

**YORK AREA UNITED FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

**JULY 16, 2024
APPROVED**

The York Area United Fire and Rescue Commission held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 7:04 p.m. at YAUFRR Headquarters, 50 Commons Drive, York PA

MEMBERS IN

ATTENDANCE: Dan Rooney, Chairman, Spring Garden Township
Deb McCune, Vice Chairperson, Manchester Township
Thomas Gwilt, Secretary, Spring Garden Township
Don Bishop, Treasurer, Springettsbury Township
Craig Miller, Manchester Township
George Dvoryak, Springettsbury Township

NOT PRESENT: Mark Swomley, Citizen-at-Large

ALSO IN

ATTENDANCE: Daniel Hoff, YAUFRR Chief
Jason Sabol, Solicitor
Paul Grubbs, YAUFRR
Sue Sipe, Stenographer
YAUFRR Battalion Chiefs and Firefighters

CALL TO ORDER

A. Opening Ceremony

1. Pledge of Allegiance

ROONEY Chairman Rooney called the meeting to order. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Swearing in Ceremony

HOFF Chief Hoff recognized three outstanding firefighters who recently completed 12 months of rigorous probationary training:

Firefighter Paul Dobison
Firefighter Jonathan McKinzie
Firefighter Lucas Fick

ROONEY Chairman Rooney conducted the swearing in ceremony for each firefighter.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

ROONEY Chairman Rooney announced there were no Executive Sessions held since the last meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

4. MANAGEMENT/ATTORNEY REPORTS

A. Solicitor Jason Sabol

SABOL Solicitor Sabol stated he had nothing to add to his report.

B. Daniel Hoff, Fire Chief

HOFF Chief Hoff commented on a recent fire in York City acknowledging the work YAUFRR firefighters assisted with during the incident. He noted his appreciation to Comm. Gwilt for his assistance in directing traffic during the event.

5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A. Payable Listing as of June 30, 2024

**MR. DVORYAK MOVED TO APPROVE THE PAYABLE LISTING AS OF JUNE 30, 2024.
MR. MILLER WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

6. BIDS, PROPOSALS & CONTRACTS

There were none.

7. COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONERS

GWILT Mr. Gwilt commented on his experience with directing traffic for the fire, noting being that close to a fire helped him further appreciate the work the firefighters perform.

ROONEY Chairman Rooney commented Spring Garden Township has received land for a new fire station, to replace the Grantley station, from Wellspan. He noted a joint press release is forthcoming to announce the land donation.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Volunteer Committee

GRUBBS Mr. Grubbs stated the next meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2024.

B. Personnel Committee

McCUNE Ms. McCune reported she distributed the job descriptions. The committee will meet to review them.

9. RESOLUTIONS AND AGREEMENTS

There were none.

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 18, 2024 COMMISSION MEETING

MR. MILLER MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2024 FOR THE COMMISSION MEETING AS AMENDED. MS. McCUNE WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

11. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion: YAUFR Policies

HOFF Chief Hoff indicated the YAUFR Polices are on the website.

B. Discuss/Approve: YAUFR Commission Orientation Packet

HOFF Chief Hoff stated the Orientation Packet is available on the shared Commission Documents drive. The document can be updated as necessary.

BISHOP Mr. Bishop recommended having a plan to assure new commission members obtain the information.

HOFF Chief Hoff stated he would be responsible for providing the document to new Commission members.

C. Discuss: Negotiation Committee for Local 2377 Collective Bargaining Agreement

HOFF Chief Hoff indicated the initial meeting with Local 2377 was held to discuss their issues and inform the union president that before the next meeting is scheduled, feedback from the Commission on the makeup of the Negotiation Committee is needed.

DVORYAK Mr. Dvoryak indicated this was discussed at the Springettsbury Township Board of Supervisors and the Township Manager, Mr. Hodgkinson volunteered to be on the Negotiation Committee.

Discussion was held as to the composition of the Negotiation Team, as to whether it would be beneficial to have the manager from Spring Garden on the team as well. Chief Hoff stated for the purpose of the first meeting the Negotiation Team has been Chief Hoff, Chief Blackwell and Ms. Einsig to start the process and receive the unions issues. Chief Hoff stated updates to the process would be communicated to the Commission each month up until Arbitration would occur. A lengthy discussion was held on the feasibility of having the township managers on the Negotiation Team.

MR. BISHOP MOVED TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT NEGOTIATION TEAM AS STRUCTURED CURRENTLY AND REEVALUATE IT AT THE NEXT MEETING. MR. MILLER WAS SECOND. MOTION PASSED. (1 NAY – MR. DVORYAK)

HOFF Chief Hoff will provide a report of the offer/counteroffer at the next meeting.

D. Informational

HOFF Chief Hoff stated there has been a significant response to the advertisement for the Strategic Planning RFP Plan, including out of state interests. He noted they provided information to 12-15 companies. The grant that covers part of this project needs to be closed out by early September; however, Chief Hoff will seek an extension.

12. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

13. ADJOURNMENT

ROONEY Chairman Rooney adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file at YAUFRR Headquarters

Thomas Gwilt
Secretary/ses