

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

January 12, 2021

The first regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:25 pm by Michael Cahill, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

NOTE: Due to COVID constraints, this meeting was held remotely

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Don Smith, outgoing Chief

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

Absent: Commissioner, Andrew Lynch

Fire Department Attendees: Chief Ryan Falk; Assistant Fire Chief Rich Salva, Don Smith

Guests: None

Communications:

1. Fire District Affairs – put in Commissioner mailboxes in office
2. Clean Air Company – sales flyer on improved technology on the magnets
3. Physicals – three received; put in A. Camp mailbox in office
4. Assoc. of Fire Districts, ST of NY – Annual Vendor Expo will be at Turning Stone Casino in CT, May 5 – 7, 2021; information on table
5. Favre's Auto Body – estimate received in the amount of \$3,344.93 for damage to Car 2 due to a deer hit.
6. Provident WA Insurance Company – information on transferring of insurance from VFIS

Minutes:

Motion to approve the December, 2020 regular monthly minutes was made by A. Camp, seconded by J. Monteleone. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Checks Received: None

Bills:

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$15,136.62 as per attached abstract 403, Claim numbers 5517 through 5533 was made by A. Camp, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report *(see attached):*

1. Final report received by D. Smith with a thank you for supporting him during his ten years of service.
2. Discussion on training and what is considered a priority for 2021 Training. Potential to use "Zoom" for trainings as COVID is beginning to uptick in our area.
3. M. Cahill asked the Chief to remind the teams when it comes to calls, department meetings and trainings to continue to maintain social distancing, hand sanitize and wear a mask to all FMFD functions.
4. OSHA-PESH training is 98% completed, Physicals are 99% completed
5. Anthony Wayne cannot be used for training as the state is using it for COVID testing. A suggestion was to see if West Point could be used
6. Inventory List – T. Armstrong is working on
7. All Battalion Four meetings have been cancelled due to COVID

Asst. Chief's Report: None

Commissioner's Report:

1. Both Chief Ryan Falk and Assistant Chief Rich Salva were approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners and sworn in
2. Motion to approve Christopher Muller as a member and exterior firefighter. His physical and membership paperwork has been completed. Motion to approve made by J. Monteleone, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried. Secretary to advise FMFD President
3. Motion to approve R. Falk to spend up to \$200.00 to remove old paperwork in the office to be shredded with the Town's annual shredding made by J. Monteleone, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried
4. Clean Air system – M. Cahill to contact for pricing to do a service on the unit (last one was over two years ago)
5. Motion to approve M. Cahill to sign a document for \$3,900.00 for Hometown Benefits. This is the administrative fee for 2021 LOSAP. Motion made by M. Cahill, seconded by A. Camp, all in favor, motion carried.

6. Census – D. Jersey will complete once all paperwork has been returned to her

Old Business:

1. Physicals – three members are still pending completed paperwork
2. FMFD Lease – discussion ensued in regards to the lease. Suggestions on doing a month to month or a one-year lease. J. Monteleone to put together a list of items and schedule some time for M. Cahill, A. Lynch (District liaisons) and the Department to sit down and come to a final agreement
3. Truck – M. Cahill signed the contract and the credit application is in process
4. Rockwell Cycle Project – M. Cahill requested updated drawings on the project. Erich Smith, Planning Board Chairman, stated that he will send updated drawings once received from the property owner.
5. Insurance claim has been sent in on the Car 2 deer incident.

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the January 2021 Monthly Meeting at 8:42 pm was made by A. Camp, seconded by J. Monteleone, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: February 16, 2021

Submitted by: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary