

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

January 16, 2024

The first regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:03 pm by Michael Cahill, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Assistant Chief Rich Salva

Present: Chairman Michael Cahill; Commissioners Andrew Lynch, Seth Armstrong and Greg Maher; Debbie Jersey; Treasurer and Jennifer Hurst, Secretary

Absent: Commissioner Don Smith, Chief Ryan Falk

Fire Department Attendees: Assistant Fire Chief Rich Salva, Eric Jimenez, 2nd Lieutenant

Guests: None

Communications:

1. DEC – matching \$2,500.00 grant awarded to the Department to be spent as needed; letter given to Assistant Chief for the Chief
2. Association of Fire District of Orange County – 2024 Meeting Schedule received and distributed
3. Fire District Affairs – given to G. Maher as the rest are electronically received
4. Via email: NYS Association of Fire Districts – Presentation on NYS V-Fire, January 18, 2024 at 7:00 pm via a zoom call. M. Cahill to send the notification via email to the Commissioners

Minutes:

Motion to approve the December, 2023 regular monthly minutes was made by S. Armstrong, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the January, 2024 Re-Organizational Meeting minutes was made by S. Armstrong, seconded by G. Maher, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Checks Received: None

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Bills:

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$9,225.52 as per attached abstract #441, Claim numbers 6164 through 6172 was made by G. Maher, seconded by S. Armstrong, all in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report: *(see attached)*

1. Discussion ensued about putting a speaker in the common room upstairs or in the truck room
2. Motion to approve up to \$4,000.00 to replenish the F-500 Encapsulator made by G. Maher, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried
3. Discussion ensued on the internet, screen updates and regular maintenance of the systems and possibly utilizing Fisch Solutions

Asst. Chief's Report: *(see attached)*

1. S. Armstrong noted that we need to start de-con cleaning the gear after every event to help reduce cancer effects to members
2. Motion to approve up to \$100.00 that CPR cards can be updated made by G. Maher, seconded by S. Armstrong, all in favor, motion carried
3. Motion to approve up to \$500.00 for replacement AED pads made by S. Armstrong, seconded by G. Maher, all in favor, motion carried

Commissioner's Report:

1. Motion to elect Michael (Micky) Cahill to be the Chairman of the Fort Montgomery Fire District made by S. Armstrong, seconded by A. Lynch, with G. Maher voting no, motion carried
2. Motion to elect Greg Maher to be the Deputy Chairman for the Fort Montgomery Fire District made by M. Cahill, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried

Old Business: None

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New Business:

1. G. Maher requested a copy of the lease; Secretary to email it to him
2. G. Maher requesting to do something for the Department for all of their work on the Hurst tools; G. Maher to look into something
3. Motion to approve up to \$250.00 for Don Smith and Greg Maher to go to Commissioners courses made by S. Armstrong, seconded by A. Lynch, all in favor, motion carried

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the January 16, 2024 Monthly Meeting at 8:17 pm was made by S. Armstrong, seconded by M. Cahill, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: February 20, 2024

Submitted by: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary