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Honorable Joanne Cunningham
Legislative Chairwoman
112 State Street, Room 710
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Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

The attached correspondence is forwarded for presentation to the Albany County Legislature.

Legislative approval is requested to replace two (2) current Fire Advisory Board Members. William Borger the Town of Bethlehem representative will be replaced by Craig Sleurs. William Rice the Green Island representative will be replaced by Edmund Seney Jr. Their resumes are attached for your review.

Should there be any questions, do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig D. Apple, Sr.", written over the typed name and title.

Craig D. Apple, Sr.
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Cc: Hon. Daniel P. McCoy, County Executive
Hon. Wanda F. Willingham, Deputy Chairwoman

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Slingerlands Fire Departments- 1992 to Present

I have been chief of the department since January 1, 2019, working my way through the ranks as Fire Fighter, Lieutenant, Captain, and Assistant Chief. I have also served as the Department President. Within the role of Chief, I am accountable to the Board of Fire Commissioner and am responsible for over \$150,000.00 in budgeted monies. The district has a comprehensive Procurement and Investment Policy that I am required to follow. There are 35 plus members of the department as well as 2 Engine/tankers, 1 Rescue Truck, 1 Brush truck, a Fire Police Vehicle, and multiple other trailers and a UTV. In addition to the members and the apparatus I am responsible for all our equipment. We are aggressive with the annual testing of all equipment and gear. Our members are required to have an annual physical and fit test, this can often lead to reclassification of fire fighters. Under my leadership we have built strong relationships with our surrounding departments during mutual aid calls, as well as training with them. Always trying to better each department in firefighting and rescue skills.

First Responder Lawn Care and Plowing- 2021 to Present

Handling multiple accounts to provide lawn care as well as plowing service. Working with residents of the county, specifically the elderly, to make sure that they are getting a fair price for lawn care work and plowing.

Town of Bethlehem Police Department- 2000 to 2021-

At the department I served as a police officer, traffic safety officer and traffic safety investigator. I also served as a Fire Investigator, Level II certification, Traffic Investigation with certifications up to advance crash investigations. I was a member of the Capital District Forensic Hazmat Team. One of my favorite roles was Child Passenger Safety Seat Technician, I would meet and talk with parents about the safest way to seat their children in their vehicle so that they do not get hurt in a car crash. In my years before retirement, I served as the assistant to the Chief of Police responsible for handling and paying purchase orders within the police department. This required me to work with the Police Department Budget and line items. I also worked with the Albany County Stop DWI Program to fight against impaired drivers to make our roads safer. I also worked with the Town of Bethlehem Traffic Safety committee on local issues within the town.

Albany County Sheriff's Department- 1996-2000	Deputy Sheriff
Altamont Police Department 1993-1996	Corporal, Police Officer/EMT
Town of Bethlehem- 1988-1993	Animal Control Officer
Delmar Fire Department- 1985-1992	Fire Fighter

Fire Fighting Certifications and references available upon request.

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Objective: Albany County Fire Advisory Board

Professional Experience

March 2024-Present **Green Island Fire department**
Deputy Chief, Officer in Charge
Duties include but not limited to, Overall supervision of firefighters and officers of the Green Island Fire Department. Record maintenance and retention. Operations and scene supervision, with utilization of National Incident Management System operating within a three-department automatic aid system. Departmental training, both fire -matic, and emergency medical care. Budgetary preparation and adherence. Payroll, and scheduling of eight full time employees.

April 2018-September 2019, March 1022- Present **Green Island Police Department**
Police Officer, Patrol Division
Duties include, but not limited to response to various emergency and non-emergent calls for service, enforce local, penal, civil, Vehicle and traffic, and any other appropriate statute. Within the confines of Green Island NY.
Further duties include, investigation of situations as needed, court testimony, victim services, and safe operation of departmental vehicles. Responsible for Datamaster, Radar, and PSD testing and maintenance. Write and administer New York State GTSC Traffic safety grants.

September 2016 – April 2018, September 2019-March 2022 -**Town of Coeymans Police Department**
Detective (2020)
Duties include, but not limited to criminal investigations, death investigations, crime scene photography and evidence collection, Interview and interrogation, obtain statements/depositions from witnesses and suspects. Sex Offender Registry Officer, warrant applications, entry, diligence and execution, evidence entry, recording, storage and disposition. Transferred all existing evidence into BEAST management system.

Police Officer, Patrol Division
Duties include, but not limited to response to various emergency and non-emergent calls for service, enforce local, penal, civil, Vehicle and traffic, and any other appropriate statute. Within the 65 square mile confines of the Town of Coeymans NY.
Further duties include, investigation of situations as needed, court testimony, victim services, and safe operation of departmental vehicles.

April 2018-September 2019 **Green Island Police Department**
Police Officer, Patrol Division
Duties include, but not limited to response to various emergency and non-emergent calls for service, enforce local, penal, civil, Vehicle and traffic, and any other appropriate statute. Within the confines of Green Island NY.

Further duties include, investigation of situations as needed, court testimony, victim services, and safe operation of departmental vehicles.

June 1990 – August 2016 **City of Albany Department of Fire and EMS**

Deputy Chief

Command Staff member of 286-member, high volume Fire and EMS department averaging approximately 23,000 calls annually, 17,000 of which are EMS both advanced and basic life support calls. Duties include Overall supervision of the Division of Training and Safety, Duties include but not limited to Overall supervision of department wide training both Fire and EMS based. Overall supervision of Hazardous Materials training and operations, Supervision of emergency incidents throughout the City of Albany, including Fire, EMS and major incidents of various natures, as incident commander, utilizing the national incident management system.

Procured and implemented electronic patient charting, managed American Heart Association training center as training Center coordinator, created and implemented new employee scheduling, supervised collaborative paramedic academy in conjunction with Hudson Valley community college held on premises at the Albany Fire Department headquarters. Member of the Regional Emergency Medical Organization Academic committee and REMAC, sitting member of Capital region four County regional hazardous materials team,

Lieutenant, September 1999 – October 2014

Supervisory position on various fire-based apparatus providing fire suppression and Basic and Advanced Life support emergency medical services.

November 2003 – Present **Public Safety Solutions**

President

Provide personalized consulting and training for fire and EMS departments.

September 2000- August 2017 **Albany County Sheriffs Department ALS**

Paramedic Supervisor

Provide advanced life support care in suburban and rural Albany County; as well as, supervising staff paramedics and EMTs.

July 2006 – November 2007 **Moreau Emergency Squad**

Paramedic

Provided basic and advanced life support modalities.

August 2005- June 2006 **Ravena Rescue Squad**

Chief of Operations

Established and implemented paid staffing; trained and scheduled both paid and volunteer staff; ordered and maintained supply stock. Implemented new protocols. Maintained an open and progressive working relationship with local government heads, police and fire departments. Ensured all state and local EMS doctrines were adhered to.

March 2004- May 2005 **W.F. Bruen Rescue Squad**

Paramedic

Provided advanced life support care.

January 2002- March 2004 **W.F. Bruen Rescue Squad**

Chief / Advanced Life Support Coordinator

Duties included, but not limited to, ensuring a smooth and well-prepared response to all emergency medical calls in the town of East Greenbush NY. Responsible for personnel, scheduling, payroll, budgeting, employee relations and training, along with purchasing and inventory of all medical supplies and medications. Ensured OSHA compliance; maintained current and updated MSDS for all chemicals stored on premises. Wrote and enacted the Standard Operating Guide pursuant to state and federal mandates. Oversaw the QA/QI program for the agency. Some other notables during my tenure was establishment and implementation of OSHA mandated blood borne pathogen and TB occupational exposure plan; implementation of and training in basic life support Epinephrine and Albuterol administration for EMT's; HIPPA compliance and doctrine; the initiation and running of a medical billing program and revenue recovery; Implementation of the Mark 1 program to treat patients in a post bio-terrorism attack; and EMS training for public and private groups, both civic and other.

November 2000 – June 2002 **Guilderland EMS**

Paramedic

Provided advanced life support.

February 1998- September 2000 **Community Emergency Corps**

Paramedic

Provided basic and advanced life support

June 1999- July 2001 **H.V.C.C. Institute of Prehospital Emergency Medicine.**

Lab Instructor

Supervised and assisted paramedic students in an educational lab setting.

March 1996 – 2001 **Greenport rescue Squad**

EMT/Paramedic

Provided advanced and basic life support along with transportation of patients.

May 1989- June 1990 **Troy Housing Authority, Department of Public Safety**

Peace Officer

Patrolled all housing authority properties and enforced all NYS penal and vehicle and traffic regulations and laws.

August 1988 – June 1990 **Capital District Ambulance Service**

EMT

Provided patient care for basic life support, under emergent and nonemergency conditions.

May 1986 – August 1988 **Rensselaer County Sheriffs Department.**

Corrections Officer

Ensured the safety and security of operations for the Rensselaer County Correctional Facility through direct inmate supervision.

December 1984- May 1986 **Troy Ambulance Service**

EMT

Provided basic life support and transport under emergent and non emergent conditions.

August 1984- December 1984 **Mohawk Ambulance Service**

EMT

Provided basic life support and transport under emergent and non emergent conditions.

Training and Notables

Zone 14 Law Enforcement Academy Sept 2016-April 2017

Attended and successfully completed the above, a New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services Basic Academy for Police Officers, with a 649 hour minimum requirement.

REMO Certified Advanced Airway Instructor 2005

Medication Facilitated Intubation Certification June 2004

May 2003 EMS Administration Academy

A course designed for the EMS administrator with several online supervisory and administrative courses, along with two weekend seminars with course study ranging from budget writing to intrapersonal communication, and management.

February 2001 First line Supervisors Training School

I attended the above 160-hour course at the New York City Fire Dept. training division. The course of study entailed a wide range of areas in the supervision and training including but not limited to, educational methodology, fire instructor 1 and 2, and a wide area of supervisory issues including EEO training

- Assisting Persons in Crisis Mental Health Response School 2021
- IDC General Topics Instructor 2017
- Investigators School 2021
- Bicycle Patrol Officer Certified 2018
- Basic Investigative Photography 2020
- Police Crime Scene and Evidence Specialist Course 2021
- Evidence and Property Management 2019
- CRASE Instructor Certification 2018
- Active Attack Integrated Response Course 2018
- Standard Field Sobriety Testing certified 2017
- Radar/ Lidar operator certification 2017
- Datamaster Certification (BAO) 2017
- Tactical Medic Training Course, NYSP and Albany PD 2013
- NIMS 100, 200, 300 & 700
- Incident Safety Officer 2004
- NYS certified Paramedic 1999 - 2018
- Hazardous Material Technician 1997
- Incident command 1997
- Rescue Operations 1993
- Emergency Vehicle Operations 1999
- Accident Victim Extrication 1990
- Radiation Safety 1990
- Rescue Skills and Techniques 1990
- Suicide Prevention and Crisis Intervention 1987
- Current certified New York State EMT

Notables

- Awarded top Academic Recruit Zone Fourteen Law Enforcement Academy
- Awarded Outstanding Overall Recruit Zone Fourteen Law Enforcement Academy
- REMO Paramedic of the year 2002
- PFIA Hero's hall of fame 1993
- Several assorted citations
- Twice Awarded Bronze medal of Valor by the Albany Fire Department
- Awarded Meritorious Service/ Lifesaving award Albany Fire Department.
- Wide and varied Emergency service history, with many contacts throughout the profession.

References available on request