

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting**
Thursday, January 10, 2019, 5:15pm

The regular meeting of the City of Cortland Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 5:25p.m. By Chair Bonnie Heath.

Commission members present include, Chair Bonnie Heath, Commissioner Dale Saddlemire, Commissioner Bill Starr and Commissioner Chris Hotchkiss

Present at the meeting: D/C Wayne Friedman, D/C William Knickerbocker, FF Greg Maxwell, FF Derek Reynolds and Chris Hines

Excused: Commissioner Paul Quinlan

Public Hearing:

Request for a variance of Code of the City of Cortland Section 11-155 to allow a driveway expansion in the front yard for 64 Maple Avenue Cortland, NY.

There was no one to speak in opposition to the variance request

Commission approved the expansion with the stipulation that a barrier be placed to prevent vehicles from further expansion into the front yard. Commission indicated they would check the property for the barrier and review in 3 months.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Commissioner Hotchkiss seconded by Commissioner Saddlemire to approve the December 2018 meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hotchkiss Seconded by Commissioner Starr to approve the December 2018 Paid Staff sick report. All in favor, motion carried.

Chief Glovers Report:

- New hire Pavel Androshchuk, Pavel was a bunker and a volunteer with the City of Cortland Fire Department and also put himself through the NYS Fire Academy Recruit Training Series.
- Tyler Crandall and Andrew Stevens who both served as bunker firefighters with the department recently were hired by Horry County Fire Rescue South Carolina.
- Banquet is scheduled for next Saturday 1/19/2019

Deputy Chief Friedman Report:

- New fire engine is in at E-One in Hamburg NY. Sent a crew up to do mid-point inspection. Truck is a little behind however we knew that was going to happen.
- Staff vehicles almost complete with annual inspections and service.

BOE Report:

- Santa visited over 321 children during the "Here Comes Santa" event. Also, during the event we received a call for a structure fire and had to break off the visits. A makeup date was held to visit the houses that were missed on the original date. Overall the event went very well. The committee is planning to hold a review and make some suggestions for changes for the 2019 event.

Volunteer Updates:

- Application for Christian Vianos- approved, mentioned that he was enthusiastic
- 6 month review of Firefighter Mike Miroiu he joined company #3

Old Business:

- LOSAP- Check delivered, Charlie Sherman working on the LOSAP document.
- Cancer coverage is complete with securing McNeil and Company as the insurer. Payment has been processed for the eligible/required volunteer membership.

New Business:

- Firefighter Derek Reynolds gave a review of the events involving FF S. Zelsnack and expressed gratitude of the Zelsnack family for all that has been done.
- All members of the fire department are now getting the same physical. This is a more involved physical for some of the membership but will provide for the best screening and annual checkup.
- Commission approved the resignation of Bunker Tyler Crandall and Bunker Andrew Stevens effective 1/10/2019

Motion by Commissioner Hotchkiss, seconded by Commissioner Starr to adjourn the meeting at 5:45p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:
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