

**Montauk Fire District**  
**October 23, 2019**  
**Commissioners Workshop Meeting 19:00 hours**

**MINUTES**

**Commissioners Present:** Joe Dryer, Chairman  
Richard Schoen  
Michael Mirras  
Dick Monahan  
Jim Wright

**Also Present:** Chief Ryan, Charlie Morici and District Secretary/Treasurer Dawn Lucas

**Call Meeting to Order:**

Commissioner 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 Monahan mentioned some minor changes, Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2019 Regular Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

**•Purchase Requisitions;**

• A purchase requisition for medical supplies from EMP totaling \$784.55, Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

• A purchase requisition for medical supplies from EMP totaling \$818.86, Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

•**Time off Request;** Rex Martin requested to use two personal days 10/31/19 and 11/1/19, coverage is available, Brent will be here. Dawn Lucas requested to use one vacation day 11/29/19. Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve both, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.

**Resolution appointing Board of Elections for Annual Elections of the Montauk Fire District-** Commissioner Mirras read aloud Resolution Appointing Board of Elections for Annual Elections of the Montauk Fire District (see attached). Board unanimously approved the resolution.

**Audit of Bills:**

• Ms. Lucas presented invoices to be paid, totaling \$29,426.31. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

**Workshop Topics:**

**•Physicals;**

• 16 members still need physicals.

- letters will go out to members who do not complete the required physical at months end. As per resolution 16-004- Firefighter Physical Examination Screening they will be suspended until they successfully complete the required physical. At which point they will be put back to active duty status.

**•Sub Station;**

- As per Commissioner Wright all interior work has been completed and seems to be staying dry. We also have a 5 year warranty so if anything was to come up, Fidel will address and take care of.

- Commissioner Mirras asked about the DE-humidification system- Ms. Lucas stated Brent spoke with DeSousa and parts are on order and will be installed once they arrive.

- Commissioner Mirras also wanted to thank Commissioner Wright for all the work he has been doing. It has been over 20 years to get some of these projects complete. Next step will be to address what the Sub Station use will be and what apparatus's will stay there. **Cascade/Compressor Discussion;**

- We need to address the most cost effective way of handling this. We don't have all the facts, need to know if Amagansett will allow us to fill our bottles and will there be a cost?

- Another alternative is buy more bottles. New bottle cost from Firematic is \$955 per bottle, just waiting on Coastal price. The cost to fill is \$20 per bottle, need 10 bottle minimum from Coastal. In the event we have a big fire John Drewes from Coastal will come directly to scene for \$140 plus \$20 per bottle.

- Commissioner Schoen brought up the fact of the training required to fill these tanks, which was addressed at a previous meeting. What about the installation cost, electric cost and most importantly the liability factor.

- Chairman Dryer stated how there are fail safes on the compressor system that will not allow you to over fill a bottle. John Drewes from Coastal would come out himself and train us.

- Chief Ryan also brought up an option of using a Cascade 4500 System from Firematic as an alternative for filling MSA bottles, cost is \$18,638.75. Also if we had a fire they would charge us for a service call of \$ 55 and a \$23.25 per bottle fill cost.

- Commissioner Mirras wanted to clarify the 2 different systems, a Cascade system is a high pressure gas cylinder storage system which is used for the refilling of smaller compressed gas cylinders. A compressor system is what we are talking about. We need further research, what we have spent in the past for bottles over the last 3 years, the used machine option except it will not be able to fill 5.5 bottles in the future.

**Cancer Prevention- Commercial Grade Washer/Dryer discussion;**

- Ms. Lucas was asked to find out if Coastal was on state bid, the cost of installation, and filtration on the machine. Coastal is on state bid, the installation cost is already included in the cost of the equipment and has a filtration system. Commissioner Mirras motioned to purchase the washer/dryer, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

**Antenna at Firehouse;**

- a further discussion will be had once Commissioner Mirras speaks with planning board. The antenna is functional right now.

**Air Duct Cleaning;**

- Ms. Lucas spoke with All Island Duct Cleaning and found they can perform the same work as QAC. They will send over a detailed proposal later, he was on the road as we were speaking. Commissioner Schoen motioned to approve as long as we have written confirmation, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried.

**Chief's Report:**

- 9-3-1's hose divider was installed, now figuring out how much 3" and 5" will be needed.
- 9-3-9 still waiting on the booster hoses that have been ordered.

- 9-3-14- Chief was informed that one of the stabilizer's seem to be inaccurate and that is why an alarm was going off. The alarm that we were aware of was for the ladder into the cradle, it was recently adjusted.
- Chief stated he ordered 5" hose 25' and 50', 2 lengths of each that was approved for 9-3-1 and 9-3-14. Ms. Lucas will double check purchases and get back to us.
- Commissioner Wright discussed cleaning up the back garage since 9-3-3 and 9-3-9 are complete. Chief will look and see if we can discard anything.

**Open to the Floor:**

Ms. Lucas brought up prevailing wage from previous meeting, she spoke with lawyer and found that an owner of a company doing work for the district by himself does not need prevailing wage. If the project entails a helper, prevailing wage is required on the helper. The job price has nothing to do with it.

Ms. Lucas wanted to let everyone know the back garage is single phase 208. Commissioner Wright stated he spoke with an electrician and found we could put in a converter to make it a 3 phase system compared to rewiring the whole thing and it would be cheaper.

Commissioner Schoen submitted a claim with Ecker's office for \$2,400 for an intake adapter for 9-3-14.

Commissioner Monahan motioned to adjourn meeting, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

**Adjourned 19:50 hours**