

Montauk Fire District

March 26, 2025

Commissioners Workshop Meeting 18:40 hours

MINUTES

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

Also Present: Chief Peter Joyce, Jr., 2nd Asst. Chief Joe McDonald and Secretary- Deputy Treasurer Dawn E Lucas.

Call Meeting to Order:

Chairman Wright called the meeting to order at 18:40 hours and asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Secretary's Report:

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner McLean motioned to accept the minutes of the March 4, 2025 Regular Commissioner Meeting seconded by Vice-Chairman Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

Building Use Request: Ms. Lucas presented three building use requests and they were;

- Chamber of Commerce- Suffolk County Food Handlers Course from 8:30am - 4:30pm May 7, 2025- Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried..
- Harbor Ridge- Annual Board Meeting for May 25, 2025 @ 9am and they did send in a check for \$150, Eddie Ecker is department sponsor and Ed Keenan is contact person. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.
- Montauk Ladies Auxiliary is requesting May 9th for BINGO from 6pm – 9pm, set up time around 4pm. Commissioner McLean motioned to approve, seconded by Vice-Chairman Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.

Audit of Bills: Ms. Lucas presented the bills for payment totaling \$18,509.63. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve payment of the bills, totaling \$18,509.63, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.

Workshop Topics:

Close Bank Account and transfer funds- Ms. Lucas explained the district has an old bank account with a balance of \$2.04 and would like to close and transfer it's funds to the Apparatus and Equipment

Reserve fund. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve the transfer, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.

Data Request Package- LOSAP 2024- Ms. Lucas presented the completed Data request Package (LOSAP 2024) and all that is needed is the Chairman's signature. Ms. Lucas can then send in the information for review.

Pumpers (Engines)- Discussion arose about the change order the board was presented. Chairman Wright wanted to make sure both companies were represented in regards to the changes, Chief Peter Joyce, Jr stated YES. Chairman Wright is aware that Ray from Firematic would like to keep the production going because of the time frame in receiving the truck. There was some questions on the changes so the board went line by line to discuss.

- Contract price- \$1,984,000.00 for two Pumpers- agreed upon price per contract
- Add Train horns- Ex-Chief Peter Joyce, Sr. stated they are in place of the air horns, they are a bit louder. Commissioner McLean asked if we get some sought of credit for the conventional air horns. Chief McDonald believes the air horns are staying and the train horns are additional just like the rescue truck he believes. Vice- Chairman Schoen asked this wasn't thought of two years ago with the truck committee. The order was placed and we were rushing to get it in before the EPA emissions requirements changed. Chairman Wright asked Ms. Lucas what the referendum was put out for, her response was \$2,200,000.00.
- Front suction and front suction tray- option for other water sources, also able to draft. It was asked if our current trucks have front suction, answer was YES.
- Change horn operation to one lanyard one button- it's so the driver/ chauffeur and/or officer can use.
- add portable foam eductor- in place of a foam system. It's a sisphyn that gets mounted to the panel and goes to a 5 gallon bucket.
- add large diameter rear inlet- similar to 9-3-4, used in narrow driveways.
- add air horn switch to pump panel- in case we have to have a bail out or collapse.
- add rear SCBA seat with seat belts and air bag system- 9-3-1 holds a lot of air packs so they wanted to be able to hold more.
- add hose well to D/S and P/S pump panels- it would prevent the nozzles from bouncing they would be secured in well
- change deck gun to removable w/ ground base- used in drills before and can be handy if truck is not in a great position.
- add low frequency rumbler siren- 9-3-2 has one and it's another way to clear traffic.
- add LED pole lights to top of pump panel- for safety and helps to light up the seen.
- add lightweight hard suction hose with mounts- add two trays on the drivers side and remove the hatch compartments which we will get credit for. Also putting the stokes stretcher on either truck to make it RIT compliant.
- change to D/A finish interior compartments
- paint to match previous Pierce units- painted roll ups
- hose- 1000' 5", 1200' 2.5", 300' 1.75", 200' 3", 200' forestry with bag and nozzle- hose for truck, all color coded- Chief McDonald noted the correct price for just 5" and 2.5" hose is \$40,600 from Firematic. He also also received a secondary quote for all hose lengths and sizes that would be necessary for the truck from the same company that does our turnout gear High-Tech Fire and Safety of \$46,858.92. It was asked if there is anything wrong with the current hose. Peter stated 9-3-4 does not have 5" hose. A question arose, so we are throwing away

hose we have already? Chief Peter Joyce, Jr stated we will be throwing away 3" hose because no other department uses it as a supply line and should be switched to 5". Chief is stating we will try and use what we can but we will need to replace eventually and some of those cross lays are not in the best shape.

- manual 6" x 5" STZ gated inlet & P/S electric- to go on the passenger side of the truck on the large diameter intake with an electric valve so the pump operator can open and close the valve from the pump panel.
- add back up , L/S & R/S cameras – rear recessed- as discussed at meeting. It was asked if there were back up cameras on original specs- answer was NO. The DOT only requires back up alarms.
- multi camera switcher
- AM/FM civil defense alert system with weather band- that was discussed at meeting too.
- 4" FM elbow x 5" STZ with STZ cap reduced to 2.5"- it's a large diameter discharge with cap-multi-use.
- Discussion arose about cost factors, money available and if we can remove items not so important for the truck. It was also brought up that we could buy the hose at a later date and not include it in the total cost of the truck. Put it under equipment purchases. This is not getting voted on tonight, will discuss at next meeting.
- Ex-Chief Peter Joyce, Sr. asked what is the district doing with the old 9-3-4, answer was not sure yet. He suggests putting the hose off till 2026, the trucks are not due to arrive and in service till December. We can make due with what we have and add it into 2026 budget. Peter also believes we should keep 9-3-4 for 12 months so we can workout all the stuff with the new engines.
- Chief McDonald also wanted the board to be aware the hoses are a 10 month delivery date.
- If we pay for the trucks 60 days ahead of time there is a \$30,000 discount.
- Captain Sal Termini wanted to thank the board for taking the time to listen to all the changes they want to make and remember these trucks will be around for 25 years and in the long run if you amortize these things that are very needed it seems like it's important.
- Ms. Lucas will email Ray and ask when the change order has to be signed by without interruption of production.

Chief's Report

- Chief Joyce asked the district to pay dues for the Suffolk County Fire Safety Educators Association. It helps with Fire Prevention week at the school. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.
- The buses in the parking lot have been donated from the Montauk Public School and just waiting on the paperwork from Justin Raynor. They will be used for extrication training. The float committee would like to use the platform for a Culloden float for 2026's parade.
- Yaphank drill Monday after parade. If chauffeurs are available there will be two apparatuses leaving district, an Engine and the Tower Ladder.
- Physicals are still on track for April, everyone has been signing up. Ms. Lucas updated IOMR with current roster. Sign up process for physicals, sheets are on clip boards on the chief's door.
- Chief Joe McDonald presented a purchase requisition for Public Safety Store flashlights totaling \$374.95. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve/ seconded by Chairman Wright; motioned/passed/carried.

- Chief Joe McDonald presented a purchase requisition for Battery Junction for battery packs totaling \$216.50. Chairman Wright motioned to approve/ seconded by Vice-Chairman Schoen; motioned/passed/carried.
- Chief Joe McDonald presented a purchase requisition for Flir for a battery for the thermal imaging camera totaling \$207.99. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.
- Commissioner McLean asked the chief to remind the members using the van to fill in the mileage log that is inside the van.
- Chief is trying to get the officers and members to utilize the repair books for equipment and apparatus but need another book in a different color to make it easier.
- It was asked if the new lights for the front of the building are here yet? Not sure. They were ordered and we will find out.
- Chairman Wright discussed painting the siren on Industrial road and received a proposal from Peter Joyce for \$2,950.00. Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried.

Vice-Chairman Schoen motioned to adjourn meeting @ 19:26 hrs, seconded by Commissioner McLean motioned/passed/carried.

Adjourned 19:26 hours