

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

**October 16, 2018**

The tenth regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:02 pm by Greg Maher, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

**Opening Ceremonies:** Led by Rich Salva, Commissioner

**Present:** Chairman Greg Maher; Commissioners John Monteleone, Andrew Lynch, Michael Cahill and Richard Salva; Treasurer Deborah Jersey; Secretary Jennifer Hurst

**Absent:** None

**Fire Department Attendees:** Chief Don Smith, Asst. Chief Ryan Falk

**Guests:** None

Motion made to open the Public Hearing on the proposed 2019 budget at 7:02 pm. Motion made by A. Lynch, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried.

**Communications:**

1. News of The Highlands – copy of the legal notice for the budget hearing
2. Kornfeld, Newman, Simeone – copy of the legal notice for The News of The Highlands, e.g. the budget hearing
3. VFIS – copy of payment to a member for an injury; given to M. Cahill
4. NYSIF – member injury notice of claim; given to M. Cahill
5. VFIS – memo on cancer coverage option (\$137.00 per member); given to M. Cahill
6. Kornfeld, Newman, Simeone – copy o budget hearing paperwork
7. Times Herald Record – copy of the legal notice for the budget hearing
8. Gladfelter Insurance – notice of member injury
9. Fort Montgomery Post Office notice – payment for PO box due (\$111.00) for annual PO costs; given to Treasurer
10. Partners In Safety – notices for physicals; G. Maher to get vouchers

**Minutes:**

Motion to approve the September 2018 regular monthly minutes was made by R. Salva, seconded by J. Monteleone. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report made by M. Cahill, seconded by R. Salva. All in favor, motion carried.

**Checks Received:** None

### **Bills:**

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$16,743.55 as per attached abstract 376, Claim numbers 5069 through 5092 was made by M. Cahill, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.

### **Chief's Report** *(see attached):*

1. Discussion on gear sets ensued. Need to spread out the purchases so that it is not a lot of money to come up with at once to replace them.
2. Fire Prevention will be at the firehouse on October 23<sup>rd</sup> with the smoke house
3. Motion to spend up to \$1,467.50 to purchase F500 Induction nozzle made by M. Cahill, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried.
4. Fall Foliage Festival is October 27<sup>th</sup>. Department will bring the trucks; fill out forms for Disaster Preparedness at the Ambulance tent to receive alerts via text message.
5. Live Burn discussion ensued. G. Maher asked the Chief what the plan was to get the live burn in and get everyone qualified. Issues with getting members to sign up. Currently set with Storm King, but we need another date. Asst. Chief to work on a date by year-end.

### **Asst. Chief's Report:**

1. Halloween Parade is October 21<sup>st</sup> and starts at the Bagel Café
2. December 16<sup>th</sup> is the Christmas party for the kids
3. G. Maher asked that a reminder be made to do duty driver checks, check fluids and log in book.

### **Commissioner's Report:**

1. 497 Group – worker's comp. worksheets provided to keep on file at fire house in case of accident.

**Old Business:**

1. Motion to open the bids received to purchase the 2003 Chevy Suburban made by M. Cahill, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried. Four bids received as follows:
  - a. \$1,510.00, Thomas Meehan
  - b. \$753.00, Brian Galin
  - c. \$102.00, Jason Bacchus
  - d. \$650.00, Vladimir Ravich

Motion made to sell the 2003 Chevy Suburban to the highest bidder or to the next highest bidder should Mr. Meehan decline, made by R. Salva, seconded by M. Cahill, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to close the bid process made by A. Lynch, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried. Secretary to call winner and mail a letter to those that did not get awarded.

2. 421 Tires – three bids received:
  - a. Corsi Tires: \$407.08/tire
  - b. Barnwell House of Tires: \$633.00/tire
  - c. Custom Bandag: \$407.08/tirePlus \$15.00/ea. for balance bags. Motion to approve up to \$850.00 to purchase two front tires from Corsi made by R. Salva, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Prices on climbing gear to be updated, which will bring the department in line with other departments – tabled for November meeting
4. Filing cabinet – tabled until November meeting

**New Business:**

1. Fire truck committee should be started by end of 2018 so that they can begin looking for a truck to go out to bid January 2020.

Motion to close the budget hearing with no public comment made by A. Lynch, seconded by M. Cahill, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to adopt the 2019 proposed budget as the final 2019 budget in the amount of \$435,120.00 was made by M. Cahill, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried. G. Maher to drop copies off to the Town Clerk.

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**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn the October 2018 Monthly Meeting at 9:05 pm was made by M. Cahill, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried.

**Next Meeting:** November20, 2018

**Submitted by:** Jennifer Hurst, Secretary

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Xx  
Add1  
Add2

Dear xx,

Thank you for bidding on the 2003 Chevy Suburban.

Your bid was not accepted as a higher bid was received. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Greg Maher  
Chairman  
Fort Montgomery Fire District