

Monroe Joint Fire District Meeting of June 25, 2020

A Meeting of the Board of Fire 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 25th day of June, 2020.

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| Present: Thomas Sullivan | Commissioner |
| Jason Kalter             | Commissioner |
| John Centofanti          | Commissioner |
| Pat Patterson            | Commissioner |
| Thomas Lowe              | Commissioner |
| Mary Ellen F. Beams      | Secretary    |
| Richard Goldstein        | Treasurer    |
| William Badura           | Attorney     |

Commissioner Sullivan called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:10 p.m.

Commissioner Kalter reported that there are some issues with the G&T Auto bills, he has spoken to spoke to Mike Terracino who is working on rectifying the issue.

**Resolution to Pay Bills**

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

Approval to pay the bills presented to the Commissioners.

**Approval of Minutes**

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

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

Approval of the minutes of the May 28, 2020 of the Monroe Joint Fire District meeting.

**Announcements**

Commissioner Lowe announced that St#2 would like to participate in the Iron Chef competition on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The competition will be done virtually this year. St#2 is seeking permission to enter the competition, they will be barbequing outside the station.

**Iron Chef Competition**

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

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

Approval for Harriman Engine Co #1 to enter the Iron Chef Competition being held virtually at St#2 on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurers Report**

Treasurer Goldstein reported to the Commissioners that he has been in contact with Steven Engels in regards to setting up a date for him to come to the district office for the 2019 audit. He has filed the statement of well-being annual report with Munistat. The check for Lakeside Fire Co. for the lease of the bay will be in this weekend's check run.

Commissioner Sullivan informed the Commissioners that Commissioner Lowe obtained the correct population for the Town including the Villages. This has caused a significant decrease around \$22,000.00 in the workers comp insurance cost.

**Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report**

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

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

Approval to accept the June 25, 2020 Treasurer's report.

**Chief's Report**

**Kiosks Replacement in All 4 Station Houses**

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

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

Approval of the proposal MNJ-018 RedNMX Replacement Tablets for Kiosks from Alpine Software in the amount of \$5,785, this cost includes installation at all 4 station houses.

**Budgetary Transfer**

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

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

Approval of the following budgetary fund transfer:

From: 650-002 Workman's Compensation    To: 425-008 Document Management Alpine Software.

The Commissioners asked Chief Scherne to inform the Fire Police that as of June 25, 2020 they are to report to the firehouse for fire calls. He was also asked to inform Eric Prager that will be no points given for virtual courses.

**Chief's Report**

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

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

Approval to accept the June 25, 2020 Chief's report.



be purged. Secretary Beams will inform the stations to make sure when a member leaves the District that they inform her so they can be removed from the system.

Commissioner Kalter presented to the Commissioners 3 vendor proposal for a dais which would be built in the District office meeting room. After a discussion of the quotes submitted to the Commissioners a motion was made as follows.

**E& D Home Improvements**

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

Approval to accept the quote from E&D Home Improvements in the amount of \$7,896.50 to build a custom oak raised platform dais in the district office at 406 N. Main St, Monroe.

**Withdrawal of Funds from the Capital Project Reserve Fund**

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

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

Resolved that the Treasurer of the Fire District be authorized to withdraw the sum of up to \$12,000.00 from the capital reserve fund hereto established for materials and construction of a meeting room dais and the purchase of furniture appurtenant there to. Adoption of this resolution is subject to a permissive referendum.

**New Business**

Commissioner Lowe informed the Commissioners that we have probationary members in need of turnout gear. He has looked into renting a set from Minerva at a cost of \$130.00 per month. He is asking that the Attorney review the contract.

Commissioner Centofanti asked if we are at the end of the contract with Goosetown. Treasurer Goldstein look into it and stated it is up next year.

The Commissioners discussed an issue of members parking on the side of St#2 where it is a no parking area. The Commissioners asked Commissioner Lowe to speak to St#2 members at their monthly meeting that there is to be no parking in that area. If this parking issue continues those members will be asked to come before the Commissioners.

**Public Comment:**

No public comment at this time.

**Adjournment**

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

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Motion to adjourn the Monroe Joint Fire District Meeting of June 25, 2020.  
Mary Ellen F. Beams  
Secretary, Monroe Joint Fire District