

December 11, 2023

MEETING OPENED:

The East Fishkill Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular board meeting at district headquarters. Chairman Shultis called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Those members present were: Chairman Shultis, Vice-Chairman Dixon, Commissioner Ehrhart, Commissioner Freer and Commissioner Jodlowski.

All motions were unanimous, unless otherwise stated.

Bank statements were opened by Commissioner Freer. He will contact Treasurer Beyer regarding questions he has on the Empress checks.

BILLS PAYABLE:

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski, the bills payable as presented were approved, to include \$49,583.33 to Empress. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

None.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

None.

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATION:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Request from the Support Group for up to \$200.00 for their year-end meeting (may be held in January).
2. Request from Karl Vollmer for use of the meeting room on February 1, 2024 for the NYS Chapter 23 IAAI meeting, to include lunch.
3. Request from Station 4 to use both pick-up trucks on December 16, 2023 for their Santa Runs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$150,000.00 from NYClass General Fund to Tompkins Checking. Seconded by Commissioner Freer and carried. Vice-Chairman Dixon abstained.

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion to extend the suspension of Firefight 63 until the next meeting on December 27th. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to allow the Support Group up to \$200.00 for their year-end meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Freer and carried.

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion to allow the NYS Chapter 23 IAAI meeting to be held in the meeting room on February 1, 2024, to include lunch. Seconded by Commissioner Ehrhart and carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Ehrhart and seconded by Commissioner Freer, Station 4 is allowed to use both District pick-up trucks for their Santa Run on December 16th. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion to allow Tim Moran to attend FASNY EMS Conference in Selden, January 26-27, 2024, to include travel, meals and lodging. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Dixon and carried.

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion for one firefighter to complete ICS300 online on February 6-8, 2024 at a cost of \$250.00. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Dixon and carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Freer to allow one firefighter to attend Tactical Casualty Care in Westchester, February 20-22, 2024 at a cost of \$525.00. Motion carried.

CHIEF'S REPORTS:

First Assistant Chief Jackson advised that he is working on a procedure to be sure that gear and uniforms are returned when a member resigns or is dropped. New gear issued will now be recorded and kept track of in Halligan. He would like to go through the gear in the basement with a Commissioner or two, as much of it is too old to use. Commissioner Shultis would like to see the District donate this gear to other departments that can't afford gear.

Assistant Chief Saltzburg requested an engine and ambulance be allowed to attend the pre-approved 'Stuff the Cruiser' event that EFPD is holding on the helipad on Saturday, December 16th. Motion made by Vice-Chairman Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski. Motion carried.

Captain Howell advised the Board that Craig Lecker, from Station 4, was nominated for 1st Lieutenant but does not have the qualifications. He is willing to take the necessary classes and Captain Howell thinks he is an excellent candidate. This is being brought to the Boards attention now, as Captain Howell is unable to attend the December 27th meeting. The Board will discuss all nominated candidates that do not have the necessary qualifications at that meeting. If the member is approved, they will be accepted at the January 8th meeting.

First Assistant Chief Elect Dan Jackson, Jr advised the Board that he is looking forward to his new position in 2024.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:03 PM by Vice-Chairman Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer