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**BLUE ROCK REGIONAL FIRE DISTRICT**

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Lancaster County, Pennsylvania  
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*Thursday September 5, 2013*

Scott Bailey

Phil Lastowski

Duane Hagelgans

Ryan Strohecker

Ted Gingrich

Dan Bezek

Ann Harach

Jay Breneman

Darrick Buswell

The September meeting was called to order at 18:05 by Scott Bailey.

A motion to approve minutes from August was made by Phil Lastowski and seconded by Dan Bezek.

No public comment.

A motion was made by Phil Lastowski to approve the report financial report, seconded by Jay Breneman.

Currently we are over budget on new equipment but we have received a grant worth \$52,000 for new computers in all vehicles.

Insurance costs are always an issue with the increase in workers compensation. Currently our operating budget is running a little under along with the building expenses. The OFC is at 66% due to loans, relief money has almost been completely spent but this is good because only certain items can be purchased out of relief and that money needs to be spent.

Our fundraising application has been approved by state and we are currently looking to send out a mailer in the spring. The support group has asked to approve the letter that will be included with the mailer.

Fire Commissioner's report: Commissioner Hagelgans discussed how some expenses have increased and some decreased. The equipment budget and insurance (7%) had an increase but equipment certification, gear repairs and replacement and fuel costs are down. We are now in a good position for having more solid budget numbers. At this time there are no big station repairs

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foreseen in the near future. Budget for the Office of the Fire Commissioner increased due to a few items. We neglected to calculate the tax portion of the payroll expenses, an increase Ann's hours and Joanne's pay rate. We are trying to pay down the R901 vehicle loan. This year we are looking to complete the radio purchases. There are ongoing Radio tower negotiations for the tower located at Station 5. This will hopefully mean more money in our pocket.

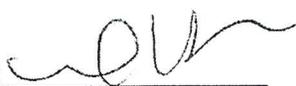
Phil Lastowski made a motion to approve the proposed budget and to the present to the township and borough for final approval. A second motion was made by Dan Bezek. A request was made to email a copy of inter-operational agreement to all board members for review. There was a discussion about the budget approval process and if any procedures need to be reviewed.

The Recruiting and Retention Committee has a few upcoming events on September 13<sup>th</sup> at the business expo at John Herr's Market and September 25<sup>th</sup> at Millersville University's Safety Day and the October Halloween parade.

Station meetings were held over the last few weeks that featured an open forum style meeting in each station. We talked about budget, personnel issues and changes, live in programs and opened it up to everyone to speak about any issue. There was some great dialogue and input on many issues present within the organization.

Motion to adjourn made by Scott Bailey and seconded by Jay Breneman at 19:35

Respectively Submitted,

By: 

Duane E. Hagelgans, Sec.