MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE FAIRVIEW FIRE DISTRICT WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK 11 MAY 2023

Present:

Commissioner Daymon S. Yizar

Commissioner Vikki Simmons Commissioner John Malone Commissioner James Robinson

Absent:

Commissioner Emma Walthall-Moon

Also Present:

Chief Howard Reiss Secretary Sarah Senior

Also Absent:

Treasurer Matilde Abate

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Fairview Fire District, Westchester County, New York, of Thursday, 11 May 2023, convened at 18:32 hours at Fire Headquarters at 19 Rosemont Boulevard, Greenburgh, New York. The presiding officer was Chair Daymon Yizar.

R23-05-01

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the meeting shall be called to order:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

Chair Yizar called the roll: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar present. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

R23-05-02

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the minutes of the regular meeting of 13 April shall be approved as submitted by the Secretary:
Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

Apparatus Committee

The committee traveled to Clintonville, WI, in April for a pre-construction meeting with Seagrave Ladder-1 truck specifications with Seagrave.

Chief Reiss suggested that the Board consider purchasing a replacement for Engine 176. The engine is 14 years old, and the build time exceeds two years. He reported that pricing is increasing rapidly, and it may be beneficial to go into contract on the purchase now at the current price.

Captain Davino has taken on the Antique Ahrens Fox project.

Commissioner Simmons asked if finalizing a contract now would lock in the current price and stop it from increasing. Chief Reiss stated that signing a contract now would guarantee the price, outside of specification changes.

House and Grounds Committee

The Committee received a second quote for the carpeting from T.F. Andrew Carpet One & Floor of New Rochelle, NY. The quoted prices are \$2,237.68 for the Boardroom and \$4,966.86 for the offices. The Committee reminded the board of the quote from Carpet World of \$4,732.87 for the Boardroom and \$8,899 for the offices.



R23-05-03

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the Board approves the total amount of \$7,204.54 to be paid to T.F. Andrew Carpet One & Floor of New Rochelle, NY, for the purchase and installation of carpet in the Headquarters Boardroom and offices:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

Chief's Report

R23-05-04

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the Board approves FF. Callagy to attend Swift Water Training in Oriskany, NY, from 26 June to 30 June 2023, at no cost to the District:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

Westchester County's Squad 6 HazMat training is scheduled for 27 May, 5 June, and 12 June. The county will reimburse the cost of all overtime incurred by the District.

Spring training days are complete, and members did an exceptional job.

Fairfield Uniform Company will be at Headquarters on 12 May 2023 from 7:00 to 9:00 hours.

The Department completed another Sound the Alarm smoke detector installation program from 24 April to 27 April 2023. Members were able to replace the smoke detectors in the Lawrence Drive complex.

The 2023 Memorial Day Service will take place on Monday, 29 May 2023. The service will begin with a short Ceremony at Greenburgh Police Headquarters at 11:00 hours, followed by our annual community barbecue at Fairview Fire Headquarters.

On 10 May 2023, The Department was tasked with providing an EMS and decontamination detail for President Joe Biden during his address at Westchester Community College. Chief Reiss, DC Malone, and FFs Rodriguez, LoGiudice, and J. Jones took part in the detail. The Department was honored to be given that responsibility, and the members showed great decorum.

The Department is hosting an intern from Horace E. Greely High School.

Donnell Dinkins of the Theodore D Young Community Center inquired with the Chief about placing 2-3 cadets over the summer of Operations Crossroads as they have done in the past.

In April 2023, the Department responded to 204 alarms, 107 EMS and Extrication calls, 13 mutual aid-out responses, and 3 mutual aid-in responses.

End of Chief's Report

The Board discussed and agreed to place the investment account and a portion of the operating account into federally insured Certificates of Deposit for 90 days.

R23-05-04

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the Board shall enter into Executive Session to discuss matters relating to the medical history and employment of particular persons and to review the Sick and Late Report for April 2023:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

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The Board entered into Executive Session at 18:58 hours.

The Executive Session concluded at 19:06 hours.

R23-05-05

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Simmons that the Public Session shall resume:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

R23-05-06

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Simmons that the Board shall authorize payment to employees for periods of illness/sick time set forth in the Sick & Late Report for April 2023:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

R23-05-07

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the bills shall be approved as submitted by the Treasurer and recorded in the Account QuickReport as of 31 May 2023 in the amount of \$269,139.66:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

R23-05-08

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon the motion offered by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Simmons that the meeting shall be adjourned at 19:07 hours:

Roll call: Commissioners Simmons, Malone, Robinson, and Yizar voting, aye, nays none. Commissioner Walthall-Moon absent.

The motion was carried.

Sarah Senior (___) Fire District Secretary