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Special Meeting  
Delanson Fire Company  
March 19, 2014

1. PLEASE STAND FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:40PM  
All Present: Mayor Gifford, Trustee O'Connor, Trustee Grenier (excused), Clerk Holbrook, Chief Morrison, Tim Deffer, Sally Burns, Bob Flower, Sr., Christine Nicolella
3. Mayor Gifford gave an overview of information recently obtained by NYCOM outlining the obligations of the Village Board with regard to the fire department. Trustee O'Connor explained how this initial information led to further research into the laws that govern Volunteer Fire Departments. All information was shared with the Fire Department as it was obtained.
4. Discusson: OSHA training standards, recent changes in State Laws and membership residency percentages. Tim Deffer, Chief of Esperance VFD, offered some insight with regard to his departments relationship with Board members and similar membership residency issues.

Chief Morrison supplied current training certificates for members and indicated he is looking into who needs training and has already scheduled 2 firefighter 1 courses. He has also taken advantage of the training courses offered by NBT Insurance, carriers of the Volunteer Benefit Insurance.

Trustee O'Connor discussion on recruitment and the requirements. Applicants need to pass a physical, an arson check is completed and this needs to be completed prior to being voted in as a new member. Kevin said they will be set up at Duanesburg Days and will host a NY RECRUITS open house on April 26<sup>th</sup> to encourage more resident membership.

Christine Nicolella commented that we have a good fire company and felt they respond appropriately. She provided information on ways of writing Bylaws that would be beneficial and offered to help. Discussion on updating Bylaws followed.

Board agreed it would not be necessary to appointment of a Board of Fire Commissioners, also the Board would like quarterly reports and numbers presented

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Mayor Gifford made motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee O'Connor  
Adjournment 7:42pm