

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

February 13, 2024

The second regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:01 pm by Michael Cahill, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Assistant Chief Rich Salva

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

Absent: Commissioner Andrew Lynch

Fire Department Attendees: Chief Ryan Falk, Assistant Fire Chief Rich Salva

Guests: None

Communications:

1. State of NY, Assoc. of Fire Districts – ballot received for election of AFDSNY Directors for Region X
2. Kornfeld, Rew, Newman and Simeone – copies of notice to change the meeting from February 20 to February 13, 2024
3. J&G Law – information received on an active lawsuit for the Cornwall Mill Street Fire; Secretary to send to Attorney
4. Fort Montgomery Fire Department – letter sent to request to begin discussion on shared space, an MOA on equipment (see Commissioners Report) and plan for disposal of equipment with little or no value
5. Senator Gillibrand's office is doing a webinar on the AFG on March 7, 2024 at 3:00 pm
6. Haight Fire – certificates received via email that the CASCADE system passed
7. Association of Fire Districts – copies of certificates of completion for Donald Smith and Greg Maher; filed

Minutes:

Motion to approve the January, 2024 regular monthly minutes was made by S. Armstrong, seconded by D. Smith, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Checks Received:

1. The State Insurance Fund, Check #55263525 in the amount of \$98.41 for dividend on premium

Bills:

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$94,277.19 as per attached abstract #442, Claim numbers 6173 through 6196 was made by S. Armstrong, seconded by D. Smith, all in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report: (see attached)

1. Based on letter sent from the Department, the Chief will put together a list of equipment to be disposed of that has little or no value
2. Motion to approve the apparatus to be used at various trainings, local parades and functions in surrounding districts at the discretion of the Chief made by M. Cahill, seconded by G. Maher, all in favor, motion carried
3. Motion to allow Mark Reynolds to drive the antique fire truck (A.K.A Honey) to local parades, funerals and functions made by M. Cahill, seconded by D. Smith, all in favor, motion carried
4. Motion to approve up to \$1,520.00 to buy one rescue saw made by G. Maher, seconded by S. Armstrong, all in favor, motion carried
5. Motion to approve up to \$1,500.00 for food for the Battalion Four and Orange County Chiefs Association meetings made by D. Smith, seconded by S. Armstrong, all in favor, motion carried

Asst. Chief's Report:

1. Battalion Four is offering an EVOC class in the Spring, date TBD. Discussion ensued about drivers completing EVOC training
2. We have been notified that if West Point is committed to another call at the same time we need them, they will decline our call. However, if we state we need the Rescue, they will come to our aid
3. Discussion ensued in regards to possible changes to the current MAMAS plan between the HFFD and FMFD

Commissioner's Report:

1. Motion made to enter into a MOA for the transfer of the Hurst eDraulic equipment from the Department to the District made by G. Maher, seconded by S. Armstrong, all in favor, motion carried
2. Thursday, April 4, 2024 will be the annual physical date at the firehouse. The Chief will put the message out to the Department to plan accordingly
3. Old Scot-Paks – batteries are dead. D. Smith wants to make sure that they are working properly. Discussion ensued; The Chief to discuss with MES and get the log on what was tested
4. Henderson is coming to Congers, NY and does Fire truck maintenance. Discussion ensued

Old Business:

1. G. Maher to have the company come to discuss LOSAP at one of the upcoming work sessions

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the February 13, 2024 Monthly Meeting at 8:26 pm was made by S. Armstrong, seconded by D. Smith, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: March 19, 2024

Submitted by: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary