## October 18, 2022

The special scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Irondequoit Fire District was held at the Empire Boulevard Firehouse, 405 Empire Boulevard, in the Town of Irondequoit on October 18, 2022. In addition to the regularly scheduled monthly meeting, a special public hearing was conducted for the purpose of the 2023 budget. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by the Chairperson (noted below) who then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Attendance:

Commissioner	Present	Chairperson
Ingersoll	NOT PRESENT	
Lipari	Х	
Turner	Х	
Warth	X	Х
Zampatori	X	
Others	Present	
Chief Sessler	Х	
Captain Metcalfe	NOT PRESENT	
Deputy Treasurer Marini	X	
Administrator Mastin	NOT PRESENT	
District Secretary Riesenberger	X	

Chairman Warth reviewed the 2023 budget as well as a summary of the IFD consolidation. He also read aloud the resolution regarding the 2023 2% Property Tax Cap then opened the public hearing and reviewed the procedures. Commissioner Warth asked for any input from the public; it was noted that there was only one resident in attendance from the public. After some discussion, Commissioner Lipari motioned for public hearing to be closed. It was seconded by Commissioner Turner and closed.

# Correspondence Report

- 1. Received a property use request form from Joe Marini requesting the use of the meeting room at the Culver Road Station for a kid's holiday party on 12/17/22 9am to 3 pm. **APPROVED**.
- 2. M&T Bank Month-End Collateral Statement.
- 3. Endorsement request from Irondequoit Ambulance APPROVED.

# Treasurer Report

# Deputy Treasurer Marini / Deputy Treasurer Riesenberger Discussion/Action items:

1. None

## Informational items:

- 1. Checks will be prepared for invoices received by 10/14 and any additional invoices will be prepared prior to the 10/18 meeting.
- 2. Payroll submission for October 20<sup>th</sup> will be prepared by DS Riesenberger and will be reviewed by DT Marini. Fund transfers were completed on 10/14/2022.
- 3. The submission to the Comptroller's Office for the Tax Cap submission will be prepared and be ready to submit prior to the vote on the 2023 IFD Final Budget.
- 4. A Budget vs. Actual report for the IFD will be available at the meeting.
- 5. The RCFD unclaimed LOSAP funds were deposited into either the RCFD Trust and Agency on 10/4/22 and were transferred to the IFD account set up for these funds. McNeil has been unable to get an accurate accounting of what funds and which individuals the monies turned over are for. I have contacted First Security directly to request the documentation.

## Public Input Session

• None

# Scheduled Appointment

• None

## Career Staff/Union Report

• The Local would like to host a "meet and greet" event on October 21<sup>st</sup> with La'Ron Singletary for our members and family only. This is not to be considered a political endorsement from the IFD - **APPROVED**.

# Associations Reports

### Laurelton Volunteer Fire Association

No Report

# Ridge-Culver Volunteer Fire Association

- President Boehl reported that the floor in the Association Building is scheduled for refinishing and will be closed for about a month in November. She requested that the RCVFA be able to use the Culver Road Station meeting room for the November 30<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting, to include alcohol in the firehouse - **APPROVED**.
- The RCVFA would like to host a AAA Defensive Driving course on February 18, 2023, at the Culver Road Station meeting room **APPROVED**.
- In addition to hosting the Defensive Driving course, the RCVFA requested that the IFD fund half the cost for Active Firefighters at \$29 per person, up to 40 people, not to exceed \$1,200 APPROVED. The Association will pay the other half for all RCVFA members.

# **Operations Report**

# Chief Sessler

# **Operations:**

- 1. Request for approval of the following General Orders:
  - a. GO 250 Explorer Program APPROVED
  - b. GO 251 Explorer Adult Leadership APPROVED
  - c. GO 255 Explorer Ride Along Program APPROVED
- 2. Request to purchase 80 cotton polo shirts and winter jackets for the career firefighters, cost not to exceed \$10,000 **APPROVED**.
- 3. There were two personal vehicles that were broken in this week. Please be careful what is kept in personal vehicles.
- 4. The firehouse main phone line now rings in both fire stations and the automated phone attendant has been updated.
- 5. We've started an internal BEFO class this week, including some neighboring firefighters and it's going well.
- 6. We've requested three more MDTs for the remaining apparatus. There will be a cost and more to come on that.
- 7. Chief Sessler is working on building a succession plan for all positions. This is a work in progress.
- 8. We have been given notice that the training facility at Point Pleasant is still out of service to the IFD.

### **CRR/Explorers**

1. We continue to have many car seat requests and school fire prevention presentations.

### <u>Staff</u>

- 1. Introduced the following five new volunteer firefighters for approval:
  - a. Joe Giordano **APPROVED**.
  - b. Sam Kalis **APPROVED**.
  - c. Widalys Robles APPROVED.
  - d. Eric Yatarola **APPROVED**.
  - e. Ivan Zhekalo **APPROVED**.
- 2. VFF Troy McLymond has resigned from the IFD and RCVFA.

# Commissioners Report

# **Commissioner Ingersoll**

Buildings & Grounds / LVFA Association Liaison

• Discussed the snowplow contract for this winter and the finalized contract from RJD Property Maintenance - **APPROVED** 

### **Commissioner Lipari**

Personnel / Insurance

• No report

## Commissioner Turner

Personnel / Public Relations / Long Range Planning

• No Report

## **Commissioner Warth**

Budget / Town & County Meetings

- Presented the 2023 Proposed Budget at the Public Hearing APPROVED.
- Saint Paul FD is looking to switch to 5,500 psi SCBAs. Some discussion regarding if our cascade system will be able to fill them.
- Proposed a Resolution Requiring Nominating Petitions APPROVED. Petitions will be available soon after they come back from legal.

## Commissioner Zampatori

Equipment/Apparatus/RCVFA Association Liaison

• The captain's truck needed new brakes and Pierce trucks have been out for preventative maintenance. The PTO on the quint has been repaired.

### Old Business

• No Report

### <u>New Business</u>

• All motions noted on the following table.

	Motioned				Second							
MOTION	Ingersoll	Lipari	Turner	Warth	Zampatori	Ingersoll	Lipari	Turner	Warth	Zampatori	CARRIED	NOTES
Approval to adopt the resolution regarding the 2023 2% Property Tax Cap.					Х			Х			Х	
Approval to adopt the 2023 budget.		Х						Х			Х	
Approval to close the public hearing.		Х						Х			Х	
Approval of the minutes of the 10/3/22 meeting, after noted amendments.					х			Х			Х	
Approval to properly audit and pay the bills as submitted on or before 10/18/2022.		Х						Х			Х	
Approval for Captain Marini to host the Kid's Holiday Party at the Culver Road Station meeting room on December 17 <sup>th</sup> .					х			х			х	

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Approval for the RCVFA be able to use the Culver Road Station meeting room for the November 30 <sup>th</sup> monthly meeting, to include alcohol in the firehouse.		х						х			x	
Approval for the RCVFA to host a AAA Defensive Driving course on 2/18/23 at the Culver Road Station meeting room.			x				х				х	
Approval to fund half the cost of the Defensive Driving Course for Active Firefighters, up to 40 people, not to exceed \$1,200. The Association will pay the other half for all RCVFA members.			x				Х				х	
Approval on the following General Orders: GO 250 Explorer Program, GO 251 Explorer Adult Leadership, GO 255 Explorer Ride Along Program					x		х				х	
Approval to purchase 80 cotton polo shirts and winter jackets for the career firefighters, cost not to exceed \$10,000					x			х			х	
Approval for the following five new volunteer firefighters: Joe Giordano, Sam Kalis, Widalys Robles, Eric Yatarola and Ivan Zhekalo.					x			Х			х	
Approval for the Local to host a "meet and greet" event on October 21 <sup>st</sup> with La'Ron Singletary for our members and family only at the Culver Road Fire Station.			x							х	х	
Approval for a Resolution Requiring Nominating Petitions for BOFC 2023.				Х					Х		Х	

Motion by Commissioner Zampatori, seconded by Commissioner Turner to go into executive session for personnel reasons at 7:49pm. Returned from executive session at 8:08pm.

Motion for Adjournment: Made by Commissioner Lipari, seconded by Commissioner Zampatori at 8:10pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Rodd Riesenberger

**District Secretary** 

NEXT MEETING: Monday, November 7, 2022, at 6:30pm