

*Montauk Fire District
March 10, 2020*

MINUTES

Commissioners Regular Meeting 19:00 hours

Commissioners Present: Joseph Dryer
Michael Mirras
James Wright
William R. Pitts

Also Present: Chief Dave Ryan, 1st Asst. Chief Mickey Valcich, 2nd Asst. Chief Scott Snow and Secretary/Treasurer Dawn E. 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 Wright motioned to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2020 Workshop Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Pitts; motioned/passed/carried.

Building Use Requests:

- Montauk Chamber of Commerce is requesting the meeting room on June 22 or 23 for SCDHS Food Manager's Test. Check received. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by Chairman Dryer; motioned/passed/carried. .

Time Off Request: Mr. Becker requested to use one vacation day for March 24, 2020, Chairman Dryer motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright.

Treasurers Report: Commissioner Mirras after reviewing two months of treasurers reports is estimating a fund balance of \$200,000. He has reviewed the statements, checked the checks, everything is written to whom it is supposed to be, Commissioner Mirras motioned to accept both January and February's treasurer's reports, seconded by Chairman Dryer motioned/passed/carried. Ms. Lucas mentioned the Village dispatch contract is up February 2021 and the Town Fire protection contract is up at the end of this year. We need to set up a meeting with the Village and other districts to determine costs. Chairman Dryer will work on this. Commissioner Schoen will work with Town on Fire Protection money.

Audit of Bills: Ms. Lucas presented the bills to be paid totaling \$20,411.82 (see attached journal), Commissioner Wright motioned to approve payment of the bills, seconded by Commissioner Pitts; motioned/passed/carried.

Committee Reports:

Apparatus and Equipment:

- 9-3-16- will be painted after the parade.

- New 9-3-18- still needs to go back for warranty work. Peter from VCI suggested they use it for a few weeks to make sure everything is working correctly, add what they need to the punch list and then have it worked on.
- 9-3-3- is still waiting on a part. Once part is received John will come out and install.
- Letter of intent was sent for new District Van. Chairman Dryer asked if the District has a copy. Commissioner Pitts noted he has it on his phone and will get a copy to the District
- 9-3-9- still waiting on the siren, the hard suction is here. Chief Valcich was wondering about the engaging and disengaging of the pump. Commissioner Pitts would like John from Fully Involved to take a look. He will also contact Vinny Franzone and see if we can get the gentleman from Chiviis who knows the pump well to come and demo again the proper procedures for engaging and disengaging the pump.
- Switching of vehicles the way the Chief wanted doesn't seem to work. They need to come up with another alternative. Chief Ryan suggested painting the post to remind members it's tight over there. Commissioner Wright also suggested installing a camera like 9-3-14 so you can see all the way around the truck. The guide post was twisted incorrectly, fixed and that should help a little. The Chief eventually down the road would like to see all the wild-land trucks together in the back garage.

Buildings & Grounds:

- Road Project awarded, now waiting on the weather to start.
- Commissioner Wright noticed the middle bay door not working correctly. Commissioner Pitts was told from Brent it could be 2 things, the sun hitting the eye causing confusion or the outside silver box buttons get stuck. It seems to be working now.
- House Report- Back garage looks a lot better, still a work in progress. Chief Snow suggests getting a tire rack.
- Commissioner Mirras noticed the existing panels for the doors are no longer available, what are we doing about this? Commissioner Wright stated our thinking was to get bids to paint the doors, jams and lentils on the ground which need to be done anyways. This option will only last for a few years. Commissioner Mirras would like prices for new doors to see if we do all at once, 1 or 2 a year, etc. Commissioner Wright discussed getting the architect involved so we can put it out to bid. Chief Valcich feels we need to get it spec'd out so all bidders can bid competitively. Commissioner Wright motioned to discuss garage door project with the architect John Tanzi, seconded by Commissioner Mirras; motioned/passed/carried.

Capital Reserve:

- Commissioner Mirras read two capital reserve balances and also asked Ms. Lucas to transfer \$100,000 to the building reserve and \$230,000 to the equipment reserve as per appropriated fund balances in our budget.
- Chairman Dryer also wanted to inform the board that there is a need for a new District Pick-Up. Commissioner Mirras will discuss with Brent to clarify.

Communications:

- Planning department has not finished the work up for the back but it was suggested to possibly move antenna and tie it into the retaining wall. Commissioner Mirras is going to wait on the planning department and then get a soil sample to see what is the better option.
- No info on gator site. Not a dead issue it's just back with the FAA.

Fire Advisory:

- Meeting next week

Insurance & Law:

- Nothing at this time

Personnel:

- New member Will Field was voted in at last meeting and will be starting Firefighter1 at end of August. Also a new member of the Junior Fire Department Riley Reville.
- If a member does not have a year in good standing are they suppose to get a letter. As per Ms. Lucas, they should receive one from the department. As per Commissioner Mirras, Richie Weiss did not receive one. Chief will send out and a copy will be made for the district.

Safety:

- No issues at this time

Training:

- Someone from Stihl will be coming out on the 23rd to talk about chain saws and cut up saws.
- Willy the brush fire guy will have a class here at the firehouse, 3 nights, just working on the dates.

Old Business:

- Radio- Ms. Lucas to contact Integrated Wireless about cost to install new radios in trucks.
- Coastal invoice shipping charge- spoke with John and explained to him never asked for it to be rushed just need the pants ordered. He agreed to credit back the \$115 charge.

New Business:

- District Officers Meeting- March 24th at Montauk. Chairman Dryer contacted Tado for his assistance.
- New Heater unit for dishwasher- The new dishwasher needs a super heater, old one was 32 years old and it took a crap. Direct replacement Compact Water Heater \$1,832.05. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Pitts, motioned/passed/carried.
- Chairman Dryer discussed the new dryer, all hooked up and turned on to see if it works, nothing. Brent has been in touch with supplier, manufacturer and they feel it could be the blower. A new blower is is on its way and we will go from there.

Chiefs Report:

- Chief Ryan discussed in about a year and half we will need to replace all the air packs. We might want to consider switching to Scott Packs since the departments from Southampton to Amagansett have them and its easier when mutual aids tend to happen.
- Joey Lenahan is putting a class together on new heavy rescue techniques with Mark Tullo from Firematic.
- Chief Valcich gave the permit from the state for the use of Camp Hero to Ms. Lucas
- Chief Ryan also stated the Captain of the ambulance squad requested supplies, usually does not go through him. Commissioner Pitts stated it was authorized at last meeting and Ms. Lucas has already ordered them.
- Chief Ryan noted that he will be requesting new pagers at the next Commissioner's meeting. Ms. Lucas also stated some pagers were sent for repair and Integrated wireless can only repair one. They sent a quote for new ones and a rebate program is being offered till the end of March.

Open to the Floor:

Commissioner Pitts asked about follow up with SCW, Chairman Dryer stated he is still working on it.

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

Adjourned 19:46 hours