

**Fort Montgomery Fire District
PO Box 71
Fort Montgomery, NY 10922**

August 5, 2009

The eighth regularly monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:09 pm by Lise Hansen, Chairwoman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Chairwoman Lise Hansen

Present: Chairwoman Lise Hansen; Commissioners Jeanne Lent; G. Maher, M. Byrnes, Rich Sullivan, Treasurer Deborah Jersey; Secretary Jennifer Hurst; Chief Seth Armstrong

Absent: none

Communications:

1. VFIS – insurance notice on the ladder truck damage
2. State Insurance Fund – notice on what was paid on R. Carrasquillo – to be filed
3. Orange County Probation Department, # 39494 in the amount of \$45.45 – D. Jersey to contact Ken Andrews as there is a discrepancy on the amount that was received

Minutes:

Motion to approve the July 2009 regular monthly minutes made by R. Sullivan, seconded by M. Byrnes, all in favor, motion carried

Checks Received: none

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to approve the July 2009 Treasurer's Report made by M. Byrnes, seconded by J. Lent, all in favor, motion carried

BILLS:

Motion to pay bills totaling \$21,429.60 as per attached abstract #259, Claim numbers 3259 through 3258 was made by G. Maher, seconded by M. Byrnes, all in favor, motion carried

Chief's Report: as reported by Chief Don Smith

1. Motion to approve Michael Nanartowich and Matthew Biehle as Fire Department members pending a physical made by G. Maher, seconded by R. Sullivan, all in favor, motion carried
2. Copy of thermal imaging camera quotes given to J. Lent
3. Motion to approve a 6" floating strainer not to exceed \$500.00 made by J. Lent, seconded by M. Byrnes, all in favor, motion carried
4. Motion to approve the submitting of a bid up to \$3,000.00 to West Nyack Fire Department for the Ford Expedition they are retiring. The Chief will put the bid request into the West Nyack Fire Department. Motion made by R. Sullivan, seconded by G. Maher, all in favor, motion carried
5. Motion to approve the use of Trucks 421 and 425 to go to the wet-down in Middletown on August 23, 2009 made by G. Maher, seconded by J. Lent, all in favor, motion carried
6. 12:00 noon on Saturday, August 8, 2009 is the wet-down of Engine 421 at the Fort Montgomery Fire Department. All Commissioners have been invited for the dedication of the truck at 12 noon. Payment for food will be done by the department and reimbursed by the district.
7. Hose testing done. Five hoses failed and have been destroyed. Report is on its way and inventory will be turned in to the District at next meeting.
8. One of the drivers has been put under evaluation for reckless operation. He has been spoken to by the Assistant Chief. The Chief will re-evaluate the situation in a month.

Commissioner's Report:

1. Pictures of the water tank and the repair Truck 423
2. Grant for the exhaust system has been completed and sent by L Hansen.
3. J. Lent working on a First Responders grant (Entergy).

Old Business:

1. Harness prices - Three prices received. Assistant Chief to review and decide on which one is the best and includes the ropes, clips, etc. for the harness. Information should be ready for the September meeting.
2. Motion to approve the purchase of safety vests not to exceed \$1,000.00 made by G. Maher, seconded L. Hansen, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Computer is hooked up – D. Jersey still in the process of putting new software information on to it.
4. Air Compressor – Mr. Friedle stated that he feels that the compressor is too big for the department's needs. Discussion ensued. Machine should be hooked up or sell it. G. Maher explained the research done to purchase the compressor and will get prices for installation so we can move this forward.

New Business: none

Public Comment: none

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the August 2009 regular monthly meeting at 8:40 pm was made by L. Hansen, seconded by R. Sullivan, all in favor

Next Meeting: September 2, 2009, 7:00 pm

Submitted by: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary