

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Monday, November 6, 2023

The Chairman, Commissioner Nocerino, called the Meeting to order at 8:10 P.M with a salute to the flag led by 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, Treasurer Kevin P. Frank, Superintendent Kraus, Attorney Joseph Frank, Chief Frascella, and 1st Assistant Chief Licata Excused was Commissioner Sean Abrams, Deputy Treasurer Lisa Lang, 2nd Assistant Chief Ferrante, and 3rd Assistant Chief Timpano.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Captain Schmidgall and Lieutenant Archipolo.

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on Monday, October 02, 2023, be accepted as printed and submitted by the secretary.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Budget Hearing held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, be accepted as printed and submitted by the secretary.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Special meeting held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, be accepted as printed and submitted by the secretary.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Maroldo and seconded by Commissioner Raymond 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 October 03, 2023, to November 06, 2023, and the fiscal officer has approved to pay such claims.

BNB Gen Checking – Check #'s 44748 thru 44835

BNB Payroll – Check # 138

BNB Cr# 1 – Check #'s 185 thru 189

BNB Cr# 2 – Check # 108

FB Gen Checking – Check # 50

Headquarters Bond - none

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

Joseph Sancetta Fire-Medic Company 2, 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 Schmidgall it was:

RESOLVED that the application of Joseph Sancetta Fire-Medic Company 2, 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 will need additional funds for new Chiefs car due to equipment on outgoing car is obsolete and will not work with new technology. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Nocerino and seconded by Commissioner Raymond 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 was determined to be seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars by a resolution adopted on May 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that an additional sum of twenty- five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars to bring the total sum to be expended on the New Chief's Vehicle/ Chevy Tahoe and Associated Equipment (labor, materials, and delivery), including incidental expenses, advertising, and attorney's fees to be one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars due to additional costs associated with equipping the new vehicle with necessary equipment.

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 revised maximum estimated cost of one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is subject to a permissive referendum as provided for in Section 6(g) of the General Municipal Law.

The motion was voted upon and carried by Commissioner Nocerino, Raymond, Schmidgall and Maroldo, Commissioner Abrams is excused.

Commissioner Raymond Motion to purchase EOC room furniture under the terms and conditions of the procurement contract as noted on the estimate. 665 as reported by the Superintendent all complete except for the Hose. 661 issued multiple prints to the committee from multiple manufacturers for an alternate truck, the committee decided to wait for the Ferrara truck. Motion for the chief's to only communicate with board members regarding committee assignments NO district employees example Superintendent and mechanic. Motion to outfit the new chiefs' car with emergency lights under the terms and conditions of the contract as indicated in the estimate. Motion to schedule the onboarding for the Ambulance recovery billing and have the following individuals listed as the POC Ralph, Frank, Eddie, and Kevin. From me and my family to you and yours Happy Thanksgiving

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

RESOLVED to outfit the new chiefs' car with emergency lights under the terms and conditions of the contract from CMJ Emergency Lighting not to exceed \$18,000.00 to be purchased off the Suffolk County Contract 27-PW-007.

The motion was voted upon and carried. (Estimate is attached).

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

RESOLVED to purchase new furniture and equipment for the Emergency Operations Center in Headquarters at a cost not to exceed \$28,000.00 from Hello Alert, to be purchased off NYS Bid # PT68896.

The motion was voted upon and carried. (A copy of Purchase order is attached).

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

RESOLVED to schedule the onboarding for the Ambulance recovery billing and have the following individuals listed as the POC Commissioner Raymond, Commissioner Nocerino, Superintendent Kraus, and Treasurer Frank.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED to direct the Chiefs Office that they can only communicate with the Commissioners and not go to District personnel for any problems unless it's and emergency (common sense to prevail).

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Commissioner Schmidgall Headquarters just about done some minor punch list things to be done. Diamond plate for the wall by the training window to be installed. Sonos speakers set up in the training area just waiting for the proper Wi-Fi to be connected to it. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Commissioner Maroldo will need 50 gift cards for Fire Prevention poster contest winners. Advised Board that the following personnel are attending 1. Hurricane Conference FDIC in Orlando, FL on March 25th to 28th, 2024. Commissioner Maroldo, Raymond, Nocerino, Superintendent Kraus, and Chief Frascella. 2. FDSOA at Phoenix, AZ from January 14th to the 19th, 2024. Commissioner Maroldo, Raymond, Nocerino, Superintendent Kraus, District Mechanic Cerullo and Chief Frascella. November 25th will be 15 to 20 people at Headquarters for a Safety Officers class, Board will supply Breakfast and lunch. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

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

RESOLVED to send Commissioner Maroldo, Raymond, Nocerino, Superintendent Kraus, District Mechanic Cerullo and Chief Frascella, to FDSOA at Phoenix, AZ from January 14th to the 19th, 2024 with all necessary and actual expenses paid by the Board.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED to send Commissioner Maroldo, Raymond, Nocerino, Superintendent Kraus, and Chief Frascella to Hurricane Conference FDIC in Orlando, FL on March 25th to 28th, 2024 with all necessary and actual expenses paid by the Board.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED to purchase 50 Gift cards from Amazon to be given to the Poster Contest winners.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Commissioner Abrams EXCUSED

District Superintendent Kraus Signal 5 Fire Apparatus looked at 6603 Ford Expedition. Would like to list for \$18,000. Sending agreement to BoFC for review/approval. Milburn Flooring to come Monday 11/13 with floor manufacturer to look at “yellowing” of new epoxy flooring. Gear cleaning began today. To continue tomorrow and into next week. L661 repair items in progress. E665 almost complete waiting on 5” hose and a few other tools. Need to order portable radios for L661. New Tahoe (6603) is going to CMJ Emergency Lighting tomorrow pending BoFC approval of the contract tonight. Need HVAC weatherproofing on old roof at HQ. Two quotes received. One from Vulcan for \$4500 and one from LI Roofing for \$4420. SJC to get HQ mezzanine training monitor up and running this week. SJC/Holborn Electric are also going to work together on dispatch HQ bay doors starting next week. Sonos speaker installation complete and operable. Diamond plate for HQ PSS window to be mounted next week. Correct parts for remaining gear lockers at HQ finally received. Installation to commence next week. Sta.2 ice machine OOS. Will be fully cleaned and repaired next week. MMC is coming on Wednesday to start reprogramming all mobiles with new UHF frequencies for several mutual aid departments. I will be attending IAFC in Florida starting Wednesday until Sunday. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

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

RESOLVEAD to have Long Island Roofing do repair work on the roof at Headquarters at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00.

The motion was voted upon and carried. (Copy of Quote is attached).

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

RESOLVED to repair the vestibule floor in the District Building with vinyl flooring, work to be done by Jim Flack Flooring at a cost not to exceed \$1,400.00.

The motion was voted upon and carried. (A copy of quote is attached).

Chiefs Letter

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

RESOLVED to purchase 3 Emergency Plug Devices for units 664, 667, 668 at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED give Company 2, a pop-up tent for units 662 and 663. Logo is their responsibility and to purchase a reciprocating saw for unit 662.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED to have South Farmingdale's new radio frequencies programed into North Massapequa radio's.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Old Business

1. The Employee Assistance Program is being handled by Commissioner Maroldo; more information is needed.
2. Medic Coverage will happen once we start the cost recovery program.
3. Updating radio frequencies in with Bellmore F.D., Merrick F.D. and South Farmingdale F.D. frequencies in portables and truck radios were approved waiting for vendor.
4. Additional portables will be purchased providing we get grant money for them.
5. Radio tags approved, District Superintendent to take care of.
6. Dispatcher alarm tracking matrix maintained by dispatcher has been **disapproved**.
7. Nassau County TAC 1 Frequency change in portables has been **disapproved**. Commissioner Maroldo is in favor of the Nassau County TAC 1 frequency change in the portables.

All other items have been noted. (Chiefs letter is attached).

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 September 2023 and there are no differences identified. September 2023 bank reconciliation was completed, and no differences, errors or discrepancies were identified. HQ additional expenses are being paid out of the NMFD CR# 2 Building project (802.044) and has a remaining balance of \$552,182.79. An account was created by Flushing Bank for EMS Recovery. We have received the checks for this account. Acct# 9990285306 / ABA# 226070474. 2023 Tax Cap was submitted online to the State Comptroller's office. We received an email that the North Massapequa Fire District submission was selected for review. We have received confirmation that they have completed a review, and the district calculations appear to be correct. The district has received an official notice from Albany to that effect.

Deputy Treasurer Reconciliations of monthly statements are conducted upon request.
Grants Administrator:

Requests Pending:

1. DR 4480 FEMA COVID-19 Federal Declaration – Inventory of damage was submitted to close out this grant
2. A meeting will be organized by FEMA to finalize any follow-up questions they may have. I will advise of the date and time.
3. FEMA Grants NOFO will be generated in January 2024

An email request was submitted on 10/27/23; information is needed on the current inventory of SCBA. This will allow me to start an information packet and narrative. Referencing NFPA standard 1852 Selection, Care, And Maintenance of Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). Can you identify for me if you have spare SCBAs? How many? Can you provide me with the year these SCBAs were placed in service? This will help me figure out if you are compliant with any of the previous standards, e.g., NFPA 1981, I am looking for us to be compliant with at least the 2018 edition of the NFPA standard. I will be able to assess my narrative on the deficiencies. Have any SCBAs been

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removed and out of service due to defects or obsolete SCBA components? Do these SCBAs have an integrated PASS system? I need the manufacturer details of your existing SCBAs. This will allow me to research their recommendation for end-of-service life. Size, type of cylinders in use, Rated service time. Does NMFD participate in EEES or bailout? I need to understand if I need to consider this for the future proposal of the new SCBA.

Requests:

1. Further information that may be provided to me on the (2) SAM Grants that are outstanding, #24318 250K awarded by Senator Kevin Thomas; #TBD 150K awarded by Assembly John Mikulin. Suggestions for next steps, escalation?

Tasks Completed:

1. SAM Annual Renewal is corrected and completed.
2. FEMA access granted and aligned to NMFD
3. Completed a total of grants trainings provided by FEMA
4. DHSES Site is being checked weekly for grant programs.

District Attorney Frank All matters are in order.

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

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 pm.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Chairman Nocerino

Vice-Chairman Raymond

Commissioner Schmidgall

Commissioner Maroldo

EXCUSED
Commissioner Abrams