

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Monday, August 5, 2024

The Chairman, Commissioner Raymond, called the Meeting to order at 8:20 P.M with a salute to the flag led by the District Secretary.

PRESENT WERE: Commissioner Ralph Raymond, Commissioner Sean Abrams, Commissioner Frank Nocerino, District Superintendent Edward Kraus, Secretary Nicholas Paolucci, Treasurer Kevin Frank, Deputy Treasurer Lisa-Lang Gross, Fire District Attorney Joseph Frank, Chief Licata, Chief Ferrante, and Chief Archipolo. Excused were Commissioner Robert Schmidgall, Commissioner James Maroldo, and Chief Timpano.

ALSO PRESENT WAS:

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on Monday, July 1, 2024, be accepted as printed and submitted by the secretary.

The motion was voted upon and carried

Upon motion made by Commissioner Nocerino and seconded by Commissioner Abrams 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 July 2, 2024, to August 5, 2024, and the fiscal officer has approved to pay such claims.

- BNB Gen Checking - Check #'s 45456 thru 45535
- BNB Payroll – Check #'s 149
- BNB Cr# 1 – Check #'s None
- BNB Cr# 2 – Check #'s 199
- FB Gen Checking - None
- Headquarters Bond – Check #'s None

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Commissioner Raymond Advised Board received 200 K from Assemblyman Mikulin totaling 350K. Invite Assemblyman John Mikulin to next Board meeting thanking him for the Grants. Inspection trip for 661 all set.

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

RESOLVED to purchase 2 Icom portable Radios not to exceed \$1000.00.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Abrams and seconded by Commissioner Nocerino 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 Law Building and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund" in local banks; and

WHEREAS the expenditure of funds on a replacement of air conditioning/ HVAC Equipment at the Headquarters Building 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 the replacement of air conditioning/ HVAC Equipment at the Headquarters Building (labor, and materials), including incidental expenses, advertising, architectural fees, engineering fees, and attorney's fees is estimated to be sixteen thousand (\$16,000.00) dollars; and

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 replacement of air conditioning/ HVAC Equipment at the Headquarters Building be completed and that the cost and expenses for such purchase including advertising, incidental expenses, architectural fees, engineering fees, and attorney's fees shall be expended from the Building and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund upon authorization of the Board of Fire Commissioners, at the maximum estimated cost of sixteen thousand (\$16,000.00) 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; and

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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

RESOLVED to use Albano A/C & Mechanical Service Corp to do the air conditioner work on the Headquarters Chiefs wing.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

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 is estimated to be one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars; and

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 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.

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

RESOLVED to eliminate the \$120.00 Yearly cellphone fee from the Commissioners, Chiefs, Officers and employees of the Fire District and to update the Cellphone policy to reflect the change..

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Commissioner Schmidgall excused

Commissioner Abrams Headquarters' is complete final payment made just waiting for Certificate of Occupancy.

Commissioner Maroldo excused

Commissioner Nocerino all matters are in order

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

RESOLVED to send a letter nominating Commissioner Raymond for 2nd Vice President to the Association of Fire Districts State of New York.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

District Superintendent Kraus L661 final inspection trip Tues. 8/13 – Wed. 8/14. E-662 back in service at HQ. Steering repairs were completed by Firematic. E-665 Wet-down went well. DeNooyer has 2024 white Tahoe available. 2025 will not be ready until January. Travel accommodation's booked for Board Members attending AFDNYS in October. Old gear racks donated to North Babylon FD. Need motion for HVAC for Chiefs Wing at HQ. Two quotes received. Hornet infestation resolved at Sta.#2. Waiting on ceiling materials for Supt. Office. Manor East plans submitted by the owners for BoFC review.

Chiefs Letter

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

RESOLVED that the following items pertaining to the operation of the North Massapequa Fire Department be acted upon:

1. Approve the use of Headquarters meeting room on Thursday September 26, 2024 for the Nassau County Parade Officials to hold their quarterly meeting.
2. Approve the purchase of two Icom radios.
3. Approve the dropping of Steve Ramos, Matthew Paladino, and Steve Zacharevitz pending the return of their equipment.

All other matters have been noted.

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 June 2024 and there are no differences identified.

Deputy Treasurer Gross Reconciliations of monthly statements are conducted upon request.
EMS Billing QA no report.

Grants Administrator:

In Flight:

1. **SAFER** Grant was submitted 5/4/24 EMW-2023-FF-01407 for 64K for recruitment and retention
2. **AFG** Grant was submitted on 2/28/24 EMW-2023-FG-06831 for 255,888.00 for 48 APX Radios
There is no action currently for the above FEMA grants, monitoring regularly for any additional due diligence.
3. **DASNY** – 4/12/24 This now has a processor assigned, and we will need to act quickly on items requested during the review.
 - o 350K awarded by Assembly John Mikulin.
 - o All Documentation requests are being submitted timely.
4. **NYS V-Fire Grant** – 1/23/24- Project VF23-1035-E00 A funding request for 50 new SCBAs totaling \$483,000. No action is required currently. Monitoring regularly for additional due diligence.
5. **Fire House Subs 7/15/24** A Grant has been submitted for 3 Lucus CPR Mechanical Machines. Thank you, Supervisor Kraus, for your assistance.
6. **Leary Firefighters Foundation 7/24/24-** Requested funds for SCBAs.

Pending:

State Farm 10K for equipment: Do we have membership for the National Volunteer Association?

Tasks Completed:

Monitoring and research for grant opportunities

District Attorney Frank all matters are in order

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

RESOLVED to go into executive session to discuss employment at 8:45 pm.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Meeting reconvened at 8:50 pm.

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

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:52 pm.

The motion was voted upon and carried.

Chairman Raymond

Excused
Vice-Chairman Schmidgall

Excused
Commissioner Maroldo

Commissioner Abrams

Commissioner Nocerino