

Monroe Joint Fire District Meeting of February 25, 2021

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 February, 2021.

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

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

Resolution to Pay Bills

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 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, Kalter, Sullivan, Lowe
Nays 0

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

Treasurers Report

2020 Budget Transfers

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

Approval to make the following 2020 budget transfers:

- From: 200.003 To 404.003 \$14,596.40
- From: 403.001 To 406.001 \$3,653.67
- From: 408.001 To 411.001 \$245.85
- From: 417.001 To 416.001 \$3.04
- From: 417.001 To 420.001 \$204.42
- From: 425.008 To 423.001 \$5,392.40

Treasurer Goldstein reported received a check in the amount of \$2,038,030.39 from the Town of Monroe levy.

Treasurer Goldstein reported that the next bond payment is due on March 15, 2021 Principal payment \$200,000.00 and interest payment \$62,521.88. The State AUD was filed on February 23, 2021.

Marshall & Sterling Insurance Package Renewal

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

Approval to pay the insurance renewal package with Marshal & Sterling \$38,124.51, Umbrella policy \$9,342.00 and Inland Marine Policy \$16,088.00.

Treasurers Report

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 to accept the Treasurers Report.

Chief's Report

Chief reported the following:

As of now we have had 37 calls for the month of February, year to date 61.

The antenna at St#2's reception is not good; the Chief spoke to Goosetown they are recommending a new antenna.

Goosetown Proposal for New Antenna for St#2

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

Approval to upgrade St#2's antenna pursuant to the proposal submitted by Goosetown in the amount of \$1,076.15.

New Member Application

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

Approval of Omar Mkamel as a minor member of Station No.2.

Chief Lenahan stated he wanted to bring to the Commissioners attention that we need to replace apparatus 515. He has come across a 2015 truck in Delaware for \$40,000.00. Commissioner Kalter stated we are aware that 515 needs to be replaced. We need to see where the money will come from as it's not contained in the replacement schedule.

Chief's Report

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

Approval to accept the Chief's Report.

Open Public Hearing proposed fire protection contract to be entered into by the Monroe Joint Fire District with the Village of Woodbury.

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

Approval to open the public hearing for proposed fire protection contract to be entered into by the Monroe Joint Fire District with the Village of Woodbury for fire protection to be provided by the Village of Woodbury Fire Department to a portion of the New York State Thruway (I-87) between mile post 44.38 and milepost 44.76.

Authorize Chairman to Sign Agreement with the Village of Woodbury

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 authorize Chairman Sullivan to sign the proposed fire protection contract to be entered into by the Monroe Joint Fire District with the Village of Woodbury for fire protection to be provided by the Village of Woodbury Fire Department to a portion of the New York State Thruway (I-87) between mile post 44.38 and milepost 44.76.

Close Public Hearing for the fire protection contract to be entered into by the Monroe Joint Fire District with the Village of Woodbury.

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

Approval to close the public hearing for the fire protection contract to be entered into by the Monroe Joint Fire District with the Village of Woodbury for fire protection to be provided by the Village of Woodbury Fire Department to a portion of the New York State Thruway (I-87) between mile post 44.38 and milepost 44.76.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Badura informed the Commissioners EVI contract went out on February 5, 2021 and he followed up for the performance bond today. Attorney Badura completed negotiating the Trane agreement which included the changes he requested.

Trane HVAC Systems Scheduled Service Agreement for St#2

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 authorize Chairman Sullivan to sign the renewal agreement with Trane #2960385 in the amount of \$13,470.00 for Trane HVAC Systems Scheduled Service Agreement for St#2.

Attorney Badura informed the Commissioners that a letter was sent to the in regards to the Department election investigation. Treasurer Goldstein gave Attorney Badura a form from Liberty Mutual for information on the Myer contract bond. There is no new update on the Myer contract litigation. The Fire District has received a SEQRA notification for development of 2 lots off of Harriman Heights Rd. Attorney Badura recommends no comments be made at this time.

Attorney's Report

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

Approval to accept the Attorney's Report.

Building Maintenance Report

Commissioner Patterson reported that he reached out to County Waste they are willing to provide dumpster service to St#2 for \$68.00 per month 1st month free. That is a savings to the District of \$33.60 per month.

County Waste Dumpster Service for St#2

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

Approval for dumpster service for St#2 to be provided by County Waste at the cost of \$68.00 per month, 1st month free. Previous service was with Interstate Waste which would have been \$101.60 per month with this year increase.

Commissioner Kalter reported that the cellular dialer external antenna signal was repaired but, (they still owe us a little caulk). Good news the cellular service eliminated two phone lines at \$30.00 each giving the District a savings of \$60.00 per month. There was a problem with the exterior lock at St#2. Mike's Locksmith repaired it with a discounted rate on the part replaced. St#2 roof had a water intrusion in the mezzanine area. Nothing will be done right now we will wait for the spring

Commissioner Kalter is asking when there is a problem at St# 2 that only the President or Captain contact him and also include all Commissioners in the email.

Commissioner Patterson thanked Commissioner Kalter for getting his email up and running.

Building Maintenance Report Approval

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

Approval to accept the Building Maintenance Report.

Commissioner Kalter informed the Commissioners, Treasurer and Secretary that New Windsor IT will switch over the Districts emails tonight. He gave everyone instructions on how to set up their emails.

New Computers

Secretary Beams reported that she has set up an appointment with New Windsor IT to install each Station's computer. The District's office computers are installed.

LOSAP

Secretary Beams reported that 2020 LOSAP will be posted in the next few days. She is waiting for Alpine software to complete the adding of the COVID point column.

Installation Dinner

Commissioner Sullivan informed the Commissioners that John Karl spoke to him about the upcoming inspection dinner date that the District has booked at Falkirk Country Club. The Commissioners were all in agreement to cancel the dinner scheduled for April 10th 2021. The Board will hold off making a decision regarding scheduling of the dinner.

Public Comment:

No public comment at this time.

Adjournment

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

Motion to adjourn the Monroe Joint Fire District meeting of February 25, 2021.

Mary Ellen F. Beams
Secretary