

Montauk Fire District
November 22, 2022
Commissioners Workshop Meeting 18:30 hours

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Richard Schoen
James Wright
Charles “Chip” McLean
Thomas Dess

Also Present: 1st Asst. Chief Kenneth Glogg and Secretary/Treasurer Dawn E Lucas.

Call Meeting to Order:

Chairman Schoen called the meeting to order at 18:30 hours and asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance and then a moment of silence.

Secretary's Report:

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Wright motioned to approve the minutes of November 9, 2022 Regular Commissioner's meeting, seconded by Commissioner Dess; motioned/passed/carried. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve the minutes of November 10, 2022 Special Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Dess; motioned/passed/carried.

Purchase Requisitions:

- A purchase requisition for EMP for medical supplies totaling \$2,995.47, Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition for Boundtree for medical supplies totaling \$743.93, Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Dess; motioned/passed/carried.
- A purchase requisition for Amazon for an office chair, totaling \$300.00, Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried..

Ms. Lucas would like to take a minute to note that the New York State Department of Health came and did an inspection on November 14, 2022. She is please to say that we have met 100% of all the requirements needed. The inspector was very impressed with us, we passed with flying colors. He stated Ellen Cooke and Chris Boccabella (paramedic supervisor) did an outstanding job. Chairman Schoen stated Allen Burke was also instrumental in getting ready for it. It was definitely a joint effort between company 4 and the paid staff. Chairman asked how often is this done. Commissioner McLean believes every 24 months.

Audit of Bills:

Ms. Lucas presented the bills to be paid totaling \$16,226.72, Commissioner Wright motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.

Workshop Topics:

Boilers- Commissioner Wright asked if everyone was able to look at the plans. Chairman Schoen did and noted they were very confusing. Asked what the next step is. Commissioner Wright stated waiting on the paperwork to send off to the paper. We are going to wait to hear back on this. On agenda for next meeting.

Hot Water Heater- Commissioner Wright explained he did ask Brent to call other plumbers to see about quotes, no responses. He would like to point out that DeSousa in our in-house plumber and we do have to pay prevailing wage, its not a house job. Commissioner McLean went and looked at the water heater and stated it is definitely more entailed then a residential application is. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve the cost which is about \$6,800 for new hot water heater, Commissioner McLean asked if we need to get another bid at that amount. Commissioner Wright stated it's leaking, so it's an emergency repair. Chairman Schoen did state it is still making hot water. Commissioner Dess seconded; motioned/passed/carried.

Brush Truck- Chairman Schoen stated at last meeting Commissioner Dess was going to check with the state on this. He is waiting to hear back from his contact about the Dodge 3500.

UTV- Commissioner Dess is also waiting to hear back from Malvese on a Kubota. He is also working on a Polaris. Chief Glogg said there is one in Wyandanch which is on state contract.

Garage Doors- Chairman Schoen wants to remind everyone when responding to calls to make sure we close the doors when we are en route to the said call. There was a day that the wind was blowing 20-30 miles an hour and sucked all the heat right out of the building. We can't leave the doors open now that the winter is upon us. Commissioner Dess asked if there is anything wrong with the front door, he couldn't get in the other night. Ms. Lucas will check with Brent on that.

Additional workshop topics;

Physicals: Chairman Schoen stated we put 3 members on suspension because of physicals. At this point Jamie Quaresimo is back to active duty because he has completed his physical. One member has an appointment 11/28/22 and the other 12/27/22.

Chairman Schoen reminded all the Commissioner's that the next District Officer's meeting is next Tuesday 11/29/22.

Chairman Schoen noted that one of the chief's not sure who told a captain of a company they weren't allowed to have a drill and take the truck with the red lights, questions were raised. So Chairman sent Joe Frank an email with questions about lights and sirens. The first question asked was;

1- When responding to an actual call should both lights and sirens be used or is the use of lights alone OK. Joe Franks response; A vehicle being driven in accordance with the rules of the road, staying in it's lane, following applicable speed limits, stopping at all stop signs, stopping at red lights, waiting for light to turn green is not required to use lights and or sirens. When engaging in emergency operations

both the lights and sirens must be operated to have the statutory protections. Lights and sirens both on to bypass stop signs, red lights, etc.

2- When using an apparatus for either a company or department drill is the use of emergency lights permitted or is it at the discretion of the chief? Lights are permitted for a drill but it is not an emergency operation so the regular rules of the road must be followed. We stop at stop signs, red lights, no passing, no speeding, etc.

3- If you are transporting a frequent flier in the middle on the night and don't want to wake up the whole town, you can go lights no sirens but must obey regular rules of the road.

Chiefs Report: Chief Glogg stated the following;

- Chief has a purchase requisition from Ambulance company 4 for a RAD-57 Pulse CO-Oximeter. All ambulances should have one and currently 9-3-18 does not. The cost is \$4,403.00. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by McLean; motioned/passed/carried.
- The ambulance company is also requesting two replacement batteries for the Lifepak 1000. Cost is \$906, Commissioner Dess motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried.
- Chief is also requesting 10 Blue lights for the new members. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Dess; motioned/passed/carried.
- Chief is requesting 10 new pagers, chargers and 10 extra batteries for the new members. Commissioner Dess motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wright; motioned/passed/carried. Side note Chairman Schoen noted that with each new member voted into the department we commit to over \$7,000 in expenses for them.
- Chief Glogg was inquiring about hose testing. Commissioner McLean stated we are on the list but no date as of yet. Will check with Brent.
- Chief stated new members started their training. Classes will start in January in Southampton and hopefully field training in Wainscott. The chief was able to secure physical slots for them in December. They all need this before they take the class. Chief will get the exact dates to secure the van.
- Commissioner McLean asked since 9-3-14 was returned today what is the timeline to get the ladders and packs back on the apparatus. Also did anyone test the tormentors to see if everything is OK. Chairman Schoen stated no, that did not happen. Chief will reach out to the Captain. Commissioner Wright stated within the next couple of days it will get checked out because more Xmas lights will be put up. Chairman Schoen asked exactly what was wrong with them. Commissioner McLean stated the left rear tormentor hydraulic line burst and started leaking and also gave the impression it was leaking in the front but after looking at it was determined only the left rear was actually leaking.
- Chairman Schoen noted the finger reader was out over the weekend and is back up and running.

Commissioner Wright motioned to adjourn meeting @ 19:04 hrs, seconded by Commissioner Dess; motioned/passed/carried.

Adjourned 19:04 hours