

# WALDEN FIRE DISTRICT

## REGULAR MEETING

### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 12, 2024

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 was led by Chairman Werner. A moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

Roll Call: Chairman Roy Werner  
Commissioner Scott Hickey  
Dave Kurtz

Secretary Denise McNeely  
Treasurer Diane Holbert  
S.H. Clerk Susan Morrison  
Chief Chic McNeely  
Asst. Chief George Brown  
Asst. Chief Brad Davis  
Asst. Chief Jason Faso

Commissioner Rich McNamee- absent  
Commissioner Sam Phelps- absent

**Minutes of January reg & re-org** – Chairman Werner made a motion to accept the regular meeting minutes with a spelling correction on pg 1 and pg 2 omit surplus, Re-Org meeting accepted as read 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**Financial report** –Chairman Werner made a motion to accept 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.  
Statements verified by Chairman Werner.

**Disbursements** – Chairman Werner motioned to pay all bills, if found correct, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

**Correspondence**- Chairman Werner made motion to hold communications over to new business 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

Received: VCMS (hall use)  
WFD (New member & bylaw change)

**Chief's report:**

FOR THE MONTH OF: January 2024

DATE: 02/10/2024

COMPLETED BY: Chief Charles McNeely

**A. Number and Type of Alarms**

37 calls for the month of January see attached report for details.

**B. Personnel**

**New members**

Mason Smit – 210 South Montgomery St.

Raphael Meza -21 Glenwood dr. would be a non-resident member.

**C. Training**

1- Line Officer took Principles of Instruction

2- Line Officers are signed up for FI for the Line officer

8- Fire Police members attended a TIMS class at OCFTC

5- members are in the BEFO blended learning class

4- of the new Fire Police members have completed the Fire Police required training class

**D. Maintenance**

238 turbo replaced.

**E. Requests for Apparatus Leaving District**

**NONE**

**F. Upcoming goals**

***30 Day goals***

Purchase garage door openers.

***90 Day goals***

**G. Purchase Requests**

Equipment list was submitted for the new engines. After a discussion followed, Chairman Werner stated not to order any equipment, until they review.

Chairman Werner made a motion to purchase 12 Fire Police Badges 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

**Social Hall report:**

Date	Contract #	Deposit	Rental	Resident	Non Resident	Member	Non Profit	Waived Fee	
6-Jan	531	200	600	X					
9-Jan		200	150	X					
13-Jan	516	\$200	600	X					
14-Jan	515	\$300	1000		X				
20-Jan	530	\$300	\$1,000		X				
21-Jan	539	\$200	\$0			X			
28-Jan	523	\$200	\$600	X					

Health inspection is current. Waiting to hear back from Dayco for annual service. Would like to use a new company for work repairs, SMS Home Maintenance, the other company is not working out.

**Old Business:**

- a. **Legal Issues-** status quo
- b. **Apparatus-** Chairman Werner states they went to S Dakota, and there was an issued with 237 swaying while driving, Chairman Werner states that he zoom met with Ryan of Campbell and Shaun, made them aware once the engine is delivered a test drive on Interstate 84, if the issue is still happening we will not take delivery until its fixed. Other changes that need to be done- PTO for the generator in & out toggle switch was not user friendly \$319, the back of the chassis is just paint so it needs to have the brushed stainless on it \$3000. Light on top of the cross lays it wasn't a good design so that will be change to a strip light \$500. AM/FM radio needs a cutoff switch on the driver side \$250. The straps for the cross lay covers are tight so adding 12 inches to each side \$171. EMS compartment was made to the full height, was supposed to be change to shorter no cost, a bezzle around the master intake valve override, there's 2 holes on each side they are sharp, to avoid any injuries no cost. Chairman Werner made a motion to approve for change order 6 & 8 final change order for each rig the total is \$4240.00 each 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.
- c. **911 Memorial- no report**
- d. **Grant-** Chairman Werner states will be getting a quote for the flooring in the Social Hall on Thursday have the price on the Air packs that is what it is.

**Executive Session-**Chairman Werner motioned for an executive session at 6:13pm; pursuant to Public Officers Law Article 7 section 105 (f) for litigation issue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

Chairman Werner made a motion to open the meeting at 7:23pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

Chairman Werner advised the Chief not to order anything for the new rigs, once they are delivered to Campbell the Commissioners will decide if they take delivery of them based on the road test, once the Commissioner are satisfied with the operation of the trucks, we will proceed forward with buying equipment and setting them up from there.

**e. Misc- none**

**New Business:**

**Correspondence:**

**VC Middle School PTA-** Chairman Werner made a motion to allow use of the hall on March 22<sup>nd</sup> for a fundraiser, rental fee waived 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

**Walden Fire Dept-** Bylaw, discussion followed regarding the current bylaw language and what to change it to, Commissioner Kurtz read the bylaw of List of Officers, Chairman Werner made a motion to deny the bylaw change provided by the department and the recommendation would be to have the department review their bylaws in its entirety to add an extra captain 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> lieutenant according to the fire police.

**Resolutions- none**

**New Members-** Chairman Werner made a motion to accept Mason Smit of Walden Jr membership, Raphael Meza of Wallkill pending ABC and physical 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kurtz, carried.

**Surplus Chiefs Vehicle-** Chairman Werner made a motion to surplus 2013 chiefs' vehicle, Commissioner Kurtz would like a second opinion on the cost of repairing the breaks before posting it, will bring back next month. Larry Sager states that the Kelly Blue Value is low 6,000 high side is 8,000.

**Miscellaneous-** Commissioner Kurtz would like a bulletin board purchased for the training room, to avoid any more signs push-pinned to the wall.

Commissioner Kurtz stated that the car wash pass has been renewed.

**Public Comment- none**

Chairman Werner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:24pm 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hickey, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise McNeely, Secretary  
Walden Fire District