

**BLUE ROCK
REGIONAL FIRE COMMISSION
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania**

Minutes

The June 7, 2012 Meeting of the Blue Rock Regional Fire District was convened at 6:00 PM by Chairman Knapp in the District Office. In attendance were Members Bailey, Breneman, Knapp, Lastowski, May and Hagelgans. Also in attendance was Firefighter Dan Bezek.

Lastowski moved and Bailey seconded the approval of the May minutes as drafted.

There was no public comment.

With the resignation of Chairman Lauriello, the Board reorganized. Knapp moved in to the position of Chairman and by motion of Bailey, seconded by Lastowski May was voted in to the position of Vice Chairman of the Board.

Hagelgans gave an overview of the financial report. He stated that we are starting to get a better picture of this year's budget now that we have paid bills for four months. He has already solicited budget requests from the chiefs and Board of Blue Rock Fire Rescue for 2013. Hagelgans stated that the financial report continues to evolve as we add new information.

Lastowski moved and Bailey seconded the approval of the financial report.

Hagelgans stated that the District will receive a twenty thousand dollar donation towards the renovation of the bathrooms at station 903. Half of the money will be given to the District in 2012 and the remainder in 2013. A lengthy discussion was held and it was decided to move forward with the project. The low bidder was Nauman Construction. On a motion by Bailey, seconded by May, all voted and approved the renovation project.

Hagelgans also showed the board members pictures that were purchased as part of member retention program. The pictures were professionally taken and show all of the vehicles of Blue Rock Fire Rescue.

Hagelgans explained that the IT firm has been working to get the new computer system up and functional, tying all the stations together into one central server system. He also mentioned that a new air trailer will soon arrive. It was purchased with a grant from the State Fire Commissioner's Office. The University will be changing how its fire alarms are dispatched, which may mean additional calls for service to the college in the future.

A discussion was held about the capital budget and long term purchases. The District has approximately seven and half million dollars in vehicles. The District has a replacement plan for vehicles and a long term plan needs to be developed for buildings. Breneman suggested we take some of the current capital fund money and pay down the high interest loan on Rescue 901. A discussion was held and a motion was made by Breneman to use one hundred and thirty thousand dollars of the capital fund to pay down some of this loan. The motion was seconded by Bailey, all voted for an approved.

Hagelgans researched and discovered that there are no ongoing trusts with any of the fire companies. He recently received a letter about a trust for the Millersville Fire Company. May was going to review the document and discuss with the attorney handling the trust.

Lastowski asked if we are going to do a fund drive in 2012. Hagelgans mentioned that we should at least do a fund drive in the East Hempfield Township portion of our district. Breneman stated that due to the fire tax, maybe we should wait until 2013. A discussion was held on the topic and the funding of the District. Knapp stated he would get with a fund raising company to see about doing some fund raising in 2012.

At 7:05 the board went in to Executive Session.

At 7:30 the Board came out of Executive Session. The Board decided to meet with the four station chiefs and Board of Directors of Blue Rock Fire Rescue during their next meeting on July 5th.

It was moved by Bailey, seconded by Lastowski and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 PM.

Respectively submitted,

By: 
Duane E. Hagelgans, Sec.