**MINUTES** 

Montauk Fire District October 15, 2024 Budget Meeting 18:32 hours

Commissioners Present: Richard Schoen, Chairman

Carmine Marino

Charles "Chip" McLean

Michael Mirras

Also Present: Secretary-Treasurer Dawn E Lucas

## **Call Meeting to Order:**

Chairman Schoen called the Budget Meeting to order at 18:32 hours asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for the departed.

**Resolution NO. 1 Override Real Property Tax Cap for 2025 Budget-** Chairman Schoen read the resolution out loud (attached) and it was put to a vote as follows;

Chairman Schoen- YES Vice-Chairman Wright- ABSENT

Commissioner Marino- YES

Commissioner McLean-YES

Commissioner Mirras- YES

The resolution was thereupon duly declared to have been adopted.

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**Resolution No. 2** Approve Final Budget- Chairman Schoen read the resolution out loud (attached) and the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby approves the Final Budget for the Montauk Fire District for 2025 attached hereto and made a part hereof in the amount of \$4,029,021.00. The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and the vote was as follows;

Chairman Schoen-YES

Vice-Chairman Wright-ABSENT

Commissioner Marino- YES

Commissioner McLean- YES

Commissioner Mirras- YES

The resolution was thereupon duly declared to have been adopted.

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Commissioner McLean noted the date on the agenda was incorrect, needs to be fixed. Also Commissioner Mirras asked about changing the names on the letterhead, Chairman Schoen stated after the new year.

There are four Commissioners leaving Sunday for Turning Stone, need to figure out logistics. Commissioner Mirras would like to leave around 12pm from his office.

Commissioner Mirras noted that Joe Lenahan wanted to talk about some training he has secured. At an extrication event at Hagerman Fire Department there was a great training on Electric vehicles, lithium ion battery storage facilities and solar panels. He was able to secure the gentleman to come to Montauk free of charge and is requesting use of the meeting room November 9<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 2pm. Its a 4 hour seminar and 1 hour for lunch. Chairman Schoen asked if the kitchen will be needed. He said probably and will ask the chief for a small budget. Joe is also going to reach out to the departments in the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> districts. We have a battery storage facility, East Hampton does, it's not back up and running because of the fire it had. We also have a lot of electric vehicles and people aren't trained enough or have enough knowledge about them. Ms. Lucas did mention the capacity of the room is 135 people. No objection from the board just get permission from the chief to utilize the kitchen.

Chairman Schoen motioned to go into Executive Session @ 18:45 hours regarding Employee contracts, seconded by Commissioner Marino; motioned/passed/carried.

Commissioner Mirras motioned to go back into regular session @ 19:53 hours, seconded by Commissioner Marino; motioned/passed/carried.

Commissioner McLean motioned to adjourn @ 19:54 hours, seconded by Commissioner Marino; motioned/passed/carried.

## Adjourned 19:54 hours