

Montauk Fire District
September 27, 2023
Commissioners Workshop Meeting 18:30 hours

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Richard Schoen
John Mark
Charles “Chip” McLean

Also Present: Chief Kenneth Glogg, and Secretary-Treasurer Dawn E Lucas.

Call Meeting to Order:

Chairman Schoen called the meeting to order at 18:30 hours and asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Secretary's Report:

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner McLean motioned to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2023 Regular Meeting with said corrections, seconded by Commissioner Mark; motioned/passed/carried.

Purchase Requisitions- Ms. Lucas presented a purchase requisition for medical supplies totaling \$164.10. Commissioner McLean motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Mark; motioned/passed/carried.

Time Off Request: Ms. Lucas is requesting two days off November 3rd and 6th. Commissioner McLean motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Mark; motioned/passed/carried.

Audit of the Bills:

Bills: Ms. Lucas presented bills for payment, totaling \$20,246.86, Commissioner Mark motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned/passed/carried. Ms. Lucas also presented two more bills totaling \$597 for new tires and an alignment for 9-317 that was done yesterday. Commissioner McLean motioned to pay, seconded by Commissioner Mark; motioned/passed/carried.

Chairman Schoen discussed the leakage problem. The contractor is coming back to correct the issue. We had water come into the building due to the heavy rain we had. The water got behind the membrane which pulled away from the bricks and there are weep holes in the brick also. The contractor is going to dig it out and reattach the membrane to the brick and put a gutter underneath the weep holes so the water will not go down next to the building. We did get billed for partial payment

and contractor is asking for this payment to cover his payroll expenses for what was done so far. They will be back to refasten the sheet. Ms. Lucas explained this is a prevailing wage job, they submit invoice based on completion of job, which they have not submitted until now. The invoice will show total amount of job, total completion to date, less retain-age. The invoice was submitted before the rain and water issues. No extra billing for the membrane to be reattached. Chairman Schoen stated we can pay it, hold off until we have a full board or decide not to pay it until we are satisfied with the work. Commissioner McLean mentioned the guys did spend quite some time doing the work but would like to know if there was a fault in the plans and if so is this correction going to fix the fault. The decision of the board at this time is to hold off payment.

Workshop Topics

Tree Care- not all Commissioner's are present and Chief Joyce was not able to review.

Handicap Bathroom- Commissioner Schoen was approached by a member at the Big Bucks event claiming we have no handicap bathroom. We do have one its on the second floor behind the elevator. Also Commissioner McLean stated we had an ADA compliant handicap port a potty that day for the event. Chief Glogg asked if that bathroom is labeled accordingly. Chairman Schoen said it is being taken care of.

Chief's Report:

- Chief Glogg mentioned about a month ago the TERC team competing in a competition at Hagerman Fire Department . It's October 19- 21st. Entry fee is \$1, 000.00They will need 3 hotel rooms at \$189 per day totaling \$1,134.00 and a per diem rate of \$69 per day per man totaling \$1,242.00. Ms Lucas will double check per diem rates. They will also need the van those days too. Total for everything is about \$3,376.00. Commissioner Mark motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner McLean; motioned./passed/carried.
- Chief Glogg did mention that Ms Lucas texted him about purchases that came in and left the order sheets on his desk as requested. He just has to get everything put away.
- Chairman Schoen mentioned it's the end of September, there is only one more month left to get physicals in. There are about 13 and if they don't get them done, some will either be suspended until they complete their physical which means they can not receive points or even be in building while on suspension or dropped from the rolls because of a non qualifying year the previous year.
- Chief Glogg did mention that the members that received a letter last year will be talked to and they might submit a letter of resignation. Chairman Schoen did remind the chief if they write a letter they are not going out in good standing and if they want to rejoin they have to wait a year and start the process all over again, but if they go out in good standing the membership can vote them back in.
- Chief stated in October we start back up with everything, meeting, drills and the Yaphank drill.
- Chairman Schoen stated at the department meeting one new member was not read, chief confirmed but his name was brought up on the floor. Chairman asked if there was an issue with him because someone stated the may be a potential arson conviction. Chief said there is that possibility and it may be strong, Eddie Ecker is doing the background check. Chief said they will hold up nominations for him until his full background check comes back, but it won't matter if he is voted in October or November. Chairman Schoen said this board has final say on who we take in. This board will enforce the by-laws which plainly states any arson or felony conviction immediate dismissal.

- Commissioner McLean asked in regards to the nine remaining potential candidates are we waiting on their background checks also? Chairman Schoen stated they get voted in dependent on the completion of the background check.

Commissioner McLean motioned to adjourn meeting @ 19:00 hrs, seconded by Commissioner Mark; motioned/passed/carried.