**WALDEN FIRE DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**May 9, 2025**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Walden Fire District was called to order by Chairman Werner at 6:00pm.

The pledge to the flag and a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll Call: Chairman Roy Werner

Commissioner Kevin McColl

Sam Phelps

Dave Kurtz

Scott Hickey

Secretary Denise McNeely

S.H. Clerk Susan Morrison

Treasurer Diane Holbert

Chief Chic McNeely

Asst. Chief George Brown

Asst. Chief Brad Davis

Asst. Chief Jason Faso

**Minutes of May –** Chairman Werner made a motion to accept as read 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**Financial report –**Chairman Werner made a motion to accept 2nd by Commissioner McColl, carried. Statements verified by Commissioner Phelps.

**Disbursements –** Chairman Werner motioned to pay all bills, if found correct, 2nd by Commissioner Phelps, carried.

**Correspondence**- Chairman Werner made a motion to hold over to New Business 2nd by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

Received:

WFD (New member, hall request)

Kristie Hall (hall request)

**Chief’s report:**

FOR THE MONTH OF: May DATE: 06/05/2025

COMPLETED BY: Chief Charles McNeely

1. **Number and Type of Alarms** 35 calls for the month – see attached report
2. **Personnel**

-Leon Garcia resigned -moving out of the area

-Jon Gorden back in the district -given physical form and Oath of office form (FP)

-ABC’s for Eduardo Pierre, Anika Langer, Brock Morrison, Megan Ann (Jefferson Scott). All came back good.

1. **Training**

Kristie Hall & Mike Gregorio completed: Conducting Emergency Escape Systems training for company officers

See attached report

1. **Maintenance**

Sq237 at Campbell for AC repair Thursday morning till-

1. **Requests for Apparatus Leaving District**

Stand By in Warwick for their Anniversary Parade

1. **Upcoming goals**

Ampac walk through drill

***90 Day goals***

1. **Purchase Requests**
2. **Other**

Turnout gear is in and has been issued to members

Annual Dinner set for October 25th

Chairman Werner made a motion to approve to hold the annual dinner $91.00 pp at the Lake Osiris Country Club on October 25th, 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

Chairman Werner made a motion to allow the Squad to stand by in Warwick on June 14th 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**Social Hall report**:

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| Date | Contract # | Deposit | Rental | Resident | Non Resident | Member |
| 3-May | 611 | 300 | 1000 |  | X |  |
| 6-May | 667 | 200 | 800 | X |  |  |
| 9-May | 556 | 300 | 1400 |  | X |  |
| 10-May | 606 | 300 | 1000 |  | X |  |
| 17-May | 587 | 300 | 1000 |  | X |  |
| 18-May | 658 | 200 | 600 | X |  |  |
| 24-May | 608 | 300 | 1000 |  | X |  |
| 31-May | 617 | 200 | 0 |  |  | X |

Susan states that the ice machine was serviced.

Chairman Werner made a motion to keep the deposit from contract 636 due to the cleanliness and charge for an extra hour 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

Commissioner Kurtz states if we are keeping the deposit and the outside is a mess who is supposed to clean up outside, Susan states that she used to go outside until Aaron started receiving a portion of the deposit, and doesn’t fell that should be her anymore, Chairman Werner stated that Aaron doesn’t clean the outside and he was to get half the deposit for cleaning inside, Chairman Werner states that if she cleans up outside she will get half the deposit.

Commissioner McColl would like to check pricing for a street sweep service from East Coast Industrial for the parking lot.

**Old Business:**

1. **Legal Issues-** status quo
2. **Radios-** Assist Chief Faso has the demo, 2 quotes for the radio removal and installation, $9750 $8250, for all portable radios $95,483. Discussion followed regarding how many radios are needed between the apparatuses, Chiefs, Officers and Fire Police. Commissioner Kurtz requests a spreadsheet of where each radio will go.
3. **Engines for Sale-** Commissioner Kurtz states that 236 signed contracts, will be good to go after June 14th check will be mailed to the PD attention Roy, haven’t received the contract for 238 they are planning to have an independent hauler available after June 24th
4. **Bid Pavement-** received ten (10) bids from the following companies:

VanEtten $127,459.00

InterCounty $174,000.00

Ron DeGroodt $182,325.00

Boyce Excav. $200,282.00

Consorti Bros $206,900.00

Arold Const. $207,252.50

RD Paving $212,325.00

Catalyst Const. $247,275.00

Tilcon $276,230.50

WestCraft Builders $1,185,600.00

Chairman Werner made a motion to hold bids for review from the three (3) lowest bids 2nd by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

1. **Squad Steps-** Discussion followed, suggested not to have them installed.
2. **Miscellaneous-** Commissioner McColl signs have shipped**.**

**New Business:**

**Correspondence:**

**Kristie Hall-** Chairman Werner made a motion to waive the rental fee for a June 26, 2025, fundraiser dinner for Cillian McNamee 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**WFD-** Chairman Werner made a motion to allow the fire department use of the social hall for a vendor fair on December 7, 2025, as along as there are no conflicts 2nd by Commissioner Phelps, carried.

**Resolutions- none**

**New Members-** Chairman Werner made a motion to accept Edouard Pierre and Brock Morrison to membership pending ABC, physical 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**Miscellaneous-**

**Commissioner Phelps** states that the landscape bill for mulch should have been honored under the original contract.

**Chairman Werner** states that the original bid expired and the Cleaning is not under contract**.**

**Commissioner Phelps** made a motion that the Chairman makes the agenda up and puts it out the Friday before the meeting, so they have the weekend to read the agenda and prepare stuff for the meeting and if anyone wants to put anything on the agenda days prior to Friday 2nd by Commissioner McColl, Chairman Werner opposed and states point blank that he’s not guaranteeing that its going to happen.

**Chairman Werner** made a motion to put out a bid for Landscape & Snow maintenance effective for fall November1 2025 and summer of 2027 and put out a bid for cleaning 2nd by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**Public Comment-** none

**Executive Session**-none

Chairman Werner made a motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:33pm 2nd by Commissioner Phelps, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise McNeely, Secretary

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