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#### **April 9, 2013**

The April meeting of the Cutchogue Fire District was called to order by Commissioner Chairman Arthur Brewer, at the Cutchogue Firehouse, at 8 pm with the Flag Salute.

#### Roll call was taken as follows:

Arthur Brewer, Commissioner	Present
Robert A. Fisher, Commissioner	Present
James R. Fogarty Jr. Commissioner	Present
Joseph S. Zuhoski Jr., Commissioner	Present
Sanford Friemann, Commissioner	Excused
Peter Zwerlein, Treasurer	Present
Matthew J. Martin, Secretary	Present

Motion was in order to accept the previous minutes and treasurers' report as printed and distributed. Motion by Commr Fisher seconded by Commr Fogarty, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Zwerlein read current bills for board approval totaling \$120,357.34 and so moved by Commr Fisher seconded by Commr Zuhoski motion approved unanimously. A copy thereof is on the last page of these minutes as Attachment #1.

The Treasurer reported that the district had received the annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 from the district's accountant. Copies of all required reports have been filed electronically with the New York State Comptroller's office and the Southold Town Clerk as required by law.

#### **Correspondence:**

Letter from the Cutchogue Fire Department informing that a departmental meeting was held on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:30 PM for the purpose of nominating a Chief and 2 Assistant Chiefs for the ensuing year. Antone Berkoski was nominated as Chief of the Department followed by William Brewer for 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief and Lawrence Behr for 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief. Fred W. Kaelin Jr. was nominated for department Secretary/Treasurer.

Letters received from Suffolk County Water Authority informing that 262 feet of water main is being installed on Oak Drive, west of Broadwaters Drive; and 45 feet of water main at 25425 Main Rd. Cutchogue. SCWA is questioning the installation of fire hydrants, if needed.

A Letter from Waterway, INC, who do our hose testing, and are requesting approval to do so for the year. This year, NFPA, has added more testing and criteria for our present hose, one in particular states that all hose manufactured prior to July 1987 shall be removed from service. Appliances are to be hydrostatic tested and data recorded also a replacement for hose, nozzles and appliances based on use, age, and testing results be maintained. **Motion by Fisher, seconded by Fogarty to obtain quote, motion carried.** 

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Letter received from United Fire Co. #1 informing that Member John Cullen passed away on Feb. 22, 2013; Andrew McCaffery resigned as Trustee and Kevin Lynch was reelected as Trustee for 3-years.

Letter from Chief Berkoski stating that, as of today, Mary Manwaring is on Medical Inactive

#### **Commissioner's reports:**

Commr Brewer informed the meeting that the board has appointed the Department nominated Chief and his two Assistants at a special Board meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm. Antone Berkoski was appointed for the ensuing year along with William Brewer as 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant and Lawrence Behr as 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chiefs. Secretary/Treasurer Fredrick W. Kaelin Jr. was approved as department secretary.

Commr Brewer also informed that the new lighting fixtures have been installed in the firehouse and this modification is estimated to save the district \$3200.00 per year in electrical costs. Brighter lighting has been noticed also the need for other areas to be converted is being considered.

Boat Dock in New Suffolk requires major repairs and discussion with the dock master is underway.

Commr Fisher reported progress on district map and electronic bulletin boards and expects alarms to be on cell phones in near future. Congratulations to new chiefs.

Commr Fogarty mentioned that two water main extensions are being installed by Suffolk County Water Authority and he is reviewing the hydrant placements, if any. Congratulations to Chiefs.

Commr Zuhoski noted that 8-5-12 needs minor repairs and the Boat will be ready for service soon.

Chief Antone Berkoski's report:

#### Activities:

- 1. Well pumping April 27<sup>th</sup>
- 2. Fire school Yaphank LP gas April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 3. Water rescue meeting April 10<sup>th</sup>
- 4. Tips class April 10<sup>th</sup>
- 5. In house training April 18<sup>th</sup>
- 6. Officers meeting April 30<sup>th</sup>

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## April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 continued:

- Request: 1. Truck (8-5-3) request to Mattituck for little league parade at veteran's park, Mattituck @12:00pm, April 13<sup>th</sup>
  - 2. My computer doesn't work- needs to be looked at (never replaced)
  - 3. Repairs to boat dock in New Suffolk is needed before boat is in water.

Motion by Zuhoski, seconded by Fisher to purchase a new computer for the Chiefs desk, motion carried.

Repairs: 8512 a. Passenger exterior door handle doesn't work.

- b. Rear emergency lights and brake lights do not work.
- c. Parking break does not work
- d. Communication inside the truck needs to be totally redone. It is paramount that the driver/officer/pump operator have direct and clear communication at all times. The current system has too many flaws and is very spotty.
- e. 8-5-12 has inadequate emergency lights and sirens. During recent response to Mattituck, clearing of intersection was unsafe for crew. Drivers of vehicles do not see or hear 8-5-12 coming
- 2. Chief car trim needs to be re-fastened.

Motion by Zuhoski, seconded by Fisher to approve the chiefs' report, motion carried.

Assistant Chief Behr thanked the Board for holding the Installation Dinner and is looking forward toward working with the board and Company.

Captain Bill Burns also thanked the board and looking forward to a good working staff. He also noted that the Captain protective equipment is needed to be updated.

Rich Hartman asked if money was allocated to purchase new Life Pack 15's. Chairman informed that it was not budgeted for this year. He also advised that the battery packs are available with Lithium Ion batteries and will require a new charger. Chairman Brewer suggested that he meet with the chief to discuss these items.

Chairman Brewer asked if there was other business to come before the board and hearing none he called for adjournment and so moved at 8:52 pm.

Matthew Martin Fire District Secretary

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### Attachment No. 1

Cutchogue Fire District Abstract of Transactions For Approval April 9, 2013		
Pay To	Amount	
A.M. COMPUTER CONSULTING LLC	\$218.25	
BEHR LARRY	\$540.00	
BERKOSKI, ANTONE	\$540.00	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$335.87	
BREWER WILLIAM	\$540.00	
CAPITAL ONE, N.A. CORP. CARD	\$253.99	
COLONIAL COFFEE SERVICE	\$129.70	
CUTCHOGUE HARDWARE	\$7.20	
DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT CO	\$391.32	
DAVIS INSTRUMENTS	\$560.06	
DEB SYSTEMS LTD	\$600.00	
DELL MARKETING L.P	\$1,368.59	
EAGLE CHEVROLET	\$323.61	
EAST END SPORTING GOODS	\$615.00	
FETTEN SIGN COMPANY, INC	\$590.00	
FIRE DIST. OF NY MUTUAL INS CO	\$47,966.00	
FIREMATIC SUPPLY	\$183.88	
FOHRKOLB DAVID	\$540.00	
GRAINGER	\$52.92	
HELLO ALERT	\$193.73	
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	\$177.90	
IMPERIAL BAG & PAPER CO LLC	\$255.05	
KUSSMAUL ELECTRONICS	\$187.58	
LIPA	\$1,722.14	
LUCAS FORD LINCOLN MERCURY	\$180.54	
MARTIN C. AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY	\$204.99	
MATTITUCK SANITATION	\$261.98	
NATIONAL GRID	\$1,008.03	
NEXT PHASE THE	\$350.00	
NYS DEPT. OF CIVIL SERVICE	\$770.09	
PAYROLL	\$14,195.11	
PETRO COMMERCIAL SERVICES	\$897.04	

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REEVE AGENCY	\$41,417.24
RICHARD SECURITY, INC	\$60.00
SOUTHOLD PHARMACY	\$22.00
UNITED STATES TREASURY EFTPS	\$1,093.97
VCI EMERGENCY VEHICLE SPEC	\$321.32
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$451.10
VILLAGE OFFICE SUPPLY	\$831.14
Total bills for approval 4/9/2013	\$120,357.34