# Monroe Joint Fire District Meeting of January 24, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Monroe Joint Fire District of the Town of Monroe, Town of Woodbury, Village of Harriman, Village of Monroe, County of Orange, in the State of New York was held at the Monroe Joint Fire District Office 406 N. Main St. Monroe, New York on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019

Present: Thomas Sullivan Commissioner

Thomas Smith Commissioner

John Centofanti Commissioner Pat Patterson Commissioner

William Badura Attorney
Richard Goldstein Treasurer
Mary Ellen F. Beams Secretary

Commissioner Sullivan called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:00 pm.

Attorney Badura administered the Oath of Office for Jason Kalter Commissioner of the Monroe Joint Fire District.

Commissioner discussed the bills that were in question.

## **Audit of the Bills**

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Centofanti the following was

Adopted Ayes 4 Commissioners Patterson, Smith, Sullivan, Centofanti

Nays 0

Abstain 1 Commissioner Kalter

Approval to pay the bills presented to the Commissioners.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Patterson the following was

Adopted Ayes 4 Commissioners Smith, Patterson, Sullivan, Centofanti

Nays 0

Abstain 1 Commissioner Kalter

Approval of the minutes of January 3, 2018 Re-Org of the Monroe Joint Fire District meeting subject to the addition to the motion for Deputy Chairman as follows:approval to appoint Thomas Smith as Deputy Chairman of the Monroe Joint Fire District.

# **Treasurers Report**

Treasurer Goldstein reported he has been working on the 2018 AUD. In regards to the 2% Foreign Fire Insurance money there is a form that each company is required to fill out this form is not done by the district treasurer.

Treasurer Goldstein informed the Commissioners that the auditing firm Steve Buzzeo submitted a proposal and is recommending that we switch our finance software to QuickBooks system. They can mimic everything into QuickBooks. Treasurer Goldstein is asking the Commissioners to review the proposal for next meeting.

#### **Treasurers Report**

On a motion by Commissioner Centofanti, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Smith, Kalter, Sullivan, Centofanti, Patterson

Navs 0

Approval of the January 2019 Treasurers report.

#### **Chiefs Report**

Chief Scherne reported that there have been 49 calls as this date.

Chief Scherne informed the Commissioners and the Treasurer that he will have most bills from 2018 in by February.

## **2018 Apparatus and Manpower Event Apparatus**

On motion by Commissioner Patterson, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was adopted:

Ayes 5 – Commissioners Kalter, Centofanti, Sullivan, Smith, Patterson

Nays 0

Approval of the use of manpower and apparatus for the following events in 2019:

Long Island expo Feb 16-17.

Harrisburg Expo May 17-18-19

Memorial Day Parade (May 2019)

Harriman Carnival (June 2019)

Fourth of July Fireworks

Community Day (September 2019)

OCVFA Parade (September 2019)

Halloween Parade poss. Fire police (October 2019)

All fire prevention details (2019)

Chanukah lighting/candy drop

Village of Monroe tree lighting (December 2019)

Holiday caroling and/or candy drops (various dates)

Long Island expo (2-18)

Station One's wing nights (various dates)

#### **Chiefs Report**

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Patterson the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Smith, Patterson, Sullivan, Kalter, Centofanti

Nays 0

Approval of the January 2019 Chief's report.

## **Attorney's Report**

# Set Date for a Joint Public Hearing with the Monroe Joint Fire District and the Town of Palm Tree

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Kalter, Smith, Centofanti, Patterson Navs 0

Approval to diminish the boundaries of the Monroe Joint Fire District so as to exclude the following properties and to conduct a joint public hearing pursuant to Town Law section 172-f with the Town of Palm Tree Board on 2/12/19 at 7:00 pm at the Kiryas Joel Fire Department 1 Chevron Rd Kiryas Joel, NY: The section, block and lot numbers of the properties within the Monroe Joint Fire District proposed to be excluded from it are described as follows:

1-1-6, 1-1-7, 1-1-8, 1-1—18, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22.1, 1-1-22.2, 1-1-23, 1-2-11.12, 1-2-27, 1-2-30.51, 1-2-30.8, 1-2-30.9, 1-2-31.1, 1-2-32.11, 1-2-32.12, 1-2-32.2111, 1-2-32.22, 43-1-12, 67-1-1, 67-1-2.

Attorney Badura reported that he has not heard back from Orange County Elevator and Hunter Elevator wants nothing to do with it.

Commissioner Smith reported that he has a bid from Kone from back in September he's willing to reach out to them and get updated prices from them and Schindler and report back to the Commissioners.

Attorney Badura has been working on the engagement letter for auditing services.

He had communications from Martin Sendlewski and his bill is around \$11,000.00 the district would like to see itemized bills with the hourly rate on it.

At this time he has not heard back from Meyer Contracting.

#### **Attorney's Report**

On a motion by Commissioner Centofanti, seconded by Commissioner Patterson the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Centofanti, Patterson, Sullivan, Smith, Kalter Navs 0

Approval of the January 2019 Attorney's report.

#### Mombasha Fire Co. & Lakeside Fire Rescue Co Leases

On a motion by Commissioner Kalter, seconded by Commissioner Patterson the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Kalter, Patterson, Sullivan, Smith, Centofanti Nays 0

Approval for Chairman Sullivan to sign the Mombasha Fire Co. and Lakeside Fire & Rescue Co. lease agreements for the year 2019.

#### Station #2 Recruitment Fair

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Kalter, Smith, Centofanti, Patterson

Navs 0

Approval for Station #2 to use the apparatus floor on April 27<sup>th</sup>& 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 2:00pm each day.

Commissioner Kalter asked Station #2 if one member from each station could participate in the recruitment fair.

Commissioner Sullivan read a letter from Station #2 serving notice to 3 members that they are expelled and are no longer members due to failure to remain in good standing.

Commissioner Centofanti informed the Commissioners that the department is working a new and updated department membership list.

# OSHA Anchorage Points for Bailout at the Monroe Joint Fire District St #2

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Patterson the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 CommissionersSullivan, Patterson, Smith, Centofanti, Kalter Navs 0

Approval of the for Tishman Co. to install at free of charge the anchoring for the bailout system at St #2, subject to all paperwork reflects the change of ownership to read Monroe Joint Fire District and the address to be change from Monroe to Harriman.

Treasurer Goldstein will look at the area in need of a retaining wall, he will back to the Commissioners, he did inform them if the wall is over 3ft. it will need an engineer's design.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Interior Signage for the Monroe Joint Fire District Offices**

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Smith the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Smith, Centofanti, Kalter, Patterson

Nays 0

Approval for Commissioner Kalter to make a list of offices at the District office and have wall signs made and put up reflecting whose offices they are.

Commissioner Sullivan read a letter from

#### **Truck Update**

Pumper Rescue Committee has a pre-construction meeting on February 5, 2019 in Brick, New Jersey it will be a one day trip and the rescue committee has one at the same place on January 29, 2019.

Mike Terracino gave an update on the truck repairs for Truck 538 work is being done on the Ariel and will be out of service for 3 weeks. Truck 535 is at excelsior having paint repaired. Truck 537 is at Ruscon with a large list of repairs. Truck 537 is out for the last month with major repairs which are under recalls.

# Purchase 4 Ez-Passes

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Centofanti the following was

Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Centofanti, Smith, Kalter Patterson

Nays 0

Approval for Secretary Beams to purchase 4 Ez-Passes and open up an account for the Monroe Joint Fire District.

## **Public Comment:**

No public comment.

Commissioner Sullivan in formed the Commissioners that at next month's meeting the Fire Police will come and take their Oath of Office and receive their badges.

With no further business on a motion by Commissioner Smith seconded by Commissioner Kalter the meeting was adjourned carried unanimously.

Mary Ellen F. Beams Secretary, Monroe Joint Fire District.