

December 9, 2024

MEETING OPENED:

The East Fishkill Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular board meeting at district headquarters. Chairman Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:46 PM

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 opened by Commissioner Freer. There were no issues.

BILLS PAYABLE:

On a motion by Vice-Chairman Shultis and seconded by Commissioner Zboinski, the bills payable as presented were approved. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Station 2 – George J. Tremblay – pending arson, pending physical

Station 4 – Matthew C. DiFalco – pending physical

Isebailla G. Hewitt – pending physical

On a motion by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Freer, these new members were accepted.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

None.

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATION:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Leave of absence request from Lynne Stuart, Station 1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Commissioner Freer made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$150,000.00 from NYClass General Fund to Tompkins Checking and \$10,000.00 from NYClass General Fund to Tompkins Money Market. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and carried. Chairman Dixon abstained.

Commissioner Freer made a motion to enter into a service agreement with Safety Instruments and authorize the Chairman to sign the contract. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Zboinski made a motion to approve Station 1 and Station 2's participation in Fishkill's Parade of Lights. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

Commissioner Zboinski made a motion drop Joanna Finger – Station 2 and Raymond Maseda – Station 4 for not adhering to the District Physical Policy. Seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski and carried.

CHIEF'S REPORTS:

Chief Jackson invited the Board to attend the Officers meeting on December 10th. He has invited the old and new Officers to attend and a meal will be served. He also advised that the District Drill next week will be the holiday party. The budget line for food training is low. He has discussed with Secretary

Beyer that he would like the Officers meeting food to come out of the Chief budget. The Board will look into the commissioner's budget to cover the food for the District Drill.

Commissioner Dixon would like to, in the future, see more meetings and trainings in the new training building.

There was discussion regarding the Election and Minimum Requirements policies. These two policies will be reviewed by the Commissioners and Chief officers at a meeting in January.

Assistant Chief Saltzburg advised the Board of membership issues the Rescue Squad has been having. He would like to see more recruitment.

There was discussion regarding a new ambulance.

Chief Saltzburg requested six members be allowed to attend the FASNY conference on January 25th. Members wanting to go to the pre-conference on the 24th will need hotel accommodations. The cost for the conference is \$25 a day per member and includes lunch. He is also requesting transportation. On a motion made by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis, this conference has been approved.

Discussion regarding EMT's under the age of 18 not being allowed to calls on I84 and the Taconic Parkway. Per the District attorney and insurance company, this policy should not be changed to allow EMT's on these highways.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:25 PM by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer