

Montauk Fire District
October 10, 2017
Commissioners Regular Meeting 19:00 hours

MINUTES

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

Also Present: Chief Vinny Franzone, 1st Assistant Chief Dave Ryan, 2nd Assistant Chief Mitchell Valcich, Eddie Schnell 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.

Eddie Schnell talked about the Price Quote from Motorola Solutions for the new radios, was able to get a better discount than the state and it came down to 60.65%. The actual contract discount will be 39.45% off list, New York States was only 25%. All items needed come to \$542,112.25 on State Bid, thanks to all our negotiations and large purchase total cost is actually \$328,322.55. Next step is Motorola will need a purchase order in this calendar year to receive the discount, we do not have to ship in this year. Terms are Net 30 from when it ships. When system is online and ready we will need a few months before hand so everything can get programmed correctly and workout any kinks. Nothing with the pagers are changing, some back end things are being upgraded to make it more current, and as far as the user end of it nothing is changing. UHF portion is not changing. Commissioner Marino asked only thing left would be to get everything installed, do we have a ballpark figure.

Secretary's Report:

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve the September 27, 2017 Commissioners Workshop Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

Building Use Request: Montauk PTA for their pasta Dinner January 19, 2018 from 5-8pm, no conflicts and check received. Commissioner Marino motioned to approve and return check after event is over, seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried. Another Building use request for the USAR Team for October 14th from 5:30 to 8pm for 60 people similar set up to the Pancake Breakfast. LI Commerical Fishing Association for October 16th, for about 100 people informed meeting with Town Trustee candidates, received money for also. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve both requests, seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

Time Off Request: Brent requested 5 vacation days, November 8, 9, 10, 11 and 14th, as per Ms. Lucas he has the time. Commissioner Marino motioned to approve request, seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried. Rex requested to use a personal day for October 14th, Commissioner Marino motioned to approve; seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.

Treasurers Report: Commissioner Mirras looked at Treasurers report everything looks good, looks like we will have a surplus that we can put towards equipment. Commissioner Schoen motioned to accept the Treasurers Report, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

Audit of Bills: Ms. Lucas read aloud bills totaling; \$21,153.67 (see attached journal), Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve payment of the bills totaling \$21,153.67, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.

Committee Reports:

Apparatus and Equipment:

- Commissioner Monahan reported no problems with any equipment, the tire on 17 was found to have a leak, it came from a valve on the inner tire, it was repaired yesterday and the pressure held. As per Chairman Dryer he wanted to note that Rex was able to figure out the problem during the pancake breakfast and the alarm that went off twice.
- Commissioner Mirras wanted to know about Truck 9, Brent and Vinny checked, if you deflate tires to go on beach and forget to re inflate it will ride like you have experienced. Chief has told the officers this numerous times.

Buildings & Grounds:

- Chairman Dryer stated that all areas that needed to be secured in back building are and now the department can have access. The boat and number 12 can be put in as of tomorrow.
- As per Commissioner Marino the kitchen is now hooked up to the 1,000 gallon tank, no longer a separate tank.
- Waiting on Allen Burke to give us a date to dig out old tank at substation. The new tank is ready to go next to the building, all we needed was a roof panel and Brent got that in, once Allen is done we will pipe into boiler and be all set.
- As per Chief, Saturday they are going to clean out the container.
- Commissioner Marino also wanted to note that the cage for the propane tanks was painted and ready to go. The tanks are all filled up too. Members that need a key will have access to one

House Report- nothing to go over. This is the time of year to do the floors upstairs on the new building, Commissioner Marino just waiting on one person to free up time so they can accomplish.

Capital Reserve:

- Commissioner Schoen read three capital reserve balances.

Communications:

- Eddie Schnell gave report at beginning of meeting.

Fire Advisory:

- No Meeting (canceled)

Insurance & Law:

- As per Commissioner Schoen only one claim for the turnout gear, he will make sure to check about the tank that we moved over to substation is on policy.

Personnel:

- As per Chief Franzone all transfer requests were approved. Donna from company 4 to 2, Tom from company 4 to company 3 and Bob Sanchez from company 4 to 6. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve transfers, Chairman Dryer seconded; motioned/passed/carried.

Safety:

- No issues

Training:

- Company 1 training at Camp Hero tonight
- Heavy Rescue training tomorrow night
- Department Drill October 23rd- Marina's, which we will incorporate the boat at Gone Fishing Marina.
- October 26th RIT training at the Larry Franzone training center in Wainscott.
- As per Chief Ryan, we applied for training for next year in Yaphank for Commercial low Pressure and Residual, just waiting on approval.
- The Juniors will be down at the Marina the first Wednesday of next month as well, Chief Valcich arranged with Ed Michael's.

Old Business:

- VCI Bill- As per Commissioner Monahan, he spoke with Pete and still waiting to hear back from Smithtown Manager and also reached out to the GM rep, if he can't get an answer, Dick will write a letter to GM. Bill is still on hold.

New Business:

- We want to rearrange Paramedic room- need to remove the old couch and order lockers so they can store their backpacks, maybe stack-able ones.

Chiefs Report:

- Chief Franzone submitted a purchase requisition for smoke fluid, totaling \$229.00, Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve the smoke fluid, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.
- Chief mentioned about the ICS-402 - Incident Command System, wasn't sure when the next Commissioners meeting was, but they are willing to come out and do an overview for about an hour but want to have a few Districts attend.
- Regarding 9-3-2, since we are getting near completion, Chief wanted to know about the ladders, he will get estimates back to us.
- Chief Valcich submitted truck checks for the month but had a question, while doing the check on his truck 9-3-32 the AED states battery is low, was wondering are they rechargeable. They might be, but might need to be re-calibrated, check with Walter tomorrow.
- Chief wanted to mention within the next 2 years we will have to start replacing the MSA Packs, Firematic only has enough spare parts to last till then. There are 3 departments that use the same packs we do. Chief will get the number of packs and masks that we will need to replace. Mark from Firematic recommends changing the batteries twice a year to get a better life out of the pack. Also we have old bottles that we need to get rid, maybe keep some old so we can practice with the newbies.
- Chief forgot to mention in personal we have 9 new candidates that want to join the department. Chairman Dryer wanted to know if Rex got his application, and he did as per Chief.

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Open to the Floor:

- Commissioner Schoen motioned to go into Executive Session for personal @ 19:45pm, seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

Commissioner Mirras motioned to go back into Regular Session @ 20:15pm, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

Chairman Dryer mentioned that we are in the process of streamlining the Paramedic Program, seems we were having problems filling slots, issues between paramedics, issues between paramedics and company 4, backbiting, favoritism. We have identified the problem which was lack of supervision from our current supervisor, so we have appointed another person as supervisor, Walter. Our goal is to keep a full schedule. Walter and Dawn will work together on the schedule and communicate with each other on any issues. Chain of command will be Paramedics to Walter, to Dawn then to the District. Chief asked how far in advance is the schedule is made, its made one month so far, but we are going to change it in the new year to 3 months. If Company 4 has a problem with a Paid Paramedic, chain of command would be member to the Captain, then to the Chief then to the District.

Commissioner Mirras stated the final inspection for 9-3-2 is scheduled for last the weekend in November, originally Commissioner Schoen was scheduled to go but Joey would like Mike to come as well. Commissioner Schoen stated we both should go.

Chief Franzone asked about 9-3-3, Chief Ryan stated there are 2 trucks ahead of it, then the chassis will be painted and just waiting on a tank and then they will start. Chief Valcich asked if its a custom chassis or commercial, its a commercial.

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

Adjourned 20:28 hours