

Board of Fire Commissioners
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 10, 2024

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

In attendance:

- Chairman Andrew Magerle
- Commissioner Brad Gaito
- Commissioner Jeffrey Schondebare
- Chief Dom Spada
- District Manager James Magerle
- District Secretary/Treasurer Denise Spada

Salute to the Flag and a moment of silence.

New Member Application:

A new member application for the Hose Company was received for Carl Pulizzotto. Commissioner Schondebare put forth a motion to accept the application, seconded by Commissioner Gaito and unanimous. Carl Pulizzotto was sworn into the Hose Company by Chairman Magerle.

Chief's Report:

- Chief Spada asked about the possibility of looking into a new boot dryer as some members complained of mold and/or mildew because their boots had not dried properly. Chairman Magerle indicated that the caps for the current dryer keep getting lost and suggested ordering new caps. Chief Spada raised a discussion about an incident involving a member that resulted in a suspension due to conduct unbecoming. With nothing further, Chief Spada was excused at 7:10 p.m.

District Manager's Report:

- Fire District Manager J. Magerle presented his report and highlighted the following:
 - Apparatus: Leaking seals and an air leak from the driver's seat were repaired in vehicle 222 and an ABS sensor was replaced in vehicle 223. A transmission sensor was repaired on vehicle 2214 and a sensor was replaced and relocated on vehicle 228. A driver side headlight was replaced on truck 2216.
 - Equipment: The 2024 turnout gear inspection/repairs have been completed.
 - Communications: Two mobile radios for the new Chief's truck have been ordered and the control room printer has been repaired.
 - Building/Grounds: The broken electrical wire for the electronic sign has been repaired and the A/C in the ready room has been repaired. The Department office and the District Manager's office have both been painted and new carpet has been installed in both as well as in the control room and on the meeting room stage. The third lawn treatment has been completed.
 - Personnel: One hundred hours of overtime for the month of June were reported.

District Secretary/Treasurer Spada presented her report:

- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Schondebare, seconded by Commissioner Gaito; unanimous.
- Correspondence: Marty Chalif from Paperless Solutions called to gauge our interest in converting our files to digital documents; no action taken. Robert Sagistano from Hometown Firefighter and EMS Services called to follow up with the Board on our LOSAP package, he wanted to let the Board know that the interest rates are still holding at five percent; no action taken. District Secretary/Treasurer Spada informed the Board that she and District EMT Carberry had a phone conference with ProClaim to review the first set of EMS billing monthly reports. A Budget Workshop was scheduled for Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

- Bills:

PAID BEFORE THE MEETING:

AT&T Mobility	\$ 671.79
J.C. Taylor	\$ 460.00
Met Life	\$ 2,012.61
National Grid	\$ 835.04
NYSHIP	\$ 24,518.48
Optimum	\$ 420.74
PSEG LI	\$ 3,522.55
PSEG Long Island	\$ 21.28
Suffolk County Water Authority	\$ 133.51
Verizon	\$ 849.71
Wex Bank/Sunoco	\$ 639.03

Medicare Part B Reimbursements

Betty Reddy	\$ 174.70
Bonnie Sammis	\$ 174.70
Doug Anthonsen	\$ 174.70
John McKenna	\$ 349.40
Richard Riegel	\$ 174.70
William Kaiser	\$ 174.70

PAID AFTER THE MEETING:

Aboff's	\$ 254.20
Adept Technology	\$ 1,475.60
Cardiac Life Products	\$ 246.03
CARR Business	\$ 71.25
Centerport Fire District	\$ 1,444.17
Chase/INK	\$ 6,284.29
Corporate Coffee Systems	\$ 88.24
DSG Distributors	\$ 2,328.00
Edmer Sanitary Supply Co.	\$ 455.50
Edmer Sanitary Supply Co.	\$ 638.50
Firefighter's Equipment of NY	\$ 2,182.42
Firematic Supply Co. Inc.	\$ 110.00

Frank G. Relf Architect P.C.	\$ 2,500.00
GenServe LLC	\$ 835.00
Green Grass Guy	\$ 350.00
The Hartford	\$ 590.45
Home Depot	\$ 304.95
James Magerle	\$ 55.92
Konica Minolta	\$ 51.31
Long Islander	\$ 26.18
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Motorola Solutions	\$ 81.97
Mr. Suds	\$ 45.00
New Era Technology LI	\$ 98.32
Newsday	\$ 575.84
Proclaim Inc.	\$ 2,459.40
SCM Products	\$ 266.52
Suffolk County Water Authority	\$ 21,800.07
Terminix	\$ 50.00
Tierney & Courtney	\$ 1,060.00
TK Elevator Corp	\$ 1,362.80
Verizon	\$ 2,464.59
W.B. Mason	\$ 334.08
Wex Bank/Exxon	\$ 47.69
William Glass	\$ 557.00

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

- Chairman Magerle:
 - Chairman Magerle raised a discussion on the new proposed OSHA regulations and suggested all Commissioners go to the AFDSNY website to review the document and respond by writing a letter for the comments section.
- Apparatus:
 - No report.
- Buildings and Grounds:
 - Commissioner Schondebare asked if any more thought had been given to the replacement of the downstairs truck doors. Chairman Magerle asked District Manager Magerle to email everyone the two quotes and suggested it be discussed at the next meeting. Commissioner Schondebare reported progress on the parapet project and relayed an email from William McGeever from Frank Relf's office inquiring about setting up a meeting to discuss the Holly House project. It was decided to put that off until the bidding process for the parapet has been completed. Commissioner Schondebare inquired about purchasing a new auto scrubber at a cost of approximately \$5,000.00 and asked District Manager Magerle to investigate if this is something that can be bought off state bid. He also asked DM Magerle to look in new back-pack vacuums. Commissioner Schondebare complimented Firehouse Attendant Chris Manganello for the work he did on painting. He also stated he would like to re-do the supply room,

complete the work downstairs, follow up on the key-fob system and move the computer server out of the District Manager's office. It was decided to have Firehouse Attendant Nelson move it, keeping in mind that it should be in a climate-controlled area.

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- Communications:
 - No report.
- Personnel:
 - Prior to Commissioner Gaito's report, District Sec/Treasurer Spada asked the Board for direction on dental and vision coverage for L. Northcote after his retirement. The Board was in full agreement to continue his dental and vision coverage. Commissioner Gaito reported that he is working with District Sec/Treasurer Spada on her contract negotiations and has begun discussions with Firehouse Attendant Manganello also. Firehouse Attendant Manganello inquired about the possibility of a two-year contract instead of a three-year contract as well as annual percentage increases. It was also discussed to change Firehouse Attendant Miller's allowable sick bank maximum to be on par with the other Firehouse Attendants; the Board did not object to that request. Commissioner Gaito informed that Board of a conversation he had with FHA Manganello. FHA Manganello relayed that several of the Firehouse Attendants expressed they were upset that they were not included in discussions regarding the new position for FHA Nelson. It was further discussed that Civil Service has not yet approved this new position and that FHA Nelson is still a Firehouse Attendant. It was also discussed that work that FHA Nelson may not completing because he is doing a special job can be covered by a part-time employee at the District Manager's discretion. This is the case for all other Firehouse Attendants doing special jobs as well. Commissioner Gaito raised a discussion about a request for additional time by EMT Carberry that was denied; Chairman Magerle indicated that the chain of command must be followed with EMT Carberry reporting to the District Manager.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:40 p.m. by Commissioner Schondebare, seconded by Commissioner Gaito and unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Spada
District Secretary/Treasurer