

Monroe Joint Fire District Meeting of February 28, 2019

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 28th day of February 2019

Present: Thomas Sullivan	Commissioner
Thomas Smith	Commissioner
John Centofanti	Commissioner
Jason Kalter	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.

Audit of the Bills

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners Smith, Kalter, Sullivan, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval to pay the bills presented to the Commissioners.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Patterson, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners Patterson, Kalter, Sullivan, Sullivan, Centofanti
Nays 0

Approval of the minutes of the December 20, 2018 of the Monroe Joint Fire District meeting.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Kalter, seconded by Commissioner Centofanti the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners Kalter, Centofanti, Sullivan, Smith, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval of the minutes of January 24, 2019 of the Monroe Joint Fire District meeting.

Monroe Joint Fire District Fire Police Oath of Office

Attorney Badura administered the oath of office to the following Fire Police for the Monroe Joint Fire District. Erica Prager, John Kerwan, John Dowling, Timothy Staley, Thomas Flannigan, Anthony Rizzo.

General Announcements

Commissioner Sullivan announced that on March 16, 2019 at 6pm at Falkirk Country Club is the Installation Dinner please make sure you get your responses into the dinner committee.
Physicals have been scheduled and will be held at Station #2.

Treasurers Report

Treasurer Goldstein reported that he received payment from the Town of Monroe Tax Collector and the Town of Woodbury Tax Collector. The Town of Monroe also sent a check for the Fire Protection District Contract.

He has been working on the AUD with the State there was a few glitches but will be filed on Monday or Tuesday of this week. He informed the Commissioners that all the bills from 2018 are done.

Treasurers Report

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

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

Nays 0

Approval of the February 28, 2019 Treasurers report.

Chiefs Report

Chief Scherne reported that there have been 100 calls as this date. He has received report from the safety Officers.

New Member Station #2

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

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

Nays 0

Approval for Andrew Lumsden become an active member of Station #2.

New Member Station #2

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

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

Nays 0

Approval for Shashwat Patel to become a minor member of Station #2.

New Member Station #1

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 John Fox to become an active member of Station #1.

New Member Station #1

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

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

Nays 0

Approval for Thomas Hopkins to become an active member of Station #1.

New Member Station #1

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

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

Nays 0

Approval for Gerardo Reyes to become an active member of Station #1.

New Member Station #1

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 Anh-Tuan Nguyen to become a minor member of Station #1.

Station #1 Equipment Surplus

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Smith the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Smith, Kalter, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval to surplus equipment from Station #1 as long as all district identification is removed.

Station #2 Equipment Surplus

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Smith the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Smith, Kalter, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval to surplus equipment from Station #2 as long as all district identification is removed.

Chief Scherne addressed the Commissioners on the colors of the Districts apparatus, with the ordering of 3 upcoming rigs maybe the Commissioners should consider going with one color rig. He feels the Department would look more unified on scenes.

Commissioner Kalter read a letter of his opinion on changing the color of the rigs.

The Commissioners discussed the color of the rigs and decided that if there was to be a change the color should be white over red.

The Commissioners would like to hear from the companies on this issue and asked the 3 Captains at the meeting to bring this back to their companies to get their input. This topic will be discussed at the Chief's and Line Officers meeting this Sunday at 10:00am. The Commissioners asked that Commissioner Kalter attend the meeting and read his letter there. The Commissioners stated that there is a short time frame should the decision to change colors be made, for the two pumper rescues being ordered colors would need to be changed.

Chiefs Report

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Smith, Kalter, Sullivan, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval of the February 2019 Chief's report.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Badura spoke about the Joint Meeting with the Commissioners and the Town of Palm Tree officials in regards to the diminution of the Fire District boundaries. A resolution was adopted and the Town Clerk from the Town of Palm Tree will file all the necessary papers with the State, once he files the papers he will send copies to the District Secretary.

Attorney's Report

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

Nays 0

Approval of the February 2019 Attorney's report.

New Business

2019 Line Officers

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

Nays 0

Approval of the following line officers for each company.

President Imperio from Mombasha Fire Company wanted to inform the Commissioners that Mombasha will be doing building renovations and while the renovations are going on, there may be times the apparatus will need to be outside.

Commissioner Sullivan read a letter from Harriman Engine Co#1 in regards to their lease for Station #2.

Extend the Lease for Station#2 with Harriman Engine Co #1

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was Adopted Ayes 4 Commissioners, Sullivan, Kalter, Centofanti, Patterson

Nays 0

Abstain 1 Commissioner Smith

Approval to extend the lease for Station #2 with Harriman Engine Co #1 from January 2019 – January 2024. Harriman Engine Co. #1 will send the District a check for \$600.00 for October, November and December of 2019.

Commissioner Sullivan read a letter from Harriman Engine Co. #1 requesting the Fire District install a charging dock for their flashlights.

The Commissioners told Captain Pascullo that they can put up a charger between the gear and ready room.

Commissioner Sullivan read a letter from the president of Harriman Engine Co #1 requesting that the President of the Harriman Engine Co Ladies Auxiliary be given a key fob and access code to perform ladies auxiliary functions. They also would like permission to use the meeting room on the third Thursday of each month from 1900 hrs-2100 hrs. to hold their meetings.

The Commissioners were informed that Meg Sergeant was given a key fob for access.

Trane Service Agreement for Station #2 HVAC

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

Nays 0

Approval for Commissioner Sullivan to sign the Trane Service Agreement for HVAC Services for St#2 at \$9,987.00 annually, subject to Attorney Badura's request for Trane to take out paragraph #11.

Anthony Buzzeo – Advisory Proposal

Treasurer Goldstein requested that the Commissioners put this on the next agenda.

Commissioner Kalter discussed the service contract for the generator at St#2. He will call Jeff Sendlweski to see who installed the Kolar generator at St#2.

Commissioner Kalter took his Commissioner training and reported to the Commissioners that the district is no longer members of the New State Fire District Association.

New York State Fire Districts Association Dues

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 to join the New York State Fire Districts Association and pay the dues of \$500.00.

Elevator Maintenance Agreement Update

Commissioner Smith spoke with both Schindler and Kone and both said that they would get updated quotes to him early next week.

This matter will be put on next month’s agenda.

Commissioner Smith reported that two of the new meeting room tables had cracks in them and he was able to get them replaced under the warranty. One of the cracked tables he was able to repair with white duct tape but the other table needs to be disposed of.

Chief Lenahan asked the Commissioners for permission to use Station #2 meeting room for opioids training.

Use of Station #2 Meeting Room

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

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

Nays 0

Approval for Assistant Chief Lenahan to use the meeting room at Station #2 for opioids training.

Station #3 Use of Apparatus for Funeral Detail

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

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

Nays 0

Approval for Station #3 to use apparatus for the funeral services for Anthony Petitio on Sunday and Monday.

The Commissioners asked Tom Lowe to speak to Dr. Basri he had sent in a request to use Station #2 and the Commissioners would like to be clear on what his request for use of Station #2 actually is.

Old Business

2018 LOSAP Sponsor Forms

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Kalter the following was
Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Smith, Kalter, Sullivan, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval to authorize Commissioner Sullivan to sign the 2018 sponsor authorization form and the
Commissioners to sign the 2018 sponsor approval form.

Truck Update

Jim Ebner reported that the paint chips came in for the two pumper rescues. The two pumpers will be done
from the date received and accepted 395 -402 days to completion could go up 10-20 days were looking at May
or June of 2020.

He went over the change order and the amount of recue tools changed.

Change Order a Spartan

On a motion by Commissioner Kalter, seconded by Commissioner Smith the following was
Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Kalter, Smith, Sullivan, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval for Commissioner Sullivan to sign the corrected change order A Truck#218250-02 with Spartan.
Change order total: \$4,862.00.

Jim Ebner stated that price per truck is up just short of \$6,000.00 things were pulled out and put things back in.

Treasurer Goldstein spoke to the Commissioners on setting a date to meet with the Department of Labor. The
Commissioners all decide on April 11th at 2:00pm.

Assistant Chief Lenahan reported that the Bail out System at Station #2 has been completed.

Public Comment:

Rob Furbeck stated that the LOSAP reports are not being posted as promised and ask that they get posted
quarterly like promised. He discussed the possibility of the changing of the apparatus colors and informed the
Commissioners he is not in favor of that.

Matt Imperio spoke to the Board on the issue of the traffic and light in front of substation 1A.

Executive Session

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Patterson the following was
Adopted Ayes 5 Commissioners, Sullivan, Kalter, Smith, Centofanti, Patterson
Nays 0

Approval to enter into an executive session to discuss pending litigation.

Return to Regular Session

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 to enter into regular session.

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

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