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**MEETING MINUTES**

**September 10, 2014**

Deputy Chief Russell called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m. The following were in attendance: Deputy Chiefs Rob Russell and Al Vigliotti, Chief Fire Inspector Bill Premuroso, and Somers Volunteer Fire Department 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief Jody Leverich.

**MINUTES**

Deputy Chief Vigliotti made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 9, 2014 meeting as submitted. Deputy Chief Russell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**SUBMISSIONS**

**Avalon Bay Communities and Somers Realty Planned Hamlet Master Plan Preliminary Subdivision** – The Bureau met with Thomas Sheil, VP, Milone & McGroom; Todd Nicotra, Development Director, Avalon Bay Communities, Inc.; Janet Giris, Partner, DelBello, Donnellan, Weingarten, Wise & Wiederkehr, LLP; and Rich Williams, Insite Engineering to review site plans for Avalon Bay Communities and Somers Realty Planned Hamlet Master Plan Preliminary Subdivision. Our recommendations regarding turn radiuses, elevator dimensions, hydrant placement, unit numbering/identification and fire lanes were well received. Appropriate studies will be conducted, some modifications made and follow up will be done in the coming months. A memo will be sent to the Planning Board.

**1<sup>st</sup> ASSISTANT CHIEF'S REPORT**

Somers 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief Leverich reported on the following:

**237 Route 118** – There was an electrical fire at 237 Route 118 on September 4.

**11 Vista Drive** – A brush fire involving tires occurred at 11 Vista Drive.

**Lincoln Hall** – There was a malicious pull of one of the pull stations. In addition, there was a water condition in the administration building that leaked into the fire head causing the alarm to go off.

### **DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT**

Deputy Chief Russell reported on the following:

**Fire Alarm Permit Reports for 911** – Since all calls are now being dispatched from 60 Control in Valhalla, reports for not having a Fire Alarm Permit on file have not been kept. Chief Leverich is working on resolving this issue.

**New Ticket Books** – The new ticket books have not been ordered yet. There is a proposal to hire a part-time Code Enforcer who will also need to write tickets and the goal is to have one book which can be used by both the Building Department and Bureau.

**Hydrant Markers** – Thanks to Adam Smith for replacing the hydrant markers. The new ones look great.

Deputy Chief Vigliotti reported on the following:

**Stone Pillars** – A resident put stone pillars at the edge of their driveway and Deputy Chief Vigliotti wondered what the requirement was for the distance between them to be sure a fire truck could fit through them.

**10 Summit Circle** – There is a proposal before the Town Board for a group home at 10 Summit Circle.

**267 Route 118** – Studio 118/Kelly-Oster Irish School of Dance is now occupying where the Raceway was at 267 Route 118.

### **FIRE INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

Fire Chief Premuroso reported on the following:

**Fireworks** – An application is being prepared to have fireworks at the upcoming SHS Homecoming on September 19.

**152 Route 202** – Six violations were issued for the basement of 152 Route 202.

**63 Route 6** – The owner of 63 Route 6 is on the agenda of the September 16, 2014 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting for a Use Variance to permit a drive-through restaurant.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**ID Cards** – The Somers Volunteer Fire Department is in the process of making new ID Cards for the firefighters. Perhaps they would be willing to do the same for the Deputies. Mrs. Schirmer will follow up.

**Meeting Start Time** – Beginning with the October meeting, the start time will be changed from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The October meeting will be held on Wednesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the Building Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Schirmer, Secretary  
Bureau of Fire Prevention

cc: Bureau of Fire Prevention  
Town Board  
Town Clerk  
Planning Board  
Principal Engineering Technician  
Somers Fire District