

February 12, 2024

MEETING OPENED:

The East Fishkill Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular board meeting at district headquarters. The meeting was called to order at 8:55PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

All motions were unanimous, unless otherwise stated.

Bank statements were not opened at this meeting.

On a motion by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Freer, the bills payable as presented were approved. Motion Carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Station 1 Anthony Moray – Pending Arson
 Nicholas Snowden – Pending Arson, Pending Physical – Jr. Member

On a motion by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski, these applications, pending physical and arsons, were approved.

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATION:

None

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Thank you note from Mission Church.
2. Request from EFPD to use the facility on 2/27 from 7AM to 5:30PM for training.
3. Request from EFPD to use the facility on 2/28 at 2PM for a meeting.
4. Thank you letter from NYS IAAI for use of the facility and lunch for their meeting.
5. Letter from Station 3 dropping Nick McSorley.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion to amend the tax exemption resolution (attached to these minutes) in regard to the number of years, rescinding prior month's motion. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski and carried.

Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion to extend the suspension of Firefighter 63. Seconded by Commissioner Freer and carried.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Shultis and seconded by Commissioner Zboinski to accept the new PPE Issuance Metrics Policy. Motion was carried.

Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion to amend the 2024 budget as proposed. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and carried.

Motion to accept the ESS proposal for backup at the tower in the amount of \$8,479.75 was made by Vice-Chairman Shultis and seconded by Commissioner Freer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion to allow EFPD use of the facility on 2/27 from 7AM to 5:30PM for training and on 2/28 at 2PM for a meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jodlowski to create an ambulance committee for a new ambulance in 2025. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

Commissioner Zboinski made a motion to allow the following members to take Firefighter One at New Hackensack and EFPD; Troy Tucker, John Vicente, Jacob Mullaney and Radwan Ahmad. Motion seconded by Commissioner Freer and carried.

Commissioner Zboinski made a motion to allow the following member to take Incident Safety Officer 2/20 – 3/7 at the Orange County Fire Training Center; Ben Howell. There is no cost for this class. Motion seconded by Commissioner Freer and carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski to allow the Fire Police to purchase 30 hats in the amount not to exceed \$200.00. Motion was carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Zboinski to transfers \$150,000.00 from NYClass General Fund to Tompkins Checking. Commissioner Dixon abstained. Motion was carried.

Chairman Dixon advised Ulster Overhead Doors will be picking up the glass to repair the bay door at Hopewell Hose. The framing damage would be about \$5,000.00 but he may be able to repair instead of replace. The repair to the panel with the 'ding' will be about \$700.00. He will also be doing preventative maintenance on all bay doors.

Vice-Chairman Shultis would like to set up a meeting time with Car 1 to discuss a schedule for purchasing new equipment.

Councilman Marinaro asked about membership within the Fire District and about recruitment and retention. He also asked about training on electric battery fires and advised that the Town has recently passed a resolution regarding electric batteries.

CHIEF'S REPORTS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:20PM a motion was made by Commissioner Freer and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski to enter into Executive Session for discussion regarding the Ferrara lawsuit settlement. There were no motions or votes. At 9:22PM Commissioner Freer made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski and carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:22PM by Commissioner Freer and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer