

OTTO FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING MINUTES MARCH 12, 2024

Attending: Don Girod 2024 Allison Girod, Secretary /Treasurer  
Kim Dickinson 2025 Paul Stang, President Otto VFD  
Stew Ritchie 2026 Trisha Priest, Otto Chief  
Don Sinn 2027 Paul Eder, Asst Chief 2  
Ron Neal 2028 Robert Barber Jr, Asst Chief 3

1. Motion to approve February 2024 meeting minutes : made by DonG, seconded by Kim.

2. March Treasurer's report:

	Balance 2/29/24	Interest Rate
CCB checking - #1710057912	\$2,999.59	0.05%
CCB savings – Savings #1720049483physical	\$23,334.01	0.5%
CCB savings – Contingency #1720049505	\$2,709.24	0.5%
CCB savings – Air Tanks/Turnout Gear #1720052999	\$23,334.01	0.5%
NYCLASS NY-01-1150-0002 (Contingency)	\$146,006.70	5.23%
NYCLASS NY-01-1150-0001 (Reserve)	\$112,799.99	5.23%

Bills paid

2039	USPS – 3 books stamps	\$40.80
2040	National Fuel – (estimated)	\$117.20
2041	Paul Eder – parts needed to repair firefighter helmets	\$125.28
2042	Bank of Cattaraugus – annual fee for safe deposit box 186	\$15.00
2043	Integrated Fire Protection – fire extinguisher inspection and maint.	\$164.70
2044	McKesson - Supplies to put in the Community Essentials kits	\$545.12
2045	Dival – Two pairs of interior fire boots	\$370.00

Bills to pay

2046	Promark Agencies – 2024-2025 Insurance policies	\$7,994.04
	Saia – invoices 928005598-1, 928005597-1, 928005598-1 for installation of 3 mobile radios for chiefs	\$1,607.63
	National Fuel (actual)	\$205.45
	Cattaraugus County Emergency Services – HeartSaver CPR cards	\$200.00

Motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills : made by DonS, seconded by DonG, approved.

3. Previously discussed gear: the class 3 vests have been ordered. It will be a two stage process – the vests will be sent over to Schuberts for lettering. Some will be EMS and some will be Fire.

## New Business

### 4 . Membership applications -

Warren Dickinson

Maureen Volk

Motion to approve both these people as new active members. Made by DonG, seconded by Ron, approved.

### 5. Training:

28 members attended the OSHA training on March 2.

13 members had physicals on March 11.

### 6. Chief's report:

- There were problems with the availability of tests that are required for EMTs. Two things needed are PPT tests and N95 FIT tests. Trisha will look into how these can be arranged. It was agreed that next year it would be better to host the physicals in Otto rather than in East Otto.
- There are five Otto members currently taking the EMT class.
- The chiefs proposed that the district buy a power stretcher and loader. Angela will get quotes and perhaps get a dealer to do a presentation. There is a dealer in Ellicottville.

7. Paul Stang reported that the state reporting is currently being done using lamResponding, rather than RedAlert. The district should pay for laR – it is actually cheaper than Red Alert. The Commissioners wanted to know if all the back months have been caught up. pages

8. A motion was made to acknowledge the final report, dated March 12, 2024, including 11 attached pages, as the communications of record regarding the incidents of alleged harassment from January 2014 to March 12, 2024. Made by DonG, seconded by Ron, approved unanimously.

This report will be put into the district safe deposit box.