

CITY OF LOCKPORT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – OFFICIAL RECORD

Site: M-24

Tuesday, February 8th, 2022 – 4:30pm

Present: Commissioners Bates, Fogle, Marren, Michel, Morello. Also present, Provisional Chief Quagliano, DCC McGrath, Alderman Barnard, Alderman Pasceri, reporter Ben Joe, City Clerk Oates

Comm. Morello called the meeting to order at 4:35pm

- I. Reports Received
 - Motion by Comm. Bates, seconded by Comm. Marren for reports received. Ayes 5
- II. Reports Accepted
 - Motion by Comm. Bates, seconded by Comm. Michel for reports accepted. Ayes 5
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - Motion by Comm. Bates, seconded by Comm. Morello to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of Jan. 11th, 2022. Ayes 5

-Review the Chief's Agenda

- Chief Quagliano expressed condolences to the family of retired Assistant Chief Darwyn 'Larry' Coons, who passed away Jan. 24th in Florida
- Paramedic Aaron MacKenzie and AEMT John Roessler, under the direction of Assistant Chief Fredrickson, were commended for their outstanding response to a medical incident on Jan. 15th. Thanks in part to their immediate action, a person who was in cardiac arrest was able to make a full recovery
- LFD response model changes: Future 'lights and sirens' will be limited to appropriate circumstances, effective Jan. 19th
- Uniform SOP approval

-Motion by Comm. Morello, seconded by Comm. Fogle to accept the new policy as written. Ayes 5

- **Accountability SOP approval-modeled after the Niagara County plan**

-Motion by Comm. Morello, seconded by Comm. Bates to accept the new policy as written. Ayes 5

- **First Line Supervisor Training Program in NYC: A two-week version of this program has been made available in June**

-Motion by Comm. Bates, seconded by Comm. Morello for LFD to send two candidates to this program. Ayes 5

- **LEXIPOL:**

-Motion by Comm. Marren, seconded by Comm. Fogle to accept policy as LFD's governing system. Ayes 5

-Motion by Comm. Marren, seconded by Comm. Fogle to accept LEXIPOL policies and procedures, giving the Fire Chief or a designee, authority to implement. Ayes 5

- **False alarm billing: This was past practice. Average yearly estimate for false alarm billing is \$3,200. At the board's urging, Chief Quagliano will pursue restarting this practice**
- **Fire station improvement projects: No less than 13 separate projects will be submitted to the Director of Finance for consideration (list attached)**
- **Chief in codes classes: Chief Quagliano has been CEO in codes for 8 years, but has to retake all six classes by June 1st**
- **SAFER grant submitted: Grant was submitted on Feb. 3rd, for 8 positions. Hope is that it will come back before the fall academy**
- **New EMS response vehicle: A recommissioned police cruiser that could be used for first response EMS calls. The project should cost about \$2,500 and the target goal is Mar. 1st**
- **Opportunity to acquire two more ambulances: A local dealership has offered to donate a 2009 Braun with 55,000 miles. The board suggested Chief Quagliano take a look at the vehicle. A second vehicle will be available from Youngstown Fire Company this summer, but at \$25,000 is likely cost prohibitive**
- **Six candidates accepted employment offers: First day on the job will be Feb. 14th. They will spend two weeks in-house, then five of**

the six will attend the academy in Henrietta—the new location for recruit basic training—on Feb. 28th

IV. Executive Session

- **Motion at 5:38pm by Comm. Michel to enter into executive session to discuss personnel; seconded by Comm. Bates. Ayes 5**

V. End of Executive Session

- **Motion at 6:05pm by Comm. Michel to exit executive session, seconded by Comm. Fogle. Ayes 5**

-Motion by Comm. Fogle, seconded by Comm. Michel to extend the probationary period for Firefighters Daigler, Roessler, Beechler, Harrington, Bogosian, and Desabrais up to 72 weeks. Ayes 5

VI. At 6:08pm Comm. Fogle moved that the Board be adjourned, seconded by Comm. Bates. Ayes 5

The next regular meeting of the Fire Board will be held on Tuesday, March 8th, 2022 at 4:30pm.

Respectfully,

Paul K. Oates

City Clerk

CC: Fire Board, Provisional Chief Quagliano, Mayor Roman, Common Council, and Corporation Counsel