

Regular Meeting

April 9, 2024

Chairman James Rogers called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Merrick Fire District to order at 8:00 PM. Those present were; Commissioner Brian Ellensohn, Commissioner James McCauley, Commissioner Scott Rockwin, and Commissioner James Rogers. 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 Ellensohn, unanimously passed to accept the following reports: (Commissioner Ellensohn – yes, Commissioner McCauley – yes, Commissioner Rockwin – yes, Commissioner Rogers – yes.

The Bank Account Book Balances dated April 9, 2024.

The Minutes from the Interim Meeting Minutes dated April 2, 2024.

The Minutes from the Board Business Meeting dated March 12, 2024

The “Expenses by Vendor Detail” dated April 9, 2024.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:

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

No correspondence received.

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 Ellensohn reported progress.

Building(BE,SR,JR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on the soda tap machine.

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on building air conditioning.

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on the monument, it was decided a dedication is scheduled for Sunday September 8, 2024.

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

Commissioner Rockwin reported the new 2024 chiefs vehicle.

Equipment (BE,SR):

David Ward reported on replacement office chairs.
David Ward reported on firefighter gear, in storage.

Fire Department Personnel (JM,PW):

A discussion was held on personnel.

Recruitment & Retention (BE, PW):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on recruitment and retention. Recruit New York to be held on Sunday April 14, 2024.

Uniforms (BE,JR,PW):

David Ward reported on uniform equipment in storage.

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

Commissioner Rockwin reported the following:

Repairs to the 2008 Spartan (unit 672).

Repairs to the 2004 Spartan (unit 671).

Utilities (BE, PW):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on utilities.

Auditing (KB, MF):

Maura Fabian reported on progress.

Legal (JP):

At this time 2040 Joseph Pusateri requested the Board go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters. A motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner McCauley unanimously approved to go into Executive Session, and returned at 2055.

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Insurance (JM, JR):

Commissioner McCauley reported on insurances.

Computers and Web Site (BE,PW):

Commissioner Ellensohn reported on computers and the website.

Training (Fire and Administrative) (PW):

David Ward reported on training.

Four Towns (JM,PW):

David Ward reported on the Four Towns Training Center. Next meeting to be held on Tuesday May 14, 2024 at North Merrick at 7 PM.

Radio (JM,SR):

Commissioner Rockwin reported on radio equipment.

Purchasing Policies & Procedures (SR,JR):

Commissioner Rogers 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
4/9/2024	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 75,000.00
3/29/2024	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 124.64
3/15/2024	FNBLI	FNBLI (General Account Transfer)	\$ 861.72
3/15/2024	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 128.85
7/3/2021	FNBLI	ADP	\$ 14,999.82

Inventory Control (SR,JR):

David Ward reported the following changes to inventory;

OFFICE CHAIRS (reached end of life some chairs broken) from year 2009 b/c # 00833, b/c 00834, b/c 00835, b/c 00838, from YEAR 2017 b/c 01317, b/c 01318, b/c 01319, b/c 01322
Firefighter Gear Pants; reached end of life, destroyed and discarded
s/n:6401251,2;4836651,2;2775471,2;2175291,2;1763211,2

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

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Installation Dinner (AC):

Commissioner McCauley reported on the 2024 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.

EMS Cost Recovery (JR, SR):

Commissioner Rogers reported on EMS cost recovery.

Old Business:

New Business:

none

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted
David M. Ward
District Clerk