

December 13, 2021

MEETING OPENED:

The East Fishkill Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular board meeting at district headquarters. Chairman McNamara called the meeting to order at 8:26 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

All motions were unanimous, unless otherwise stated.

Bank statements were opened by Chairman McNamara. There were no issues.

BILLS PAYABLE:

On a motion by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski, the bills payable as presented were approved with the exception of the Spartan HVAC invoice, which will be held until his W9 is received. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Station 1 – Tiana N. Cornwall – Pending Arson, Pending Physical
Steve Zukowski – Pending Arson, Pending Physical
Station 2 – Daren J. Tompkins – Pending Arson – Pending Physical
Station 3 – Joseph N. Mangieri II – Pending Arson, pending physical

On a motion by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Dixon, these applications were approved, pending receipt of physicals and arson reports.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

None.

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATION:

Station 2 – Max Sanchez

On a motion by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Ehrhart, this application was approved for driver.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Change of address/out of district request from Laura Philips (Laura Hussing).
2. Resignation letter from Ryan Syslo – member at Company 1.
3. Request from NYSBOC to use the meeting room for their 2022 meetings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to purchase a 2022 Alexis Pumper Tanker through HGAC, not to exceed \$500,000.00 from the Reserve for Major Equipment.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to reschedule the December 22nd meeting to December 28th. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$150,000.00 from NYClass General Fund to Mahopac Checking and \$50,000 from NYClass Reserve B&L to Mahopac Reserve B&L. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried. Commissioner Dixon abstained.

On a motion by Commissioner Ehrhart and seconded by Commissioner Dixon, NYSBOC will be allowed to use the meeting room for their 2022 meetings.

Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to mandate TEK Medical as the sole provider for the fire district member physicals, effective 2022. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Ehrhart and seconded by Commissioner Dixon, T. Jackson has been approved to do ICS-300 online at a cost of \$250.00.

CHIEF'S REPORTS:

Chief Lacalamita asked when 39-52 was going to be in service. Commissioner Dixon stated the vendor is still working with Chief Gallo as to where everything is getting mounted. Commissioner Dixon has not received any other update. He will call Hopewell Fire Equipment tomorrow to see the status as the new ladder needs some work and the mini-pumper is in and waiting. The 3 pumper tankers will be in at the same time so if the Chiefs know the equipment layout ahead of time it will move the process along quicker. Chief Lacalamita asked if the new ladder was insured and if they can start training on the apron. Chairman McNamara said yes. Chief Lacalamita said he wanted to get people qualified on the ladder and the new 41, so why couldn't it be moved to the station. Chairman McNamara stated 39-52 had to be finished before work on 39-41 starts. Chief Lacalamita stated if it was at the station at least members could be training on it. Vice-Chairman Shultis said it has to have New Hyde Park removed off it before it can travel around town.

Assistant Chief Saltzburg said the computer in the meeting room needs to be updated for the PowerPoint program.

The Rescue Squad would like to take back Saturday daytime rostering for a 12 hour time slot for a 90 day trial beginning January 15.

Chief Saltzburg stated at the beginning of the year they spoke about the possibility of having all OSHA for the mandatory class be online. It is too late to do this for 2022, but he will work on it for 2023. He said he would like the Board to consider changing how they do the OSHA each year. Instead of giving people the 3 month grace period in the new year for OSHA not done in 2022, if all OSHA is not done by September 30, they are put on administrative leave and have until the end of December to get the OSHA done. If it is not done, they will be dropped from the rolls in January. 1st Assistant Chief Jackson said he thinks OSHA should be offered one or two times a year in person, but is in favor of having it be department specific. Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion to accept this proposal and Commissioner Ehrhart seconded. Motion carried.

Chief Saltzburg asked about the chevrons for his vehicle. Commissioner Ehrhart said he needed the vin number to get these.

Chief Saltzburg said there have been a lot of changes in EMS equipment. There is a new EMTS unit that can do what the AED's do, but a lot more too. They cost approximately \$25,000 per unit. He has contacted Empress about the possibility of getting a used unit from them. He will continue to check into this. He said it would replace the need to replace one of the AED's that is budgeted for next year.

Commissioner Jodlowski asked about the Lt. position at Station 3. Chief Saltzburg said the person has all the qualifications, but hadn't been a member long enough, but there are no qualification issues, so there is no problem.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:02 PM by Vice-Chairman Shultis and seconded by Commissioner Dixon

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Beyer
Secretary/Treasurer