#### **MINUTES**

Montauk Fire District February 13, 2018 Commissioners Regular Meeting 19:00 hours

Commissioners Present: Joseph Dryer

Richard Schoen Richard Monahan James Wright

*Also Present:* Chief Vinny Franzone, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief Dave Ryan, Thomas Fleming, John Kessler of AARP, Leon Day 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 Schoen motioned to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2018 Commissioner's Workshop Meeting, seconded by James Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

Building Use Requests: Harbor Ridge Condo is requesting use of meeting room on May 28, 2018 from 9am- 12 noon, no conflicts and check received. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve as long as Department sponsor is there, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried. The Montauk Chamber Of Commerce put a request to use the meeting room for the Certified Pool Operators Class. April 11 & 12, 2018. Received 2 checks, chief Franzone is the sponsor. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner motioned/passed/carried. Motnauk Boy Scout Troop 136 requests use of meeting room for their Prime Rib Dinner, dates November 9 & 10, 2018. Checks received, Commissioner Schoen motoned to approve and send check back, seeonded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

*Treasurers Report:* As per board we are tabling until Workshop meeting when Commisssioner Mirras can look at further. Commissioner Schoen asked Ms. Lucas about remaining balance of 9-3-3, we already paid 2/3rds, just have remaining balance of about \$130,000.

Audit of Bills: Ms. Lucas read aloud bills totaling; \$52,598.25 (see attached journal), Commissioner Schoen had some questions about preventative maintenance on 9-3-16, 9-3-17 and 9-3-18 thought labor costs were a little high. Commissioner Monahan will ask John to explain costs for us. Chairman Dryer brought up that he received a call from Pete Caliendo, since we passed on the Briarcliff Ambulance, he has one of the last diesel applications on a GM frame and it doesn't have all the frills as the other Ambulance had so its much cheaper. The cost is \$186,000 would we be interested. He told him right now we have a list of other items that are more of a priority to replace. Commissioner Schoen was approached by Chief Ryan about possibly having the District replace the pick up with 9-3-12 and buying a new 9-3-12 with a bigger cab. Commissioner Monahan stated his problem with that is you are looking at significantly more money, both Commissioner Schoen and Chairman Dryer agreed.

Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve payment of the bills totaling \$52,598.25, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

# **Committee Reports:**

# Apparatus and Equipment:

Commissioner Monahan reported that all vehicles are working. There is a broken dial on 9-3-4, which came about when Vinny and company found a grinding noise that came about when pump was engaged, it's actually understanding the correct operations of 9-3-4. John from Fully Involved came down to go over and explain correctly how the dial works at no charge to us.

- Commissioner Monahan noted the Department is looking for information on the back up camera for 9-3-14. Brent got prices last year and forwarded to the Chief to have Mickey determine which one would fit.
- Regarding 9-3-17, Commissioner Monahan is sending a letter to Mary Barra, Chairman of the Board for General Motors on the compressor failure we have had no resolution on.
- Commissioner Monahan brought up 9-3-80, he has the specs and just has to go over what extras are needed. Base price about 50,000, the command box and temperature control for the drugs in the back, approximately \$7,000 plus labor, plus extras for striping, sirens, radios, etc. Total rough estimate about \$80,000.00.
- Brent is working on information for the Pick up truck.
- Commissioner Monahan will bring 9-3-30 up to Suburban for an estimate from the deer incident.

# **Buildings & Grounds:**

- Commissioner Wright talked to John Tanzi about the stairs on the back garage, there is an offer from the builder to give us a credit of \$15,000, he thinks its ascetic. We can go back to them for \$25,000 and settle in middle since the stairs on the backside of garage and not a safety issue. As per Chairman Dryer he says for \$15,000 we are not talking it, fix it to what we agreed we wanted so in 20 or 30 years from no it will still be fixed correctly. As per Commissioner Schoen it's not our fault it was poorly designed, it's not the way it's supposed to be, we are paying for the way it's supposed to be, we are entitled to have it the way it's supposed to be. Commissioner Wright will go back to John and explain it is not what we paid for, we want what we paid for why should we settle.
- While talking with John Tanzi, Commissioner Wright explained the upstairs sub-flooring is damaged due to the fact they left it opened to the elements, he agrees, thinks it's at least a warranty issue and any repairs that need to be done should be done by the builder. Commissioner Wright will send pictures and ask John to talk on our behalf about the sub-flooring. There has been talk about painting the floors upstairs, after talking with other contractors, they stated its not a good idea. Got some samples the others day for floating floors that just snap together that can be done with a crew that we hire. Chairman Dryer wants to get the alarm issue taken care in back garage, its been going off for some time. We all should know what to do in case it happens in future.
- Sub-station, John Tanzi was suppose to get us a bid structure on what should be done, he will be working on that.
- Since Brent is out with the flu and Rex is sick we were able to hire Andy Pessalano as a substitute custodian until Brent returns.

## Capital Reserve:

• will be read at next meeting

#### Communications:

• not at this time

## Fire Advisory:

• Commissioner Mirras not at meeting to give report

## Insurance & Law:

- Commissioner Schoen discussed as it states in this months Counsellor a zero-tolerance alcohol policy. Since we were informed about this, we will need to put something in writing. He will write something and have Joe Frank look into to and then we will vote on at next meeting.
- When we go into Executive session, there is a requirement by law that we keep minutes that can be released to the public if we vote on anything. Also in executive session you can not vote to expend funds.
- Also we have video security cameras outside the building and fortunately we do not have any
  houses next to us, because they have a right to privacy, but down the line we could have an
  issue with drones.
- Another topic that came up, Health Insurance and members of the department securing same from the Town of East Hampton. It was brought up that we are required to provide Health Insurance to our members, Commissioner Schoen stated that is not the case, we are required to allow them access to any Health Insurance Plan we have or any other municipality has that offers access to their plan. We have no control of their payment policy.

## Training:

• Chief Franzone wanted to let us know about the probes training, they are coming along and if we see a jump from Peconic on refilling tanks, its because we are going through them pretty quickly.

### Old Business:

• The Fire Protection Contract was unanimous approved and adopted February 1, 2018 with the Town of East Hampton. Ms. Lucas contacted the clerks office and found out that they are in the process of writing the contracts.

#### New Business:

- LOSAP, Service Award Program Approval, as per Chief Franzone only two members do not qualify. All Commissioners and Chairman that are present signed.
- Commissioner Schoen talked about the disposal of old 9-3-2, we need to figure out how we can get the most money for the truck. He will look into ways to do this, and we will need to put it out to bid for our April meeting.
- Commissioner Schoen is still waiting on an itemized bill from Ferrara, Chief Franzone noted there is still work to be done on truck.

## **Chiefs Report:**

- A purchase requisition from Town of East Hampton for CPR classes, totaling \$270.00 Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried
- Dues for Chief's Association totaling, \$250.00, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition for reimbursement from Chris Kiswetter for gym membership to Body Tech, totaling \$150.00, Chairman Dryer motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, EMP for medical supplies totaling \$1,183.51, Commissioner Monahan motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, EMP for medical supplies totaling \$2,575.74, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

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- A purchase requisition from, Boundtree for medical supplies totaling \$1,255.20, Commissioner Monahan motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, Firematic for voice amplifiers totaling \$1,196.00, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, Amazon for safety glasses and PFD's totaling \$355.72, Commissioner Monahan motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, Best Materials for poly rope totaling \$99.95, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, Lifeguard Systems carabiners and turtle fins totaling \$278.94, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, Lifeguard Systems for chest harnesses and ice rescue book totaling \$359.05, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition from, Riverhead Building Supply blue gloves and tarp totaling \$39.17, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.
- Chief Franzone wanted to bring up the fact the the current 9-3-12 can only hold 2 people, was wondering about getting a truck with a bigger cab to hold more persons. Would the District be interested in 9-3-12 when we decide replace the Pick up truck. As per Commissioner Monahan we are looking into a used pick up to replace the one we have right now.
- Chief Franzone spoke with Fully Involved about the transfer on 9-3-3 to a Brush Truck and they would absolutely bid on it and told us there is a skid pack that is available with jump seats and roll bars that would slide right onto the chassis. Neville and Firematic will also put a bid on for it.
- Commissioners asked about taking skid pack off the Brat, 9-3-9, Chief found out its a lot of work, its plumbed internally, not an easy task.
- We should be receiving a bill from a past member who wants to use the gym, Chief made him get a physical first, his family is a member, he said just give him the bill and he will pay for it. I

### **Open to the Floor:**

Peter Joyce met with Brent about sirens and researched and found the siren on West lake Dr is a 10 HP Siren and in good shape just needs some work which Peter has a proposal for. The one on Industrial Rd. is a 7.5 HP Siren down to a 5HP because of it's age. Century is the manufacturer of the sirens, so you can get it directly or from a distributor. The rep suggests going with nothing less than a 10HP but recommends a 15HP Siren for Industrial Rd. Lead time is 4-5 weeks. We do not know the status of the poles right now. Peter has been talking with PSEG about getting new poles, his contact states they might have 2 climbing poles that were used for training that we could have but they are 45ft. The manufacturer states if we could stay at 65ft that would be better, we would get more coverage. If we need new 65ft poles it would cost us about \$4-5,000 a pole because they come form Georgia. The 10HP Siren delivered to Montauk is \$6,500.00 and the 15HP Siren is \$9,990.00. If we upgrade to a new siren, Chairman Dryer was wondering do we need a permit, as per Peter we do not need a permit. There is another siren from Federal, but it is a duty cycle, on for 1 minute, off for 2min, this siren is

more expensive. Peter also stated if these guys do the work for us, we need to compensate them for their time. As per Chairman Dryer next step is for Peter to get formal proposals to Ms. Lucas. He presented proposal for siren work at West lake Dr., we will need 2 more proposals to compare.

Peter discussed the project that is up and coming in Montauk, a battery storage facility on Industrial rd. near the railroad tracks which is his property. They will put up a 5,000 sq. ft building with retaining walls. The concept is we would buy power on off peak hours and on peak hours it would get sold back. If this project gets approved with the Town Planning Board, the company would be willing to design, engineer and install a complete array of solar panels at not cost to the District or taxpayers of Montauk. They are looking for some sort of support form the district in a form of a letter. Commissioner Schoen feels like we are being bribed with solar panels for their support. Peter will go back and get more information for us. As per Chairman Dryer, have him write a letter and we will discuss.

Thom Fleming talked about an active shooter seminar the County had about a month ago, who is trained for this, or in charge. He said they are learning now that it could happen anywhere. He researched and found a class in Texas, he is asking to take the training seminar with Robert Mauscke for \$2,500.00 and share what they learned. He is willing to teach other districts. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve up to \$2,500, seconded by Chairman Dryer: motioned/passed/carried.

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

Adjourned 21:20 hours