

RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2021

MEETING OPENED:

THE EAST FISHKILL BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS HELD THEIR RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2021 AT DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. SECRETARY KAYE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:51 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE: ALL FIREFIGHTERS, EMS, POLICE AND MILITARY PERSONNEL.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: COMMISSIONER DIXON, COMMISSIONER EHRHART, COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI, COMMISSIONER McNAMARA, AND COMMISSIONER SHULTIS.

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 2021:

CHAIRMAN: SECRETARY KAYE REQUESTED NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER DIXON MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER McNAMARA AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI SECONDED AND MOTION CARRIED.

VICE CHAIRMAN: CHAIRMAN McNAMARA ASKED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN. COMMISSIONER DIXON MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER SHULTIS AS VICE-CHAIRMAN. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI. MOTION CARRIED.

SECRETARY/TREASURER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION TO REAPPOINT JULIE J. BEYER AS SECRETARY/TREASURER AT A YEARLY SALARY OF \$56,373.04. VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

DEPUTY TREASURER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION TO REAPPOINT KATHLEEN A. KAYE AS THE DEPUTY TREASURER/SECRETARY AT A YEARLY SALARY OF \$44,889.10 AND VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED IT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

LABORER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION THAT DAVID L. PALIN, THE DISTRICT'S PERSON IN CHARGE OF RADIOS AND KNOX BOXES, WOULD BE PAID AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$19.50 AND VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

LABORER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION THAT SCOTT M. BIRKLER, THE DISTRICT MAINTENANCE PERSON, WOULD BE PAID AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$20.15 AND VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

LABORER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION THAT KEVIN W. JACKSON, THE DISTRICT MAINTENANCE PERSON, WOULD BE PAID AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$20.15 AND VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

LABORER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION THAT THOMAS E. JACKSON, THE DISTRICT MAINTENANCE PERSON, WOULD BE PAID AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$19.07 AND VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

LABORER: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION THAT STEPHEN ZAMMIKIEL, THE DISTRICT MAINTENANCE PERSON, WOULD BE PAID AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$19.00 AND VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

LEGAL CONSULTANT: COMMISSIONER EHRHART MADE A MOTION THAT MACKEY, BUTTS & WISE BE LEGAL CONSULTANTS FOR THE FIRE DISTRICT. VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICES: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER EHRHART AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, THE POUGHKEEPSIE JOURNAL WAS DESIGNATED AS THE OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE FIRE DISTRICT FOR NOTICES. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER EHRHART AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, TOMPKINS MAHOPAC NATIONAL BANK AND NYCLASS WERE DESIGNATED AS THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR THE EAST FISHKILL FIRE DISTRICT. COMMISSIONER DIXON ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

MEETING DAY AND TIME: A MONTHLY WORKSHOP MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. WITH A MEETING TO FOLLOW, AND THE FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 8:00 P.M. WAS DESIGNATED AS THE OFFICIAL MEETING DAY AND TIME FOR THE EAST FISHKILL FIRE DISTRICT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF OCTOBER 11TH. A PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 19, 2021 WITH A WORKSHOP AND MEETING TO FOLLOW. THIS MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DIXON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS: THE FOLLOWING MEMBERSHIPS WERE APPROVED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DIXON: THE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE DISTRICTS OF NEW YORK STATE, ASSOCIATION OF FIRE DISTRICTS OF DUTCHESS COUNTY, NFPA, NYS GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTORS, ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS, FIRE INVESTIGATION ASSOCIATION, THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL, ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS AND THE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

COMPUTER MAINTENANCE: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, ACT, INC. WILL MAINTAIN THE DISTRICT COMPUTER SYSTEM. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, THOMAS JACKSON WILL DO THE LAWN CARE, LONG POLE LANDSCAPING WILL MAINTAIN THE GARDENING AREAS, ED BLAKE

– ESS WILL MAINTAIN THE RADIO TOWER, BLACK ELECTRIC WILL BE THE ELECTRICIANS, OSSENKOP PLUMBING & HEATING WILL DO PLUMBING AND HEATING/AC AND O'TOOLES SECURITY WILL DO ALL ALARM SYSTEMS AND SECURITY DOORS. TEK MEDICAL, HEALTHQUEST PC, AND PULSE MD WILL ALL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND PHYSICALS. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

APPARATUS STORAGE RENTAL: COMMISSIONER DIXON MADE A MOTION TO MAINTAIN THE STORAGE RENTAL FEES FOR MAIN STATIONS AND FOR SUBSTATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

COMPANY 1 \$70,625.16

COMPANY 2 \$99,695.04 (\$29,069.88 FOR SUBSTATION)

COMPANY 3 \$70,625.16

COMPANY 4 \$99,695.04 (\$29,069.88 FOR SUBSTATION)

THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: AS PER CHAIRMAN McNAMARA, THE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2021 COMMITTEE REPORT

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| MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: | COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI COMMISSIONER McNAMARA |
| TOWN BOARD LIAISON: | COMMISSIONER MCNAMARA COMMISSIONER EHRHART |
| FIRE ADVISORY BD LIAISON: | COMMISSIONER McNAMARA |
| PHYSICALS | COMMISSIONER DIXON |
| CO #1 AND CO. #2 FIRE EQUIPMENT: | COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI |
| CO #3 AND CO #4 FIRE EQUIPMENT: | COMMISSIONER DIXON |
| RESCUE EQUIPMENT: AMBULANCE 1 AND 2 | COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI |
| OTHER EQUIPMENT: ALL DISTRICT EQUIPMENT AT HEADQUARTERS & ALL CHIEF'S VEHICLES | COMMISSIONER DIXON COMMISSIONER EHRHART |
| INSURANCE | COMMISSIONER SHULTIS COMMISSIONER McNAMARA |
| BANKING | COMMISSIONER SHULTIS COMMISSIONER McNAMARA |

EMSTAR ALS LIAISON

COMMISSIONER EHRHART
COMMISSIONER SHULTIS

PURCHASING AGENT(S)

COMMISSIONER EHRHART
COMMISSIONER SHULTIS
BOARD – SECONDARY

RADIO TOWER

COMMISSIONER SHULTIS
COMMISSIONER McNAMARA, CAR 1

ANNUAL DINNER COMMITTEE:

SECRETARY BEYER
COMMISSIONER McNAMARA

HEADQUARTERS BLDG COORDINATOR:

COMMISSIONER SHULTIS
COMMISSIONER EHRHART
BOARD – SECONDARY

APPARATUS COMMITTEE:

COMMISSIONER DIXON
COMMISSIONER SHULTIS

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THIS LIST WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS. ALL IN FAVOR AND MOTION CARRIED.

ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER EHRHART AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI, THE 2021 PROPOSED OFFICER LIST WAS APPROVED.

DESIGNATION OF RESERVE FUNDS: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, THE RESERVE FUNDS WERE DESIGNATED AS FOLLOWS:

RESERVE FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF MAJOR EQUIPMENT WITH A MAXIMUM LIMIT OF \$5,000,000.00

RESERVE FUND FOR BUILDING AND LAND ACQUISITION WITH A MAXIMUM LIMIT OF \$5,000,000.00.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

TRAVEL EXPENSES: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, MILEAGE WILL BE PAID AT THE RATE OF .56 CENTS PER MILE, ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONE MONTH PRIOR FOR APPROVAL BY THE BOARD, AND THE MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT PER DAY FOR MEALS WILL BE \$50 UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED. RECEIPTS MUST BE TURNED IN WITHIN 45 DAYS OF THE EVENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO MEMBERS. DISTRICT VAN 39-68 RULES REMAIN THE SAME. TRUCK RULES FOR 39-69 AND 39-96 REMAIN THE SAME. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

AT THIS POINT, THE RE-ORGANIZATIONAL PORTION OF THE MEETING WAS COMPLETE AND THE REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED.

CHAIRMAN McNAMARA OPENED THE ONLY BID THAT WAS RECEIVED FOR THE 2021 FORD F550 MINI PUMPER. IT WAS FROM MARCO EQUIPMENT SALES, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$291,095.00. THIS BID WAS ACCEPTED AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE TRUCK COMMITTEE FOR FINAL APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER EHRHART REMINDED THE BOARD THAT THERE SHOULD BE A CLAUSE IN THE CONTRACT STATING THAT IF THE VENDOR GOES OVER THEIR SCHEDULED BUILDING TIMEFRAME THERE WILL BE RAMIFICATIONS. THE CONTRACT WILL BE REVIEWED.

VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE PAYABLES AS PRESENTED, TO INCLUDE \$6,500.00 TO DONALDSON CONSTRUCTION AND \$2,900.00 TO PERRI VERONE ROOFING. COMMISSIONER EHRHART SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

THE BANK STATEMENTS WERE OPENED BY CHAIRMAN McNAMARA AND EVERYTHING APPEARS TO BE IN ORDER.

MEMBERSHIPS:

STATION 1 – D’ANDRE BARR – PENDING ARSON, PENDING PHYSICAL
STATION 2 – WILLIAM G. RIMM - PENDING ARSON, PENDING PHYSICAL
STATION 3 – MATTHEW D. SMITH – PENDING ARSON, PENDING PHYSICAL

ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER EHRHART AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, THESE APPLICATIONS WERE APPROVED.

DRIVER:

STATION 3 – BLAINE McCOLLUM

ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER EHRHART AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI, THIS APPLICATION WAS APPROVED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS: ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS \$100,000 WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM NYCLASS GENERAL FUND TO MAHOPAC GENERAL FUND FOR PAYABLES, \$15,000 WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM NYCLASS GENERAL FUND TO MAHOPAC BUSINESS BUILDER, \$20,000 FROM NYCLASS RESERVE BUILDING AND LAND TO MAHOPAC RESERVE BUILDING AND LAND AND \$25,000 FROM NYCLASS MAJOR EQUIPMENT TO MAHOPAC RESERVE MAJOR EQUIPMENT. COMMISSIONER DIXON ABSTAINED. ALL OTHERS VOTED IN FAVOR AND MOTION CARRIED.

CHIEF REPORTS:

DISTRICT CHIEF LACALAMITA GAVE THE BOARD COPIES OF UPDATED MINIMUM TRAINING STANDARDS AND BEST OPERATIONAL PRACTICES THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE APPROVED. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW THESE CHANGES.

COMMISSIONER DIXON MADE MOTION, AT THE REQUEST OF CHIEF LACALAMITA, THAT THE AMBULANCE AND ANOTHER PIECE OF EQUIPMENT GO TO THE BEEKMAN FIRE DISTRICT FOR THE CELEBRATION OF COMMISSIONER KEN MALLEN’S 100TH BIRTHDAY ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 16TH. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JODLOWSKI AND CARRIED.

THE CHIEF ADVISED THE BOARD THAT SINCE CHIEF SALTZBURG IS THE INFECTIOUS CONTROL OFFICER HE WILL BE HANDLING ALL INFORMATION REGARDING COVID AND THE VACCINE. CHIEF SALTZBURG WILL KEEP CHIEF LACALAMITA INFORMED AND ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING COVID WILL BE DIRECTED TO CHIEF SALTZBURG.

CHIEF LACALAMITA ADVISED THE BOARD THAT INSTEAD OF HAVING A DISTRICT CHAPLAIN HE WOULD RATHER HAVE THE CHAPLAINS FROM EACH STATION HANDLE ANYTHING THAT A DISTRICT CHAPLAIN WOULD. THE BOARD AGREED WITH THIS DECISION.

THE CHIEF ALSO ADVISED THE BOARD THAT THE 2020 REPORTS HAVE ALL BEEN SUBMITTED TO COUNTY. HE ALSO ADVISED THAT HE AND CAR 8 ARE WORKING ON SCHEDULING 2021 OSHA CLASSES AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE MEMBERS USE THE ON-LINE LEARNING FOR THE CLASS.

THE BOARD WAS ADVISED BY THE CHIEF THAT JOHN ZBOINSKI WILL BE THE CAPTAIN OF THE FIU IN 2021 AND KARL VOLLMER WILL BE LIEUTENANT.

CHIEF LACALAMITA ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER FORMING A COMMITTEE TO START LOOKING AT GETTING A NEW AMBULANCE, POSSIBLY TWO. IN ADDITION, HE WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO CONSIDER REPLACING THE PICK UP TRUCKS AS THEY ARE AGING. COMMISSIONER EHRHART STATED THIS WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS DECIDED TO START LOOKING INTO A NEW AMBULANCE AND THEY WANTED TO BE SURE TO CHANGE TO THE PICK UP STYLE. COMMISSIONER DIXON MADE A MOTION TO CREATE AN AMBULANCE COMMITTEE. SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS AND CARRIED.

FIRST ASSISTANT CHIEF JACKSON ADVISED THE BOARD THAT HE MET WITH ALL THE COMPANY CHIEFS. IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE JANUARY DISTRICT DRILL WILL BE CANCELLED DUE TO COVID, BUT HE ENCOURAGED THE COMPANY CHIEFS TO DO TRAINING AT THEIR STATIONS. CHAIRMAN McNAMARA ASKED CHIEF SALTZBURG WHERE THE COVID NUMBERS ARE AT AND WAS ADVISED THAT THEY ARE GOING DOWN. CHIEF SALTZBURG REQUESTED COMMISSIONER DIXON REACH OUT TO TEK MEDICAL TO REQUEST ALL PHYSICALS BE FAXED TO HEADQUARTERS AS SOON AS THEY ARE COMPLETED, RATHER THAN HOLD THEM UNTIL THE BILING IS COMPLETED. CHIEF SALTZBURG ADVISED REGULAR CREWS ARE BACK WORKING AT EMSTAR AND THEY ARE BACK ON TRACK RESPONDING.

LT VOLLMER ADVISED THE BOARD THAT THE NEW FIU 39-56 IS AT HOPEWELL FIRE APPARATUS GETTING WORK DONE AND THE ANTENNAS AND CAMERAS WILL BE INSTALLED BY GOOSETOWN. HE ASKED IF THE DECAL FROM STREUBER SERVICES HAD BEEN APPROVED AND COULD MOVE FORWARD. THERE WAS DISCUSS REGARDING USING STREUBER SERVICES. ATTORNEY MACLEOD ADVISED THE BOARD THAT SINCE THE OWNER OF STREUBER SERVICES IS 17 YEARS OLD HE IS NOT LEGAL AGE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE EAST FISHKILL FIRE DISTRICT SO IT IS NOT A LEGAL ACTION TO USE STREUBER SERVICES. LT VOLLMER WAS ADVISED THAT THERE IS A RECALL ON 39-56.

CAPTAIN DEVAN GEHRLEIN ADVISED THE BOARD THAT THE GLASS FOR THE 9/11 MEMORIAL CASE WILL BE \$3,365.00 WITH A \$125.00 CRATE FEE, WHICH IS MORE THAN ORIGINALLY APPROVED. COMMISSIONER DIXON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE GLASS FOR THE 9/11 MEMORIAL CASE AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$3,600.00. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER EHRHART AND CARRIED. CHAIRMAN McNAMARA STATED HE WOULD WORK ON THE THANK YOU LETTER AND PLAQUE FOR THE COMPANY THAT DONATED THE 9/11 MEMORIAL CASE.

CAPTAIN ZBOINSKI ASKED THE BOARD IF WE WOULD BE REIMBURSED MILEAGE SINCE THERE IS NO LONGER A CHIEF CAR FOR THE FIU. CHAIRMAN McNAMARA ADVISED THAT NO ONE IN THE DISTRICT GETS REIMBURSED FOR TRAVELING TO CALLS.

BRUCE PAUBST, ON BEHALF OF MARCO, THANKED THE BOARD FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THEIR BID AND ARE HONORED TO BE WORKING WITH THE EAST FISHKILL FIRE DISTRICT.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DIXON, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN SHULTIS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:55 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

KATHE KAYE
SECRETARY/DEPUTY TREASURER