

July 11, 2022

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 7:52 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

All motions were unanimous, unless otherwise stated.

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

On a motion by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski, the bills payable were approved. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

None

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATIONS:

Station 4 – Rocco Limitone

On a motion by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Dixon, this application was approved pending insurance approval.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Hopewell Hose dropping Andrew McCabe.
2. Letter Betty Marks requesting a status change to social member from District Support.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Commissioner McNamara to approve the retainer agreement with Napoli Shkolnik, PLLC regarding the PFAS litigation. Seconded by Commissioner Dixon and carried.

Commissioner McNamara made a motion to waive any potential conflict that may be had with the Town of East Fishkill in the PFAS litigation and to sign the waiver of conflict letter from Napoli Shkolnik, PPLC. Seconded by Commissioner Dixon and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion for the Chairman to sign the contract with ACT for yearly computer maintenance in the amount of \$18,536.52. Seconded by Commissioner Dixon and carried.

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion to transfer \$100,000 from NYClass Gen Fund to Mahopac Checking. Seconded by Commissioner McNamara. Commissioner Dixon abstained, all others voted aye.

Chief Lacalamita

1. Requested Board approval for one of the Assistant Chiefs to have administrative access to the District website. Request denied.

2. Advised he would like to move the 6-wheeler and trailer to Station 2, in the 39-12 bay. It fits well in the bay and will be covered year round. He thinks it will be good to use on the bike path. He would like maintenance to look at the adapter/plug for the lights.
3. Station 1 requested they have the fan that is in the basement for use at Global Foundries and on mutual aid calls. This was approved.
4. A request has been made for a copier in the new training building. Commissioner Ehrhart stated there is an old printer/copier in the basement that he would like to see moved into that building. Maintenance will make sure it works and put it the new building.
5. Appreciation Day is in August and he requested the secretaries rent blow ups for the kids.
6. Another request for a Car 2 plaque was made.

Assistant Chief Jackson

1. Advised that Lion was here on July 7th to pull wire on the Bullex System, but he has not had any updates. The Board requested he reach out to Lion for an update and to see if they still think the work will be completed by August.
2. There will be an extrication class, which will use most of the remaining cars for training that we have. He would like to see the Board try to get more cars for training. Commissioner Jodlowski put a notice on the District Facebook page.
3. Additional discussion regarding the Minimum Qualifications policy. Attorney McLeod will work on adding clear language to the policy regarding members not having the necessary qualifications but getting elected to positions.

Assistant Rescue Chief Saltzburg

1. Requested the Board allow medical residents from Vassar Hospital to ride in the ambulance. Vice-Chairman Ehrhart made a motion, as long as we have a Certificate of Insurance, and Commissioner Dixon seconded.
2. Advised that 39-72 will be participating in a drill with Hughsonville.
3. There will be a meeting with the Rescue Squad officers on retention and new fire/EMS membership. He requested permission to purchase food. This was approved.
4. The a/c in the sleeping quarters has been leaking. Ossenkop will be contacted for repair.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:00 PM the Board went into Executive Session. Those present were Chairman Shultis, Vice-Chairman Ehrhart, Commissioner McNamara, Commissioner Dixon, Commissioner Jodlowski, Chief Lacalamita, 1st Assistant Chief Jackson, Attorney McLeod and Secretary Kaye. No action was taken during this session. Executive Session ended at 9:19 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:19 PM by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Vice-Chairman Ehrhart.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer