

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Monday, May 1, 2023

The Chairman, Commissioner Nocerino, called the Meeting to order at 8 P.M with a salute to the flag led by the District Secretary.

**PRESENT WERE:** Chairman Frank A. Nocerino, Vice-Chairman Ralph J. Raymond, Commissioner Robert J. Schmidgall, Commissioner James M. Maroldo, Commissioner Sean K. Abrams, Secretary Nicholas T. Paolucci, Superintendent Kraus, Attorney Joseph Frank, Chief Frascella, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief Licata, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief Ferrante, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Chief Timpano. Excused was Treasurer Frank.

**ALSO PRESENT WERE:** Captain Schmidgall and Lieutenant Archipolo.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Abrams it was:

**RESOLVED** that the minutes a special meeting held on Thursday, April 6, 2023, be accepted as printed and submitted by the secretary.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Abrams and seconded by Commissioner Maroldo it was:

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on Monday, April 3, 2023, be accepted as printed and submitted by the secretary.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Abrams and seconded by Commissioner Schmidgall it was:

**RESOLVED** that the schedule of unpaid bills, claim/check #'s as listed below and prepared by the secretary, Have been audited for the period April 4 , 2023, to May 1 , 2023, and the fiscal officer has approved to pay such claims.

BNB Gen Checking – Check #'s 44260 thru 44352

BNB Payroll – Check #'s 131 thru 132

BNB Cr# 1 – Check #'s 175 thru 177

BNB Cr# 2 – Checks None

FB Gen Checking – Check #'s 33 thru 38

Headquarters Bond – Checks None

The motion was voted upon and carried.

One proposed member(s) for the North Massapequa Fire Department appeared before the Board:

Thomas Guerriere Firefighter Company 3, North Massapequa.

Members of the Board of Fire Commissioners explained to the prospective members their duties and Obligations as a member of the Volunteer Fire Service.

Commissioner Nocerino explained to the prospective members the insurance benefits as offered by the district along with an explanation of the districts LOSAP program. District's Insurance Coverage. Details of personal automobile insurance were also explained.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Maroldo and seconded by Commissioner Abrams it was:

**RESOLVED** that the application of Thomas Guerriere Firefighter Company 3, North Massapequa be accepted for membership and be assigned in accordance with the district's policy and procedure.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

**Commissioner Nocerino** nice job on inspection trucks looked great. Installation dinner response due back by May 11, a lot of people have not responded. Advised Board and Chiefs that anyone going to conventions their names must be put in the meeting minutes regardless of the motion approving conventions in the organizational minutes. He advised that the following people Commissioner Nocerino, Commissioner Raymond, Superintendent Kraus, Mechanic Cerullo, Captain Moir, Lieutenant Martin and Ex-Captain Grieco will be going to Spartan Factory in Brandon, South Dakota for the final inspection of the new pumper 665.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Nocerino and seconded by Commissioner Raymond it was:

**RESOLVED** to hire Westen Strategies, LLC to publish a Fire District quarterly newsletter to go to the Taxpayers of the District.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

**Commissioner Raymond** Motion to adopt the EAP program pending the approval of the attorney. Inspection trip this Wednesday through Friday on new 665. Motion to establish new policy regarding new chiefs' cars 6603 chief is assigned a new vehicle and keeps the same vehicle while he or she is in the chief's office. Motion to establish a 6G account for a new Chiefs car to be purchased in late August. 661 Truck committee progress photos will be forwarded upon receipt. Progress on mini bids Explorer and F-350. Progress on 5 I-Pads being implemented. Great job on inspection. Motion to remove all identifying marks on Tahoe. ATV are at HQ we will let you know when they will be put into service "big boy policy". Motion to sell the ATV trailer. Red Van being returned for a white one and the payment has been returned.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Maroldo it was:

**RESOLVED** to implement an Employee Assistance Program pending the approval of the District Attorney.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Abrams it was:

**RESOLVED** to implement a new policy that the 3<sup>rd</sup> assistant chief will get a new Chiefs car and keep it until he is finished in the Chiefs Office, and that rotation to continue every time there is a new 3<sup>rd</sup> assistant chief.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Abrams it was:

**RESOLVED** the NORTH MASSAPEQUA FIRE DISTRICT has by appropriate resolution established a certain capital reserve fund designated as the Capital Reserve Fund, established pursuant to Section 6(g) of the General Municipal Law, in an account for deposit of said Capital Reserve Fund entitled, "The North Massapequa Fire District, Section 6(g) General Municipal Firematic Equipment Fund" in local banks; and

**WHEREAS** the purchase of a New Chief's Vehicle/ Chevy Tahoe and Associated Equipment is deemed necessary to meet the emergency services needs of the residents of the NORTH MASSAPEQUA FIRE DISTRICT; and

**WHEREAS** the maximum cost to obtain such New Chief's Vehicle/ Chevy Tahoe and Associated Equipment (labor, materials, and delivery), including incidental expenses, advertising, and attorney's fees is estimated to be seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars.

**IT IS RESOLVED** that pursuant to the laws and regulations applicable and in particular to Section 6(g) of the General Municipal Law, that the purchase of such New Chief's Vehicle/ Chevy Tahoe and Associated Equipment be completed and that the cost and expenses for such purchase, advertising, incidental expenses, and attorney's fees shall be expended from the Firematic Equipment Capital Reserve Fund upon authorization of the Board of Fire Commissioners, at the maximum estimated cost of seventy five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Nocerino it was:

**RESOLVED** to remove all marking off the 6631 car and use it as a spare district vehicle to be used for attending District and Department meetings and functions.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Schmidgall it was:

**RESOLVED** to sell the 75' trailer that was used to transport the Polaris's.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Maroldo it was:

**RESOLVED** to purchase a small flatbed trailer to carry one TAV at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

**Commissioner Schmidgall** construction is coming to an end working on punch list. Key FOB problem is being worked on. Ice Machine is functional that's by the ATV garage,

**Commissioner Maroldo** Nice job on the inspection. We were approved for the 911 steel, will be planning to pick it up.

**Commissioner Abrams** all matters are up to date.

**District Superintendent Kraus** Headquarters work continues. Fire Marshal signed off on sprinkler and alarm systems. Punch-list work continues. Backup line restriping (interior) began today and will be completed in the next two days. Access control system at HQ is 90% complete by Intelli-Tec. ETA on new Life Pak's (x3) is late Summer 2023. Ford Explorer & F250 mini bids submitted to NYS OGS. No response on any bids. ePCR iPads swapped on both ambulances from Verizon to T-Mobile. Also added an additional one for 6634. As of now no issues reported with T-Mobile carried devices. MDT installation has begun. 6603 hardware installed. Dist. Mechanic Cerullo will continue installations next week after Spartan trip. Hose testing by Waterway was completed on all engines. E-662 is at Gabrielli Truck for repair of the chauffeur's side pump panel hose trough. Should be back in service within a week. 6631 vehicle repaired. Stripped in-house and at Extreme Auto Body for patch work on roof. Signal 5 system is only working from the wall switch currently. Chiefs notified previously. Multimedia needs to come back and finish installation for apparatus. Multimedia was in today and needs additional parts for bay door transmitters. Will be back on Wednesday or Thursday. Ad for per-diem BLS (EMTs) placed in Fire News for May edition. Gear Grid HQ lockers in production. Should be delivered in approx. 3 weeks. E-665 final inspection trip to Spartan this week. Attending will be, Chairman Nocerino, Vice-Chairman Raymond, Dist. Mechanic Cerullo, Capt. Moir, Lt. Martin, Ex-Capt. Grieco, and myself.

#### **Chiefs Letter**

None

#### **Chiefs Annual Report**

A brief discussion took place, and the board advised the chief they will review in workshop session.

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**Treasurer Frank** Per the attached document included in this month's Bill Schedule, all North Massapequa Fire District bank accounts have been reconciled for the month of March 2023 and there are no differences identified.

**Deputy Treasurer Gross** met with Kevin on Financial System. Working on grants.

**District Attorney Frank** all matters are in order.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Nocerino and seconded by Commissioner Abrams it was:

**RESOLVED** to let the Nassau County Police Department 8<sup>th</sup> Precinct use headquarters for a meeting.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Raymond and seconded by Commissioner Nocerino it was:

**RESOLVED** to go into executive session to discuss employment at 9:10 pm.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Meeting reconvened at 9:30 pm.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Commissioner Maroldo and seconded by Commissioner Abrams, it was:

**RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned at 9:35 pm.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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Chairman Nocerino

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Vice-Chairman Raymond

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Commissioner Schmidgall

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Commissioner Maroldo

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Commissioner Abrams