

*Montauk Fire District  
August 23, 2017*

*MINUTES*

*Commissioners Workshop Meeting 19:00 hours*

**Commissioners Present:** Joseph Dryer, Chairman  
Carmine Marino  
Michael Mirras  
Richard Monahan  
Richard Schoen

**Also Present:** 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Dave Ryan and Secretary/Treasurer Dawn Lucas

**Call Meeting to Order:**

Chairman Dryer called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Secretary's Report:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve the August 8, 2017 Commissioner Meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

**Time Off Request:** Chairman Dryer read the time off request for Rex for August 25, 2017. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

**Building Use Request:** Ms Lucas read the requests, Rough Riders Landing HOA submitted requests for September 3, 2017 for use of the Commissioners room and October 28, 2017 for use of Commissioner room and Meeting Room. Check was received for both dates. Commissioner Marino motioned to approve request; seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.

**Audit of Bills:** Ms. Lucas read aloud invoices totaling: \$ 36,039.31 (see attached journals). Commissioner Marino motioned to approve payment of the invoices totaling \$36,039.31, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried. Commissioner Monahan just wanted to make sure we do not put off getting a new 9-3-80 this coming year, just had a \$3,600 repair bill for the ABS brakes and thinks our repairs will not get any better. Commissioner Mirras said its in the budget to get a new one come January 1, 2018.

**Workshop topics:**

- Commissioner Mirras discussed the Van, took it to a competition and noticed there was duct tape on the windshield. It turned out someone took the molding out. Commissioner Mirras stated we have enough money in the budget to replace both 9-3-80 and the Van come January 1, 2018. Also after discussing with Chief Valcich at our last meeting, 9-3-1 we can hold off another 3 years and the oldest ambulance another year. We need to talk to the chief to see in the next 4-5years what truck he thinks will need replacing. We want to proactive about this.
- **Budget-** Commissioner Mirras discussed that there are no changes from last time, if you look at last page total budget of \$2,672,418.00 hasn't changed. Before we can adopt the budget we need to make a

resolution that we are going to bust the property tax cap of 1.84%. Chairman Dryer asked about the Fire protection money, do we know what is going on with it. Commissioner Schoen explained we sent them our final numbers and now we just have to wait and see if they have accepted. They do their budget around same time we do ours. If they proposed our numbers, its probably going to be passed. Commissioner Marino just wanted to make us aware of the utilities for the budget, might need to adjust for future usage since the power supply charges have gone up since last year at same time.

- ***Paid First Responder Program***- Commissioner Mirras discussed a situation that arose about a grill fire. If the fire is out and dispatch knows, is it OK for the first Responder to get on radio and tell dispatch to proceed with caution. As a liability standpoint, Commissioner Mirras feels its OK to do. First responders asked about 9-3-80 on beach, its not designed for that but in extreme circumstances, with proper training and when Marine Patrol or swim/beach rescue not available and its a true ALS call it would be acceptable. Commissioner Mirras talked about the Volunteers vs Paid staff seems to be the best its been in awhile, only problems we have now are between the Paid staff. As with any staff you will have conflicts but they should work itself out. Ms. Lucas stated that we have only heard from one person regarding the Senior EMT position but has not sent his resume over as of this date. Ms. Lucas to send out another letter stating if we do not hear from the candidates by August 28<sup>th</sup>, we will consider you are not interested in the position. Commissioner Mirras asked about the tiles in the Paramedic room, some employees have complained. Brent and Rex to clean and check for mold. Also will call Quality Air Control for pricing on cleaning the ducts. Commissioner Marino feels its just condensation.

- Commissioner Mirras wanted to discuss the next District meeting, seems it is going to be here September 26 with the Chiefs meeting as a meet the candidates. Commissioner Mirras to get more information.

- Commissioner Schoen wanted to address some insurance information, a bill that was in tonight's bills to be paid we already received a check in excess of the amount of the bill. Just so everyone is aware one of our members of the Fire Department had a needle stick so we filed paperwork for it.

### **Chief's Report**

- Chief Ryan presented information for the 4 new EMT's to take the EMT-Basic course starting in September at a cost of \$125 per person totaling \$500.00. Commissioner Marino motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

- Chief Ryan also presented for Thom Flight to take the EMT-CC course at \$275.00. Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Marino; motioned/passed/carried.

- Chief Ryan presented a purchase requisition for medical supplies from EMP for \$1,543.40, Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

- The next requisition is for medical supplies from EMP totaling \$1,577.61. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve; seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.

- The next requisition is for ten blue dash board lights at a cost of \$489.90. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

- The next requisition is for batteries for the Minitor V pagers totaling \$108.00, Commissioner Marino motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

- The last requisition is for a new thermal imaging camera for 9-3-1 at a cost of \$5,555.00 with a trade in allowance of \$1,500 so total cost is \$4,055.00. Commissioner Marino motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

**Open to the Floor:**

Commissioner Mirras motioned to go into Executive Session for Personal at 19:20, seconded by Commissioner Marino; motioned/passed/carried.

Commissioner Mirras motioned to come back from Executive Session at 19:30, seconded by Commissioner Marino; motioned/passed/carried.

Commissioner Marino motioned to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

**Adjourned 19:50 hours**