

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

January 21, 2025

The first regular monthly meeting of the Fort Montgomery Fire District was called to order at 7:04 pm by Greg Maher, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Opening Ceremonies: Led by Assistant Chief Tom Armstrong

Present: Commissioners Don Smith, Dean Walko and Greg Maher; Debbie Jersey; Treasurer and Jennifer Hurst, Secretary

Absent: Deputy Chairman Michael Cahill, Commissioner Seth Armstrong

Fire Department Attendees: Fire Chief Rich Salva, Assistant Chief Tom Armstrong

Guests: None

Communications:

1. Kornfeld, Rew, Newman, Simeone – Annual Re-Organization paperwork received (December)
2. Kornfeld, Rew, Newman, Simeone – copies of notifications for the monthly and workshop meetings
3. Verizon – letter stating we are behind in payment. Treasurer stated it's because of our payment timing process
4. FASNY – Recruit NY is 4/26-4/27; given to Chief
5. Chevy – inspect seatbelts every 7,500 miles due to a recall; given to Assistant Chief to manage
6. DEC – confirmation that FMFD did not receive the grant we put in for wildland fire equipment
7. National Union Fire Insurance Company – information on the cancer policy renewal; given to S. Armstrong
8. Assoc. of Fire Districts, State of NY – copy of Fire District Affairs
9. MES – air-packs due for flo testing; given to Assistant Chief to manage
10. Pinsky Law – 17th Annual Fire & EMS Conference, 3/27-3/29, Turning Stone Resort, NY
11. Assoc. of Fire Districts, Orange County – 2025 meeting schedule and update for Commissioners
12. NYS Fire Chiefs Assoc. – 2025 Fire Seminar schedule of classes; given to Chief

Minutes:

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

Motion to approve the January 7, 2025 Re-Organizational minutes was made by D. Walko, seconded by D. Smith, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Checks Received: None

Bills:

Motion to pay bills in the amount of \$29,473.50 as per attached abstract #454, Claim numbers 6374 through 6390 was made by D. Smith, seconded by D. Walko, all in favor, motion carried.

Chief's Report: *(see attached)*

1. Discussion on Gear Wash quote received
2. SOG book approval tabled for now. Officers to review and revise the SOGs prior to printing
3. Chief's Coat – tabled until a price is provided
4. Discussion on new computers/software and a potential annual IT contract; tabled for more information
5. Motion to approve up to \$1,300.00 for a six-bank charger for APEX 700 radios for Station One made by D. Smith, seconded by D. Walko, all in favor, motion carried

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

Commissioner's Report:

1. Engine 422 is going out of service for repairs
2. 2025 Physicals are being scheduled

Old Business:

1. G. Maher to have the company come to discuss LOSAP at one of the upcoming work sessions
2. Discussion on driver training list and qualifiers – in progress
3. Motion to have everyone updated on EVOC by end of 2025 made by G. Maher, seconded by D. Walko, all in favor, motion carried

New Business:

1. Bank Signature cards – discussion ensued on adding more signers to the account. D. Jersey to check in on the requirements and get back to the Board
2. D. Walk is signed up for his Commissioner training later this month

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the January 21, 2025 Monthly Meeting at 9:21 pm was made by D. Smith, seconded by M. Cahill, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: February 18, 2025, 7:00 pm

Submitted by: Jennifer Hurst, Secretary