

Regular Meeting

April 11, 2023

Chairman Brian Ellensohn called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Merrick Fire District to order at 8:10 PM. Those present were; Commissioner Brian Ellensohn, Commissioner James McCauley, Commissioner Scott Rockwin, and Commissioner Paul Wilders. Also present were; District Treasurer Maura Fabian, District Attorney Joseph Pusateri, and District Clerk David Ward.

A salute to the flag led by Commissioner Ellensohn.

A motion by Commissioner Rockwin, seconded by Commissioner Wilders, unanimously passed to accept the following reports: (Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders - yes).

The Bank Account Book Balances dated April 11, 2023.

The Minutes from the Interim Meeting Minutes dated April 4, 2023.

The Minutes from the Board Business Meeting dated March 14, 2023.

The “Expenses by Vendor Detail” dated April 11, 2023.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:

At this time all correspondence was read; any requiring further action will be handled under new business.

A letter from Liberty Water Company.

A letter from Nassau County Legislature, Thomas McKeivitt.

A letter from the Town of Hempstead concerning truss construction in a new home on Stevens Avenue.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

David Ward reported no new applications for membership.

Lost and Damaged Reports:

David Ward reported on work orders.

Local Government and Community Relations(AC):

Commissioner Wilders reported progress.

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on a conversation he had with Mickey Kane from Liberty Water.

David Ward reported on the COVID 19 FEMA Grant DR4480.

David Ward reported he is working applying for money re-imbusement for the Radio

Grant.

Building(BE,SR,JR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on the building roof and replacement HVAC units.

Chief's and District Vehicles (BE,SR, PW):

Commissioner Rockwin reported the following;

The 2022 Chevrolet Tahoe was serviced by Jerrys' Car Care

The 2022 Chevrolet Tahoe will be repaired by RED's LED.

The Drill team bus was serviced and had the tires replaced on the unit.

The 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe and the 2022 Chevrolet Tahoe will be detailed by Dennis Detailing.

Commissioner Ellensohn reported the 2017 Chevrolet Silverado was repaired from a recent accident.

Equipment (BE,SR):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on equipment.

Fire Department Personnel (JM,PW):

A discussion was held on personnel.

Uniforms (BE,JR,PW):

Commissioner Wilders reported on uniform equipment.

Fire Apparatus and Ambulance Repairs (BE, SR, PW):

Commissioner Rockwin reported the following:

The foam pump for the 2004 Spartan (Unit 671) is being repaired and will be re-installed in the vehicle when complete.

Truck committee 674

Utilities (BE, PW):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on utilities.

Auditing (KB, MF):

Maura Fabian reported on progress.

Legal (JP):

Joseph Pusateri reported

Insurance (JM, JR):

Commissioner reported on insurances.

Computers and Web Site (BE,PW):

Commissioner Wilders reported on computers and the website.

Training (Fire and Administrative) (PW):

Commissioner Wilders reported on training.

Four Towns (JM,PW):

Commissioner Wilders reported on the Four Towns Training Center.
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Radio (JM,SR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on radios.

Purchasing Policies & Procedures (SR,JR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on purchasing.

Medical Equipment (JM, JR):

Commissioner Rogers reported on medical equipment.

District Employees (C.O.B, SR,JR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on District Employees.

District Policies and Procedures (AC):

Maura Fabian reported the following Account Transfer/Electronic Debit:

Date	From	To	Amount
4/11/2023	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 50,000.00
4/10/2023	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 100,000.00
4/5/2023	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 13,613.64
3/31/2023	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 122.71
3/22/2023	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 22,669.63
3/21/2023	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 25,000.00
3/21/2023	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 43,597.85
3/17/2023	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 124.71

Inventory Control (SR,JR):

David Ward reported the following changes to inventory;
Computer screen not working, replaced and old screen discarded not cost effective to repair s/n CN-0FP182-71618-761-GG8D, discarded.

A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Wilders unanimously passed for the disposal/surplus of the inventory listed above.

(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders – yes).

Installation Dinner (AC):

Commissioner McCauley reported on the Installation Dinner.

Length of Service Awards Program (BE,JM.):

Commissioner McCauley reported on the Length of Service Awards Program.

EMS Certifications and Ambulance Narcotics (C.O.B, BE, JR):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported progress.

Old Business:

New Business:

A motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Ellensohn unanimously approved to accept the resignation of Glenn Torchia;

(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders-yes).

A motion by Commissioner Rockwin, seconded by Commissioner Ellensohn unanimously approved to have Engine Company # 1 to form a Truck Committee for the replacement of the 1999 Spartan (Unit 674);

(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders-yes).

A motion by Commissioner Rockwin, seconded by Commissioner Wilders, unanimously approved the following purchase requisitions

(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders-yes).

Everclean Inc \$ 2,790.00

A motion by Commissioner Rockwin , seconded by Commissioner Wilders unanimously approved the following budget line items transfers for the year 2022.

(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders-yes).

North Merrick Fire District		
Amendments to Budgetary Appropriations		
For the year ended December 31, 2022		
A-3410.1 Payroll Expenses		4,680.00
A-3410.2 (E) Equipment		
	Purchase of Equipment	(50,790.00)
A-3410.4 Contractual		
	.4(AT) Administrative Training	(17,955.00)
	.4(DI) Department Inspection	1,515.00
	.4(FT) Fire Training	(33,050.00)
	.4(F) Fuel	6,235.00
	.4(H) Hydrants	(11,390.00)
	.4(I) Insurance	(45,645.00)

	.4(L) Licenses, Fees, Other Charges	4,565.00
	.4(MED) Medical Supplies	22,645.00
	.4(MS) Maintenance Supplies	(17,890.00)
	.4(MSC) Maintenance Service Contracts	(4,000.00)
	.4(O) Office Supplies	(3,060.00)
	.4(P) Postage	7,610.00
	.4(PDS) Parades, Drills and Stand-by	5,230.00
	.4(PF) Physical Fitness	2,225.00
	.4(PHY) Physicals	18,120.00
	.4(PS) Professional Services	43,605.00
	.4(PLN) Publication of Legal Notice	75.00
	.4(RAE) Repairs - Apparatus & Equipment	98,490.00
	.4(RBG) Repairs - Buildings & Grounds	(3,495.00)
	.4(T) Telephone	(200.00)
	.4(U) Uniforms	(2,540.00)
	.4(UT) Utilities	5,705.00
9010 State Retirement System		(12,995.00)
9030 Social Security		500.00
9040 Workers' Compensation		(25,105.00)
9055 Disability		380.00
9788 Leases		6,535.00
Net adjustments to budget		-

A motion by Commissioner Rockwin, seconded by Commissioner Wilders unanimously approved the following budget line items transfers from the year 2022.
(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders-yes).

A motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Ellensohn unanimously approved to send the roof replacement out to bid.
(Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Wilders-yes).

Permissive referendum \$300,000. Building repairs. Capital Project

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted
David M. Ward
District Clerk



North Merrick Fire District

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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Notice of Permissive Referendum

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Merrick Fire District in the Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York, at a regular business meeting held on April 11, 2023, duly adopted the following resolution, subject to a permissive referendum.

Resolution # 1

A resolution authorizing the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Merrick Fire District in the Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York to expend monies from the Building and Grounds capital reserve fund to replace the building roof, upon such terms, specification and conditions as the Board of Fire Commissioners may determine. Said costs shall not exceed \$ 300,000. (Three Hundred Thousand Dollars).

Be it resolved by Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Merrick Fire District in the Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to section 6 – G subdivision 7 of the General Municipal Law, the monies authorized for this expenditure shall be paid from the Building and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund.

By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners
North Merrick Fire District.
David M. Ward District Clerk
April 11, 2023