

Board of Fire Commissioners  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
February 12, 2025

Draft Minutes

Subject to Board review, amendment and approval.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Magerle.

In attendance:

- Chairman Andrew Magerle
- Commissioner Kurt Martin
- Commissioner Rick Oh
- 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Mike Conforti
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. K.C. Anna
- District Manager James Magerle
- District Secretary/Treasurer Denise Spada

Commissioners Schondebare and Gaito were excused.

Salute to the Flag and a moment of silence.

Chief's Report:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief presented the Chief's report in Chief Weber's absence. 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Conforti welcomed Commissioner Martin to the Board. 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Conforti indicated he would like to order replacement blue work shirts. The Board asked him to get a quote and present it at the next meeting. 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Conforti informed the Board that he has received the Ex-Chief's ring for Ex-Chief Spada and asked the Board if they would cover the cost (\$1,000.00) of the Chief's Council dinner that will be held at Halesite next month. Commissioner Martin put forth a motion to pay \$1,000.00 for the Chief's Council dinner this year and \$500.00 for 2026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Oh and unanimous. 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Conforti initiated a discussion on the Pro EMS Solutions program and informed the Board he was impressed with the demonstration, he uses the system at work and it is very efficient. The approximate start up cost would be \$5,000.00 and it would replace the ESO system that is currently being used. Commissioner Oh put forth a motion to move forward with a demo of the system, seconded by Commissioner Martin and unanimous. 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Conforti requested a scanner for his vehicle at an approximate cost of \$400.00. Commissioner Martin put forth a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Oh and unanimous. 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Conforti complimented the Firehouse Attendants on how well the grounds were cleared from snow the morning of the pancake breakfast.

Addendum – On Feb. 18, 2025 District Manager Magerle informed District Sec/Treasurer Spada that Chief Conforti was not asking for a Demo on the Pro EMS, he was asking to switch from ESO to Pro EMS Solutions. In turn, District Manager Magerle emailed the Board for approval to make the switch; Chairman Magerle, Commissioners Martin, Schondebare and Gaito were all in

favor of making the switch and Commissioner Oh stated he would like to see a demo. By a vote of four to one, the switch was approved.

District Manager's Report:

- Fire District Manager Magerle presented his report and highlighted the following:
  - Apparatus: Vehicle 222 is waiting on parts for an auxiliary air pump to be replaced and vehicle 228 had a damaged steering box replaced, a Mars light repaired, and the Officer's seatbelt sensor adjusted. Commissioner Martin asked if vehicle 221 is being checked for the same issues and District Manager Magerle confirmed it was. Huntington replaced the front driver's side directional signal on vehicle 2210 and Waterway will be conducting the annual vehicle pump tests soon.
  - Equipment: Fourth Stage conducted an air quality test on the air machine and Diversified Mechanical repaired a coolant issue with the walk-in refrigerator. The annual fire extinguisher inspection has been completed and the 2025 maintenance contract for All Weather Heating and Cooling has been signed. Preventative maintenance was performed on the boiler unit and Fire Safety Cleaning Corp. completed hood and duct cleaning on both cooking hoods. TK Elevator repaired a grinding noise in the elevator shaft and All Weather installed an A/C unit in the new IT room. Electrical power was hooked up for the new the A/C unit by Bill Dennis Electric.
  - Communications: IWT has yet to schedule the Cove Rd. repairs as they are still waiting on parts and six new pagers have been ordered. District Manager Magerle informed the Board that the Cove Rd. line Verizon bill increased approximately \$2,100.00 due to increased tariff fees. Chairman Magerle asked District Manager Magerle the contact for Light Path for a quote.
  - Building and Grounds: Second floor bathroom renovations have begun and Milcon installed the pitch pocket for the new A/C unit. VFIS conducted a risk assessment and their only recommendation was that the trucks should be outfitted with hose covers. The 2025 lawn application contract has been signed.
  - Personnel: Ninety-five hours of overtime were reported for the month of January.

District Secretary/Treasurer Spada presented her report:

- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Oh, seconded by Commissioner Martin; unanimous.
- Correspondence:
  - Notification from ESO that our current subscription will have a standard increase of five percent on the upcoming 2025 contract renewal.
  - Pricing from Konica Minolta was presented for a new copy machine, no action was taken.
  - Request for Facility Use from the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians – Division 4 Huntington to host monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month; approved.

- Request for Facility Use on April 6, 2025 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. from the Band Parents Association of Huntington to host an Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for the Huntington High School Band; approved.
- Request for Facility Use on Sunday, February 8, 2026 from the Halesite Fire Department Hose Rescue Company to host their Annual Superbowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast; approved.
- Request for Facility Use on March 29, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. (with a set up before) from Bill Eletto to host a 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday party for his wife; approved.

- Bills:

**PAID BEFORE THE MEETING:**

AT&T Mobility	\$ 572.21
Met Life	\$ 2,120.96
National Grid	\$ 3,556.81
NYSHIP	\$ 24,652.73
Optimum	\$ 426.52
PSEG LI	\$ 3,460.68
PSEG Long Island	\$ 27.10
Verizon	\$ 866.70
Wex Bank/Shell	\$ 76.59
Wex Bank/Sunoco	\$ 493.50

**Medicare Part B Reimbursements**

Betty Reddy	\$ 185.00
Bonnie Sammis	\$ 185.00
Doug Anthonson	\$ 370.00
Judy McKenna	\$ 185.00
Laurence Northcote	\$ 370.00
Richard Riegel	\$ 185.00
Toni Riegel	\$ 185.00
William Kaiser	\$ 185.00

**PAID AFTER THE MEETING:**

Adept Technology	\$ 1,489.98
Alice Burke	\$ 530.29
All Weather Heating & Cooling	\$ 4,300.00
All Weather Heating & Cooling	\$ 4,215.00
Bill Fox Co., LLC	\$ 3,080.00
Borg Insurance Agency & Assoc.	\$ 21,006.00
Capital One Funding LLC	\$ 123,029.21
CARR Business Systems	\$ 71.25
Centerport Fire Department	\$ 500.00
Chase/INK	\$ 11,905.88
Chris Leogrande	\$ 468.00
Corporate Coffee Systems	\$ 481.78
Corporate Coffee Systems	\$ 123.20
Diversified Mechanical	\$ 350.00

Edmer Sanitary Supply	\$ 301.00
Emergency Responder Products	\$ 162.48
Fire Chief's Council of Suffolk Co.	\$ 250.00
Firematic Supply Co. Inc.	\$ 1,008.16
Fire Safety Cleaning Corp.	\$ 400.00
Fourth Stage	\$ 388.75
Frank G Relf, Architect	\$ 5,981.25
Frank G Relf, Architect	\$ 2,625.00
Home Depot	\$ 232.17
Huntington Fire District	\$ 296.02
Huntington Fire District	\$ 1,280.02
Inis Fada Gaelic	\$ 1,300.00
James Magerle	\$ 55.92
Konica Minolta	\$ 79.95
Long Island Paneling Ceiling & Floors	\$ 720.00
Milcon Construction Corp.	\$ 2,034.80
Mr. Suds	\$ 102.00
Mr. Suds	\$ 15.00
Municipal Emergency Services	\$ 80.82
Municipal Emergency Services	\$ 141.12
New Era Technology	\$ 98.32
New Era Technology	\$ 98.32
Newsday	\$ 675.04
Peter Wilbur	\$ 276.47
ProClaim	\$ 2,153.39
Ready ReFresh	\$ 173.79
Robinson's Industrial Gas	\$ 70.01
Savasta Medical Services	\$ 1,875.00
SCM Products Inc.	\$ 251.04
South Shore Fire & Safety	\$ 48.71
State Chemical Solutions	\$ 803.64
Sterling Sanitary Supply	\$ 1,066.03
Suffolk County Board of Elections	\$ 93.03
Terminix	\$ 60.00
Tesori Digital Marketing	\$ 335.00
The Fitness Resource	\$ 135.00
Town of Huntington FDOA	\$ 200.00
Ultra Electric	\$ 2,515.00
Verizon	\$ 5,563.15
W.B. Mason	\$ 143.96
W. B. Mason	\$ 43.34
Wex Bank/ Exxon	\$ 67.19
William Glass	\$ 568.00

The bills were approved as read on a motion by Commissioner Oh, seconded by Commissioner Martin; unanimous.

- Chairman Magerle:
  - Chairman Magerle asked the Board if they had any further thoughts on the FireFly presentation from last month. After some discussion, Commissioner Oh

put forth a Resolution to move forward with transitioning from VFIS to FireFly for our LOSAP plan. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Martin and unanimous.

- Chairman Magerle informed the Board that he would like everyone to look at the current 10-Year Plan as it needs to be updated. District Manager Magerle distributed copies and the Board agreed to review and revisit it next month.
- Apparatus:
  - Commissioner Martin informed the Board that he has started doing some research on pick-up trucks.
- Buildings and Grounds:
  - District Manager Magerle presented a quote for \$12,000.00 to replace the tables and chairs on the meeting room floor. The Board agreed to wait for Commissioner Schondebare's return before making a decision.
  - Chairman Magerle informed the Board that he and District Manager Magerle met with Frank Relf, William McGeever and Premier Building to further discuss the ramp leaks. Two proposals from Premier were discussed and it was ultimately decided to hold off on any decisions as Commissioner Martin would like to investigate it further and see if he can find an independent water proofing company.
- Communications:
  - No report.
- Personnel:
  - District Manager Magerle informed the Board that the following members would like to attend FDIC: Andrew Magerle, Rick Oh, Jeffrey Schondebare, James Magerle, Mike Conforti, Erik Weber, Chaz Forte and James Costanzo. Commissioner Oh put forth a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Martin and unanimous.
  - Commissioner Martin inquired about why there is such a delay with the final LOSAP point list for 2024 and when it would be available. District Manager Magerle will follow-up with Chief Weber and Firehouse Attendant Nelson.
  - District Sec/Treasurer Spada asked the Board to change the date of the April meeting since there would not be enough Commissioners form a quorum on the regularly scheduled meeting day. The Board agreed to hold the April 2025 meeting on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:50 p.m. by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Oh; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Spada  
District Secretary/Treasurer