

Organizational Meeting Lake View Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners Saturday January 3, 2015

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners: Lewis

Wicka Ross Black Brodnicki

The meeting was called to order 11:30 am with Attorney Paul Notaro presiding.

Presiding officer read the following procedure:

1. This is a public meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Lake View Fire District.

2. The Chair will entertain a motion to approve the prepared agenda subject to additional items deemed appropriate by the chair. A motion was made by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Black to approve the agenda and the following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Nominations for Chairman of the Board:

The chair will now entertain a motion for nominations of Chairman of the Board. Motion by Commissioner Wicka, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that Commissioner Lewis is appointed Chairman of the Board for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Nominations for Deputy Chairman:

The chair will now entertain a motion for nominations of Deputy Chairman of the Board. Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Wicka, that Commissioner Ross is appointed Deputy Chairman of the Board for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Aves (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

The meeting at this time was turned over to the 2015 appointed Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners,

Reading of Notice to Media and Legal Notice:

The acting Secretary advised that the notice of the meeting was sent to The Sun regarding the required notice posting of the date and time of the 2015 Organizational Meeting.

Appointment of Secretary:

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Black, that Commissioner Wicka is appointed Secretary of the Board of Fire Commissioners for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Attorney and Fee Schedule:

Motion by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, that Attorney Paul Notaro is appointed Attorney for the Lake View Fire District, retained on a per time (or retainer) basis, for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Treasurer:

Motion by Commissioner Brodnicki, seconded by Commissioner Wicka, that Jill Jewett is appointed Treasurer of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Director of Purchasing:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that Mary Wicka_is appointed Director of Purchasing of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Deputy Treasurer:

Motion by Commissioner Wicka, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that Robert Feldman is appointed Deputy Treasurer of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

The Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Purchasing & Deputy Treasurer signed the oaths of office which are witnessed by the Chairman and placed in the minutes.

Appointment of Custodian:

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, that the appointment of a custodian for the Lake View Fire District be held over until the regular meeting on January14. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

Appointment of Mechanic:

Motion by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Black, that no appointment be made at this time for the position of Mechanic for the Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Chief Fiscal Officer:

Motion by Commissioner Brodnicki, seconded by Commissioner Black, that the Treasurer be appointed Chief Fiscal Officer of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Records Access Officer:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Brodnicki, the Secretary of the Fire District be designated the Records Access Officer of the Lake View Fire District. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Appointment of Delegate to Erie County Fire District Officers Association:

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Black, that Commissioner Wicka be designated as delegate to the Erie County Fire District Officers Association and all other Commissioners be considered alternates. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Salaries for Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Purchasing Custodian & Deputy Treasurer:

Motion by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, the salaries for the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Purchasing, Deputy Treasurer and Custodian are accepted as presented in the budget prepared for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Treasurer's Surety Bond:

Motion by Commissioner Brodnicki, seconded by Commissioner Wicka, that the Surety Bond for the Treasurer be increased to the amount of moneys being held by the Treasurer of the Fire District. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Navs (0):

Designation of Banking Concern:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that the First Niagara Bank be designated the banking concerns for the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Designation of Investment Policy of the District:

Motion by Commissioner Wicka, seconded by Commissioner Black, that the Investment Policy of the Lake View Fire District will consist only of certificates of deposits, with the highest rate of interest available at the First Niagara Bank and with regard to the Service Awards Program, follow the adopted investment policy with The LOSAP Group of RBC Wealth Management for a diversified portfolio as defined in the policy statement of August 18, 1999, modified July 16, 2003 and again modified June 8, 2008. The Treasurer will give a full monthly disclosure to the Board of Fire Commissioners. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Designation of monies and legal notices

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, all moneys for the Fire District are to be sent to the Treasurer and all legal notices, papers and correspondence are to be sent to the Secretary. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Designation of Official Newspaper:

Motion by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Brodnicki, the Hamburg Sun be designated the official newspaper for the Lake View Fire District. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Navs (0):

The motion carried.

Designation of date, time and place of Regular Meetings:

Motion by Commissioner Brodnicki, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that the Regular 2015 meetings of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Lake View Fire District, will be held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Charles A. Spittler, Sr. Meeting Room, Lake View Fire Station #1, subject to change upon notification. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

Designation Member Association Dues:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that the 2015 annual dues be paid to the following:

- Association of Fire Districts of the State of N.Y.
- Erie County Fire District Association
- International Fire Chiefs Association
- Fire Association of the State of New York
- Erie County Fire Chiefs Mutual Aid Organization
- J-Fire Program of Erie County
- All other member Associations

The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Designation of mileage for 2015:

Motion by Commissioner Wicka, seconded by Commissioner Black, that the mileage rate for the Lake View Fire District will be 56 cents per mile for the year 2015. And in the event a new standard is set by the Government Service Administration (GSA) at a later date the new standard will be recognized. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Acceptance of Chief:

Motion by Commissioner Ross, with a unanimous second, that the Board of Fire Commissioners accepts Mark Szczepanik as Chief of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

The Secretary administered the Oath of Office to the Chief Szczepanik.

Acceptance of Junior Slate of Officers:

The letter from Chief Szczepanik advising of the members elected as line officers for the year 2015 was read by the secretary into the record. A motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that the Board of Fire Commissioners accepts the Junior Slate of Officers for the year 2015 and as approved by the Chief. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

Acceptance of First Assistant Chief:

Motion by Commissioner Brodnicki, with a unanimous second, that the Board of Fire Commissioners accepts Keith Hauser as First Assistant Chief of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Acceptance of Second Assistant Chief:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, with a unanimous second, that the Board of Fire Commissioners accepts Matthew Jurek as Second Assistant Chief of the Lake View Fire District for the year 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Swearing in of Asst. Chiefs

The Secretary for the Fire District administered the oath of office to the Assistant Chiefs for the year 2015.

The Chairman advised the Responsibilities of Office for all officers will be explained at a future meeting with all the commissioners and line officers.

Purchase Authorization:

Motion by Commissioner Wicka, seconded by Commissioner Black, that the only persons authorized to charge material and/or equipment for the Lake View Fire District, for the year 2015, shall be a Fire Commissioner, a Chief, Treasurer, Director of Purchasing and custodian. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Credit Card Authorization Resolution:

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Wicka, that the Board re-adopts the Credit Card Policy for the Lake View Fire District (see separate attachment). The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Review and Adoption of Code of Ethics:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that the Board adopts the Code of Ethics for the Lake View Fire District (see separate attachment). The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Navs (0):

Review of Purchasing Policy of Materials and Equipment:

Motion by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Wicka, that the Board adopts the Resolution prepared regarding the Procurement Policy for the Lake View Fire District (see separate attachment) and a roll call vote was requested. The following vote was taken:

Lewis Yes
Wicka Yes
Ross Yes
Black Yes
Brodnicki Yes
The motion carried.

Review of the Record Books of the Treasurer:

Motion by Commissioner Brodnicki seconded by Commissioner Lewis, that a review of the record books of the Treasurer be conducted at the regular board meeting to be held February 2015. The following vote was taken:

Ayes (5): Lewis, Wicka, Ross, Black, Brodnicki

Nays (0):

The motion carried.

Chairman's Appointments:

The Chairman appointed Commissioner Brodnicki as the responsible contact for the mechanical operations of both fire stations for the year 2015

The Chairman appointed Commissioner Ross as the responsible contact for the fire station #2 for the year 2015.

The Chairman appointed himself as the responsible contact for fire station #1 for the year 2015.

The Chairman appointed Commissioner Black as the responsible contact for the motor vehicles belonging to the fire district for the year 2015.

The Chairman appointed Commissioner Wicka responsible for monthly reconciliation of the credit card account and statements for fire district for the year 2015.

The Chairman appointed the Deputy Treasurer a as the responsible person for reviewing and auditing the bank accounts and statements for the year 2015.

Authorization for Deputy Treasurer to assist Secretary:

Motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Ross, that the Board approves that the Deputy Treasurer will assist with the duties of the Secretary in his absence, A Roll Call Vote was requested. The following vote was taken:

Lewis Yes
Wicka Yes
Ross Yes
Black Yes
Brodnicki Yes
The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, John R. Wicka			
Commissioner/Secretary			

ADJOURNMENT:

8RESOLUTION LAKE VIEW FIRE DISTRICT FIRE DISTRICT CREDIT CARD POLICY

WHEREAS the Lake View Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners adopted a Credit Card Policy in May 2014 for the purpose of defining the use of the rules regarding Fire District issued credit cards, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that by resolution the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby re-adopts the policy on credit card use to include the following:

The program limit for the Lake View Fire District is \$35,000.00 and the individual card limits will be as follows:

- Fire District Secretary/Commissioner; \$5,000
- Fire District Commissioner (4); \$3,000
- Fire District Treasurer: \$3,000
- Fire District Purchasing Director; \$3,000
- District Chief; \$3,000
- 1st Asst. Chief; \$3,000
- 2nd Ass6. Chief; \$3,000
- Fire District Custodian; \$3,000

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the one (1) Fire District Fire Commissioner shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, at the designated Annual Organization Meeting, to be the Credit Card Administrator of the Lake View Fire District with the responsibility and authority of reviewing all credit card purchases and statements and preparing a monthly accounting of said purchases for the purpose of determining the appropriateness of the purchase and further, determining the proper accounting budget assignment

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following program requirements are hereby adopted and this policy will be reviewed and adopted annually at the Annual Organizational meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

APPLICATION

- 1. The District shall maintain ONE ACCOUNT with First Niagara Bank for credit cards.
- 2. District issued credit cards are to be used ONLY for official Fire District business.
- 3. Credit card purchases by card holders other than a Fire Commissioner, Purchasing Director or Treasurer must
- 4. All receipts for credit card purchases must be attached to a Fire District Credit Card Use Report and submitted to the Board of Fire Commissioners for payment approval. Receipts must detail all charges including the name of the individual who incurred the charge, the reason for the charge and the amount of the charge.
- 5. District issued credit cards are NOT to be used for the purchase of alcoholic beverages.
- 6 Personal Responsibility—the individual incurring the costs who fails to comply with District procedures will be personally responsible for all sums charged. Any charges made on District credit cards that do not have proper supporting documentation and detail will be paid by the individual, not the district.
- 7 If a charge is determined to be an inappropriate or unauthorized Fire District charge, or if adequate documentation of the charge is not submitted to show it to be an authorized District charge, the individual responsible for the charge will be expected to pay said charge within thirty (30) days of the District's receipt of invoice from the credit card company.
- 8 (If individual is a paid employee.) In the event payment is not received, the District reserves the right to recover unauthorized or personal charges from the individual via payroll deduction. The employee will be notified in advance that a deduction will be made from his or her next payroll check.
- 9 All credit card users have the responsibility to notify both the Credit Card Company and the District Treasurer immediately, in the event the that the card is lost or stolen. The First Niagara Bank customer service number is 1-800-626-0900.

10 Expenditures in excess of \$500.00 on the District credit card must be pre-approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners.

This resolution is set to motion by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Wicka with the following roll call vote:

Commissioner Lewis Yes
Commissioner Wicka Yes
Commissioner Ross Yes
Commissioner Black Yes
Commissioner Brodnicki Yes

This motion was approved.

John R. Wicka Commissioner/Secretary January 3, 2015

THE LAKE VIEW FIRE DISTRICT CODE OF ETHICS

The Lake View Fire District of the Town of Hamburg, County of Erie, hereby adopts the following Code of Ethics setting forth for the guidance of its officers and employees the standards of conduct reasonably expected of them.

PART I DEFINITIONS

- 1. "Contract" means any claim, amount or demand against or agreement with the Fire District, express or implied, and shall include the designation of a depository of public funds and the designation of a newspaper, including but not limited to an official newspaper, for the publication of any notice or resolution or other proceeding where such publication is required or authorized by law.
- 2. "Interest" means a direct or indirect pecuniary or material benefit accruing to a Fire District officer or employee as the result of a contract with the Fire District which such officer or employee serves. For the purpose of this Code of Ethics, a Fire District officer or employee shall be deemed to have an interest in the contract of (A) a spouse, minor child or dependent, except a contract of employment with the Fire District which such officer or employee serves, (B) a firm partnership or association of which such officer or employee is a member or employee, (C) a corporation of which such officer or employee is a officer, director or employee, and (D) a corporation of which any stock is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by such officer or employee.
- 3. "Officer or Employee" means a Fire District Commissioner, Fire District Secretary, Fire District Treasurer, Fire District Deputy Treasurer, Fire District Director of Purchasing, Fire District Chief, Fire District Assistant Chief and employees of the Fire District. No person shall be deemed to be a Fire District Officer or Employee solely by reason of being a volunteer firefighter, except a Fire Chief or Assistant Fire Chief.

PART II CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- 1. No officer or employee of the Fire District shall have any interest in any contract with the Fire District of which he or she is an officer or employee, when such officer or employee, individually or as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners, has the power or duty to negotiate, prepare, authorize or approve the contract or authorize or approve payment there under.
- 2. No officer or employee of the Fire District shall audit bills or claims under a contract in which such officer or employee has an interest.
- 3. No officer or employee of the Fire District who has an interest in a contract shall appoint an officer or employee who shall have the power to negotiate, prepare, authorize or approve such contract or authorize or approve payment there under or audit bills or claims under such contract.
- 4. No Fire District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer shall have an interest greater than 5% of the outstanding stock in a bank or trust company designated as a depository, paying agent, registered agent or for investment of funds of the Fire District of which he or she is Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer.

PART III DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Any Fire District officer or employee who has, will have, or later acquires an interest in any actual or proposed contract with the Fire District of which he or she is an officer or employee, shall publicly disclose the nature and extent of such interest in writing to the Board of Fire Commissioners as soon as he or she has knowledge of such actual or prospective interest. Such written disclosure shall be made part of the Fire District minutes. Once disclosure has been made with respect to an interest in a contract with a particular person, firm, corporation or association, no further disclosures need be made with respect to additional contracts with the same party during the remainder of the year.

PART IV PROHIBITED ACTIONS

- 1. No Fire District officer or employee shall, directly or indirectly, solicit any gift, or accept or receive any gift in the performance of his or her official duties that was intended as a reward for any official action on his or her part.
- 2. No Fire District officer or employee shall disclose confidential information acquired in the course of official duties or use such information to further his or her personal interest.
- 3. No Fire District officer or employee shall receive or agree to receive compensation from others for services to be rendered in relation to any matter pending before the Board of Fire Commissioners.

PART V MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. A copy of this code, as adopted by resolution of the Fire District, shall be distributed to every officer and employee of the Fire District.
- 2. A copy of this code, as adopted by resolution of the Fire District, shall be filed in the Office of the State Comptroller.

Adopted by Board of Fire Commissioners of the Lake View Fire District on January 3, 2015.

Attest: John R. Wicka, Secretary Lake View Fire District

PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR THE LAKE VIEW FIRE DISTRICT

At the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Lake View Fire District, held in the Charles A. Spittler, Sr. Conference room located at Fire Station #1, 2005 Lakeview Rd., Town of Hamburg, County of Erie, State of New York on the 3rd day of January, 2015, duly adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 104-b of the General Municipal Law requires the governing body of every municipality to adopt a procurement policy for all goods and services which are not required by law to be publicly bid, and

WHEREAS, comments have been solicited from all officers in the Lake View Fire District involved in the procurement process, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Lake View Fire District does hereby adopt the following procurement policy which is intended to apply to all goods and services which are not required by law to be publicly bid.

PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR THE LAKE VIEW FIRE DISTRICT

- Every purchase to be made must be initially reviewed to determine whether it is a purchase contract or a public works contract. Once that determination is made, a good faith effort will be made to determine whether it is known or can reasonably be expected that the aggregate amount to be spent on the item of supply or service is not subject to competitive bidding, taking into account past purchases and the aggregate amount to be spent in a year. The following items are not subject to competitive bidding pursuant to Section 103 of the General Municipal Law: purchase contracts under \$10,000 and public works contracts under \$20,000; emergency purchases; certain municipal hospital purchases; goods purchased from agencies for the blind or severely handicapped; goods purchased from correctional institutions; purchases under State and County contracts; and surplus and second-hand purchases from another governmental entity. The decision that a purchase is not subject to competitive bidding will be documented in writing by the individual making the purchase. This documentation may include written or verbal quotes from vendors, a memo from the purchaser indicating how the decision was arrived at, a copy of the contract indicating the source which makes the item or service exempt, a memo from the purchaser detailing the circumstances which led to an emergency purchase, or any other written documentation that is appropriate.
- All goods and services will be secured by use of written requests for proposals, written quotations, verbal quotations, or any other method that assures that goods will be purchased at the lowest price and that favoritism will be avoided, except in the following circumstances: purchase contracts over \$20,000ⁱ and public works contracts over \$35,000ⁱⁱ; goods purchased from agencies for the blind or severely handicapped pursuant to Section 175-b of the State Finance Law; goods purchased from correctional institutions pursuant to section 186 of the Correction Law; purchases under State contracts pursuant to Section 104 of the General Municipal Law; purchases under county contracts pursuant to Section 103(3) of the General Municipal Law; or purchases pursuant to subdivision 6 of this policy.

The following method of purchase will be used when required by this policy in order to achieve the highest savings:

Estimated amount if purchase contract method

\$250 to \$2,999	2 Verbal Quotations	
\$3,000 to \$19,999	2 Written/Fax quotations or written requests for proposals (RFPs)	

Estimated amount of Public Works Contract method

\$250 to \$2,999	2 Verbal Quotations
\$3,000 to \$9,999	2 Written/fax quotations or written Request for Proposals (RFPs)
\$10,000 to \$34,999	3 Written/fax quotations or written Request for Proposals (RFPs)

A good faith effort shall be made to obtain the required number of proposals or quotations. If the purchaser is unable to obtain the required number of proposals or quotations, the purchaser will document the attempt made at obtaining the proposals. In no event shall the failure to obtain the proposals be a bar to the procurement.

- 4 Documentation is required of each action taken in each procurement including completing a Purchase Requisition and or a Purchase Order
- Documentation and an explanation are required whenever a contract is awarded to other than the lowest responsible offer or. This documentation will include an explanation of how the award will achieve savings or how the offer or was not responsible. A determination that the offerer or is not responsible shall be made by the purchaser and may not be challenged under any circumstances.
- Pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 104-b (2)(f), the procurement policy may contain circumstances when, or types of procurement for which, in the sole discretion of the governing body, the solicitation of alternative proposals or quotations will not be in the best interest of the municipality. In the following circumstances it may not be in the best interests of the Fire District to solicit quotations or document the basis for not accepting the lowest bid:
 - a) Professional services or services requiring special or technical skill, training or expertise. The individual or company must be chosen based on accountability, reliability, responsibility, skill, education and training, judgment, integrity and moral worth. These qualifications are not necessarily found in the individual or company that offers the lowest price and the nature of these services are such that they do not readily lend themselves to competitive procurement procedures.

In determining whether a service fits into this category the Board of Fire Commissioners shall take into consideration the following guidelines:

- (1) whether the services are subject to State licensing or testing requirements;
- (2) whether substantial formal education or training is a necessary prerequisite to the performance of the services; and

(3) whether the services require a personal relationship between the individual and municipal officials.

Professional or technical services shall include but be limited to the following: services of an attorney; services of an physician; technical services of an engineer engaged to prepare plans, maps, and estimates; securing insurance coverage and/or services of an insurance broker; services of a certified public accountant; investment management services; printing services involving extensive writing, editing or artwork; management of municipally owned property; Computer software or programming services for customized programs, or services involved in substantial modification and customizing of prepackaged software.

- b) Emergency purchases pursuant to Section 103(4) of the General Municipal Law. Due to the nature of this exception, these goals or services must be purchased immediately and a delay in order to seek alternate proposals may threaten the life, health, safety or welfare of the residents. This section does not include alternate proposals if time permits.
- c) Purchases of supplies and second-hand goods from any source. If alternate proposals were required, the Fire District may be precluded from purchasing surplus and second-hand goods at auctions or through specific advertised sources where the best prices are usually obtained. It is also difficult to try to compare prices of used goods and a lower price may indicate an older product.
- d) Goods or services under \$250. The time and documentation required to purchase through this policy may be more costly than the item itself and would therefore not be in the best interest of the taxpayer. In addition, it is not likely that such de minims contracts would be awarded based on favoritism.
- 7. In accordance with provisions enacted by New York State General Municipal Law, (Section 103, 1, 16) effective November 3,2013, the Lake View Fire District may make purchases of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, or to contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies. may make such purchases, or may contract for such services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies, as may be required by such political subdivision or district therein through the use of a contract let by the United States of America or any agency thereof, any state or any other political subdivision or district therein if such contract was let to the lowest responsible bidder on the basis of best value and made available for use by other governmental entities exclusively therein, may make such purchases or contract for such services through the use of such a contract let on the basis of bests value in a manner consistent with this section. iii

This policy shall go into effect on the 3rd day of January 2015, and will be reviewed annually.

Michael F. Lewis, Commissioner

W. David Ross, Commissioner

Kyle R. Brodnicki, Commissioner

ⁱ Became effective 6/22/10

[&]quot;Became effective 11/12/2009

iii. Became effective 1/4/2014