

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

September 15, 2020

The ninth regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:08 pm by Michael Cahill, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Commissioner Anthony Camp

Present: Chairman Michael Cahill; Commissioners John Monteleone, Anthony Camp, Richard Salva and Andrew Lynch; Treasurer Debbie Jersey; Secretary Jennifer Hurst

Absent: None

Fire Department Attendees: Chief Don Smith, Assistant Chief Ryan Falk

Guests: Patty and Lee Steinmetz (representing the Department)

Communications:

1. NYS Fire Districts - copies of Fire District Affairs; given to Commissioners
2. Hubbinette Cowell – updated insurance certificates; given to J. Monteleone
3. NYS Insurance Fund – notice to advise they are resuming routine billing

Minutes:

Motion to approve the August regular monthly minutes was made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report made by A. Camp, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried.

Checks Received: None

Bills:

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$10,437.00 as per attached abstract 399, Claim numbers 5445 through 5457 was made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report: *(see attached)*

1. Motion to approve spending up to \$1,800.00 for four pagers and six batteries made by A. Lynch, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried.
2. Motion to approve Elias Barnhart as an interior firefighter made by A. Lynch, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried.

Asst. Chief's Report:

1. First Aid courses will be set for November and over two meetings.
2. Annual school safety meeting has been cancelled due to COVID.

Commissioner's Report:

1. 2021 proposed Budget Discussion. D. Jersey to make updates and copies and dispense. Secretary to send to Town Clerk.

Old Business:

1. Truck Financing – information received from First Government Lease Co.; M. Cahill to call and get information.
2. Discussion ensued on new truck and new information received from Leasing 2, Inc. on possible payments for financing.
3. Discussion ensued on capital reserve fund and expenses that we expect over the next few years as it relates to the new truck financing and purchase. Attorney Dow was called to discuss steps to move forward with the truck.
4. Motion to join the Sourcewell and Houston Galveston Associated Cooperative (HGAC) to be able to purchase the Pierce truck to take advantage of cooperative purchasing. Motion made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

1. Patty and Lee Steinmetz, representing the Department, came to discuss the potential request for increase of rent for the Fire Department. Discussion around previous years spend and this years budget. M. Cahill to discuss lease options with S. Dow.
2. Discussion on LOSAP training points. Tabled for October meeting.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the September, 2020 Monthly Meeting at 9:10 pm was made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: October 20, 2020

Submitted by: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary