

July 12, 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 8:32 P.M.

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.

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Shultis and seconded by Commissioner Dixon, the bills payable, to include the ACT renewal, were approved. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Station 1 – Andrew McCabe - Pending Arson and Physical

Station 3 – Michael Roberts – Pending Arson and Physical

On a motion by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis, these applications were approved pending receipt of their arson and physicals.

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATIONS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Hopewell Hose dropping Bret Friedman.
2. Letter from Shenandoah Contractors regarding annual station air compressor maintenance.
3. Resignation letter from Michael Stanek from Hopewell Hose.
4. Request from NYSBOC to use the facility on September 8th and October 13th for their meetings.
5. Letter from Dennis Lanberg requesting a change of address. He is moving out of the District.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Chairman Dixon made a motion to drop the following members from the District rolls for failure to complete their 2020 training requirements:

Station 1 – Laura Hagan, Station 2 – Anthony Federici, Station 3 – Emanuele Marinaro, Station 4 – Paul Glennon, Sylus Gonzalez. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski and carried.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to drop Dennis Lanberg from the District rolls due to moving out of District and not adhering to the sick leave policy requiring a quarterly medical note. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve three Putnam County training sessions/classes our members will be attending, an engine to go to the Pump Op class, two members to attend Service Instructor I at Montour falls (class fee, travel, food, and lodging at Montour to be included) and two members to attend the Flashover class in West Harrison at a cost of \$100 each. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jodlowski to have Shenandoah Contractors do the yearly maintenance on all of the station air compressors. Seconded by Commissioner Dixon and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Chairman McNamara and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to allow NYSBOC use of the facility on 9/8 and 10/13/21 for their meeting. NYSBOC does not charge members a fee to attend the meeting. Motion was carried.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion for the Chairman to sign to transfer the contract from EMStar to Empire State Ambulance Corp. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion for the Chairman to sign the contract with ACT for yearly computer maintenance in the amount of \$16,269.36. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski and carried.

Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion to transfer \$200,000 from NYClass Gen Fund to Mahopac Checking. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski. Commissioner Dixon abstained, all others voted aye.

Chief Lacalamita advised the Board that John Jay High School sent a thank you note for allowing them to borrow cones and hang a flag for their graduation.

He also advised that he has two tickets to the NYSCA conference in Syracuse, if anyone wanted to attend.

There was discuss regarding the alarm going off at the fuel tanks and Vice-Chairman Shultis advised it is a problem with the alarm and the part has been ordered. There is no longer a problem with water getting into the tanks.

Captain Paraskeva requested the Board approve Hook-Fast create a die for the Fire Police Service Award pins, in the amount of \$189.00 and to purchase 100 pins for \$6.50 each. Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion for Hook-Fast to create the die and for 100 pins to be ordered. Seconded by Commissioner Ehrhart and carried.

Assistant Rescue Chief Saltzburg advised the Board that some GlobalFoundries employees will be sitting in on our CME program, which is no cost to the District. In exchange, those GlobalFoundries employees will be responding to calls at John Jay High School and the Amazon warehouse in the future. NYS has no issue with this arrangement.

The laptop in the meeting room continues to have issues with forcing updates. Commission Ehrhart will reach out to ACT for repair.

Chief Saltzburg requested 20 members be authorized to attend Vital Signs in November at a cost of \$245.00 per member, to included hotel for two nights and food. In addition, he would like to have 6 six of those 20 members attend the pre-conference, which would be an additional \$225.00 per member and an additional two nights of hotel and food. Vice-Chairman Shultis made this motion and Commissioner Dixon seconded. Motion carried.

The AED's are beginning to have issues and since they are old, he was told they are not worth repairing. He would like to have some replaced. The new AED's do not require separate adult and pediatric pads, which will save the District money. And, they last five years now. Commissioner Dixon stated it should be worked into the budget for the coming years to replace 3-4 AED's per year.

Chief Saltzburg advised that the Lucas Compression has gotten a lot of use and was placed on one of the EMStar ambulances while 39-71 was out for repair. He wanted the Board to know that the air conditioning was not cold and was only coming out of the defrost. On June 8th it went to EMStar for repair. On June 13th it was returned, but the defrost issue was not repaired. It went back on June 16th and was not returned, in working condition, until July 7th. The Board agreed to see how future repairs go with EMStar and decide if we will continue using them to repair the ambulances.

Decals for Chief cars and apparatus was discussed once again. Chief Saltzburg requested a 911 decal, which we currently have in stock. Commissioner Ehrhart advised that they are working on one design per Company. Once that is settled they will be ordered.

Chief Saltzburg gave each Board member a copy of the proposal from M-Tech Associates for the proposed renovations for a new Medic room. This proposal does not include the flooring and doors. Commissioner Ehrhart made a motion to accept the proposal, in an amount not to exceed \$85,000.00. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

Commissioner Jodlowski congratulated the Rescue Squad and Chief Saltzburg on the awards they received. Claire Moran advised the Board that there will be an award dinner at Roosevelt Fire District on September 22nd and if any Commissioners would like to attend, she will make a reservation. The Board will advise if anyone is available to attend. Claire also asked the Board if they knew what was happening with 30 Cannon Lane, Apt 101, which the ambulance responds to quite often. Commissioner Ehrhart advised that he has discussed this with the Town Supervisor and they are working on a solution. It was suggested the Abilities First be contacted, as this ultimately is their problem to deal with.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:20 PM by Commissioner Ehrhart and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer