

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

October 20, 2020

The tenth regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:11 pm by Michael Cahill, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Motion to open the Public Hearing on the 2021 Budget was made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried.

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Ryan Falk, Assistant Chief

Present: Chairman Mickey Cahill, Commissioners Andrew Lynch, Anthony Camp, John Monteleone and Rich Salva; Treasurer Debbie Jersey

Absent: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary

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

Guests: Scott Dow, Attorney

Communications:

1. Kornfeld, Rew, Newman & Simeone – copies of legal notices for budget hearing
2. Assoc. of Fire Districts – annual meeting October 27th, 7:30 pm at Salisbury Mills Fire Department
3. Hubbinette Cowell – yearly Cancer policy forms that need to be completed. Given to J. Monteleone to complete.
4. Results of department physicals received from TEK Occupational Services and Partners In Safety. Given to A. Camp.

Minutes:

Motion to approve the September 2020 regular monthly minutes was made by J. Monteleone, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Tax Cap form submission to the State Comptroller has been completed.

Checks Received: None

Bills:

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$19,257.36 as per attached abstract 400, Claim numbers 5458 through 5477 was made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report *(see attached) Presented by Asst. Chief Ryan Falk*

1. Rope team has requested items needed to complete the rope bag. Motion was made to approve up to \$1,200.00 to purchase needed rope bag equipment by M. Cahill, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried.
2. The department is running low on flares and will need purchase flares. A motion was made to approve up to \$400.00 for the purchase of flares by J. Monteleone, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.

Asst. Chief's Report:

1. Medical Class has been set up for November 18th and 19th.
2. The Halloween Drive-by Event plans are complete.
3. Members of the department are working on a video for Fire Prevention Week which will be posted to YouTube with a link sent to the school for the students to view.

Commissioner's Report:

1. Fort Montgomery Fire Department – request to approve Marisa Lupinetti as interior firefighter. Physical has been completed and results received. Motion to approve Marisa Lupinetti as interior firefighter made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.
2. Physicals – discussion on current policy. A. Camp will comprise a list of the members that have not completed their physicals.

Old Business:

1. Discussion on financing for the new truck and that the new specs to be reviewed to make sure it meets the requirements. Financing decision and decision to proceed with financing needs to be made my November 1st.

2. LOSAP – A motion was made for each member of the department to receive 5 Administrative points per month totaling 15 Administrative points for the period of March 17th through June 16th during the time that activities were restricted due to COVID by A. Lynch, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried. Complete Resolution is attached.

New Business:

1. Motion to close the Public Hearing on the budget at 9:10 pm made by R. Salva, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.
2. Motion to approve and adopt the 2021 budget in the amount of \$227,500.00 was made by J. Monteleone, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Annual election will be held Tuesday, December 8, 2020 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm at the firehouse.
4. Motion to approve the Resolution appointing the fire district Board of Elections as follows: Patty Steinmetz, Chairman; Carrie Smith, Election Inspector; Lee Steinmetz, Sr., Ballot Clerk. Motion to approve made by A. Camp, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried (Resolution attached).
5. Ryan Falk has been approved to return to duty upon receipt of note from his doctor.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the October, 2020 Monthly Meeting at 9:36 pm was made by A. Lynch, seconded by R. Salva, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: November 17, 2020

Submitted by: Debbie Jersey, Treasurer