

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

A salute to the flag led by Chief Dan Fasano.

At this time the January 2024 Chiefs requests were gone over;

A motion by Commissioner Rockwin, seconded by Commissioner Ellensohn, unanimously approve/deny or table the items on the list below as indicated in **BLUE**: (Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Rogers – yes, Commissioner Wilders – yes).

Board of Fire Commissioners / Chiefs' Office Meeting

Tuesday January 9, 2024

ENGINE COMPANY 1

NEW REQUESTS

none

OUTSTANDING REQUESTS

gear rack

ENGINE COMPANY 2

NEW REQUESTS

none

OUTSTANDING REQUESTS

none

TRUCK COMPANY 1

NEW REQUESTS

none

OUTSTANDING REQUESTS

none

RESCUE COMPANY 1

NEW REQUESTS

none
OUTSTANDING REQUESTS
none

STUMP JUMPERS
DRILL TEAM

NEW REQUESTS
none

OUTSTANDING REQUESTS
none

LADIES AUXILIARY

NEW REQUESTS
none
OUTSTANDING REQUESTS
none

CHIEFS' OFFICE
Fuel logs submitted
Department LOSAP & Percentages submitted

6700 REPORT

NEW REQUESTS
Request Hall Saturday February 3 2024 9 am for CPR class
Livine.
Helmet and Helmet shield, White Chief's Coat for 6702
Hoping the board will continue to help out the department with
fund drive.
OUTSTANDING REQUESTS
Monument Dedication

6701 REPORT
NEW REQUESTS
Class B tags
<<NAMES WITHHELD>> #170,177,
OUTSTANDING REQUESTS
none

6702 REPORT
NEW REQUESTS
4 Claim forms
1 Purchase Request

OUTSTANDING REQUESTS

none

At this time 20:15, a motion by Commissioner Wilders, seconded by Commissioner Rogers, unanimously approved to go into Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel, and returned 2025.

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

2023 BUDGET REQUESTS

CHIEFS' OFFICE Long Island Fire Technology Pre Plan Company (see requested sites)

ENGINE COMPANY 1 none

ENGINE COMPANY 2 none

TRUCK COMPANY 1 none

RESCUE COMPANY 1 Multi-Pack Rescue Cart with 4 Outlets 4500 PSI (see printout)

DRILL TEAM \$10,000 monetary assets for miscellaneous repairs on apparatus, equipment, fuel, fabrication, and safety upgrades. This will be contingent on approval, and receipts from vendors as in the past.

Personal safety equipment as needed to include up to six (6) DOT approved helmets, eight (8) pairs of knee and elbow pads, and eight (8) pairs of gloves.

Three (3) lengths of single jacket tournament style hose un-coupled with tournament

couplings separate. (South Shore Fire Safety Equipment, Jolly Tinker Hose, Key Hose, Fire Hose Direct).

One (1) length of tournament motor pump hard suction hose with couplings attached (as needed).

Three (3) Coleman 316 series 100 can coolers with heavy duty wheels in Rock Grey. (Received)

Requested Pre-Plan Addresses:

Start with all Businesses in the North Merrick Fire District

Start at Ticket Craft and move east on Jerusalem ave.

Move south on Merrick Ave including all that have been done by the companies this year.

If any addresses are left we would like to target all schools in our District.

Chief Higgins,

Thank you for allowing LI Fire Technology to assist you in keeping your firefighters safer & more efficient through building pre-planning. As you requested, I have attached our contract; proof of insurance. Once the contract is approved, I would like to meet with you to kick-off the project.

The Next Steps

1. Allow LI Fire Tech. secure access to your dispatch database.

2. Meet to discuss the following;
 1. Starting point in Fire District & review district boundaries.
 2. Review pre-plan layout & customize to meet your needs.
 3. Review typical item descriptions and abbreviations & customize to your preferences.

3. Get the project started

What we will need from you

1. District Map (a loner is fine; we can make copies)
2. Temporary ID Cards - Usual tile is "Fire Prevention"

Looking forward to working with you,
 Joseph Giordano
 L.I. Fire Technology
 Office (516) 799-2009
 Mobile (516)729-2832

At this time, 2030 a motion by Commissioner Ellensohn, seconded by Commissioner Rockwin, unanimously approved to go into executive session to discuss matters of personnel, and returned at 2040 : (Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Rogers – yes, Commissioner Wilders – yes).

At this time 2105, the Chiefs were excused, and the meeting continued.

At this time Maura Fabian read the Treasurers report.

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

The Bank Account Book Balances dated January 9, 2024.

The Minutes from the Board Business Meeting dated December 5, 2023.

The Minutes from the Re-Organizational Meeting dated January 7, 2024.

The "Expenses by Vendor Detail" dated January 9, 2024.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:

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

- A letter from Waterway.
- A letter from Pinsky Law Group.
- A letter from Congressman D'Esposito.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

David Ward reported on new applications for membership.

Lost and Damaged Reports:

David Ward reported on work orders.

Local Government and Community Relations(AC):

Commissioner Wilders reported on grants.

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on the AFG Grant.

Building(BE, SR, JR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on the building, and low voltage lighting.

David Ward reported on building repairs.

Commissioner Wilders reported on the last 4 air conditioning units rescheduled for replacement.

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

Commissioner Rockwin reported on repairs to the 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe.

A discussion was held on the new chiefs car for 2025.

Equipment (BE, SR):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on equipment.

Commissioner Wilders reported on self contained breathing apparatus.

Fire Department Personnel (JM, JR, PW):

A discussion was held on personnel.

Recruitment & Retention) (BE, PW):

A discussion was held on the meeting with First Arriving.

Uniforms (BE, PW):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on uniform equipment.

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

Commissioner Rockwin reported the following:

Commissioner Rogers reported on the replacement 1999 Spartan (unit 674).

Utilities (BE, PW):

Commissioner Rogers reported on utilities.

Auditing (PC, MF):

Patrick Cunningham gave his report.

Maura Fabian reported progress.

Legal (JP):

At this time Joseph Pusateri gave his report.

Insurance (JM, JR):

Commissioner Rogers reported

Computers and Web Site (BE,PW):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported

Training (Fire and Administrative) (PW):

Commissioner Rockwin reported

Four Towns (JM, PW):

Commissioner Wilders reported on the Four Towns Training Center.

Radio (JM,SR):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on portable radio equipment.

Purchasing Policies & Procedures (SR, JR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported progress.

Medical Equipment (JM, JR):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on AED pads, it was decided that the chiefs will confirm the necessary

District Employees (BE, PW):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on District Employees.

District Policies and Procedures (AC):

Maura Fabian reported the following Account Transfer/Electronic Debit:

Date	From	To	Amount
1/9/2024	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 175,000.00
1/9/2024	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 12,708.12

Inventory Control (SR, JR):

David Ward reported APC batter backup b/c 01408 not working replaced with new, discarded.

A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Rockwin, unanimously approved to dispose of the above mentioned inventory.

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

Installation Dinner (AC):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on the Installation Dinner to be held on Saturday March 9, 2024.

David Ward reported the invites are ordered.

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

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on the Length of Service Awards Program.

EMS Certifications and Ambulance Narcotics (BE, JR):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported Kevin O’Hara submitted the Semi-Annual Controlled License Inventory Form for EMS Agencies to the New York State Department of Health in a timely fashion.

EMS Cost Recovery (JR, SR):

Commissioner Rogers reported progress.

Old Business:

New Business:

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

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

Apple	\$	2747.95
Zoll	\$	619.50
Dell	\$	1879.89

A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Rockwin, unanimously approved the membership application of Serena & Caban, Palmer Serena pending the completion of background checks, passing of class “A” physicals, and drug test..

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

A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Rockwin, unanimously approved to sent Commissioner Paul Wilders and Ex-Captain Michael Brinkley to the FDIC/JEMS conference to be held in Indianapolis IN, April 15 – 20, 2024.

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

A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Rockwin, unanimously approved transfers from the First National Bank to New York Class Accounts.

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

1/9/2024	FNBLI	NY CLASS (A & E 0294 TO NYC 0002)	\$	700,000.00
1/9/2024	FNBLI	NY B & G 0310 TO NYC0003)	\$	250,00.00

A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Rockwin, unanimously approved to offer Brandon Cohen the position of Part Time Firehouse Maintainer.

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

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted
David M. Ward
District Clerk