

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE FAIRVIEW FIRE DISTRICT
WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK
11 NOVEMBER 2021

Present: Commissioner John Malone
Commissioner Vikki Simmons
Commissioner Daymon S. Yizar
Commissioner Emma Walthall-Moon
Commissioner James Robinson

Also Present: Chief Howard Reiss
Treasurer Matilde Abate
Secretary Sarah Senior

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Fairview Fire District, Westchester County, New York, of Thursday, 11 November 2021, convened at 18:31 hours at Fire Headquarters at 19 Rosemont Boulevard, Greenburgh, New York. The presiding officer was Chair John Malone.

R21-11-01

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the meeting shall be called to order:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

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

R21-11-02

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Yizar and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the minutes of the regular meeting of 14 October 2021 shall be approved as submitted by the Secretary:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-03

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Walthall-Moon and seconded by Commissioner Yizar that the minutes of the Public Hearing of 19 October 2021 shall be approved as submitted by the Secretary:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-04

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Yizar and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the minutes of the special meeting of 19 October 2021 shall be approved as submitted by the Secretary:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-05

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Walthall-Moon and seconded by Commissioner Yizar that the minutes of the special meeting of 21 October 2021 shall be approved as submitted by the Secretary:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

Health & Safety

R21-11-06

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Yizar and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the sum of \$1,775 shall be paid to All-Pro Restorations of Elmsford, NY for the cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting the HVAC units and ductwork at Headquarters and Station 2:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.



There is an ongoing discussion amongst neighboring Departments about the potential need for individual regulators for Scott Packs. We are looking into applying for a federal grant with other local departments for funding these regulators.

Commissioner Simmons suggested reaching out to Winsome Gordon of the Town of Greenburgh, as she has excellent experience writing successful grants.

Chief's Report

R21-11-07

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the Board approves FF Padraic Murray's attendance at the Westchester County Fire Training Center, Firefighter Training Series from 16 November 2021 to 20 December 2021 at no cost to the District:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

Michael Murray is scheduled to attend First-Line Supervisor School with FDNY from 3 January 2022 to 28 January 2022 in accordance with his promotion to Fire Captain. The course will be held at Fort Totten in NYC.

Metropolis Country Club Member's Association was gracious in donating \$10,000 to the Department. We discussed using the donation to replace defibrillators, and DC DiGilio is currently researching.

R21-11-08

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Yizar and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the Board approves the purchase of two(2) 100' lengths of 4-inch Supply Hose and six(6) 50' lengths of 2-inch hose at the total cost of \$2,964:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

Recently, there has been an increase in businesses charging a credit card fee on top of the purchase cost. The fee is usually about 3.5%, and the Department is doing their best to avoid them where possible.

On 25 October, 16 members attended Hazmat training with the county. On 8 November, Captain Lester and Firefighters Lowrey, Zima, and Theile participated in the Squad drill. Both drills went well.

The Fall training days are in progress, Groups 1 and 3 participating on 29 October. Groups 2 and 4 have their training on 12 November. Members are being trained on Thermal Imaging Cameras.

Commissioners Malone and Simmons and department members attended the Westchester County Memorial Service on 17 October, where FF Robert Mentransti was honored with his name being added to the wall.

Chief Reiss expressed his gratitude to the Board for allowing the Department to host the memorial service for retired FF David Pagliaroli on 21 October. It was well attended, and the family was very appreciative. The Department received a thank you card for the Board members that attended and Commissioner Simmons for her kind words.

R21-11-09

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the Board shall approve that the equipment set forth below shall be declared surplus:

The following items shall be declared surplus and sold: 1 Hurst Honda Portable Power Unit, 1 Hurst Spreader SP310, 1 Hurst Cutter S510, 2 Hurst Quick Connect Hoses (10,000 PSI), and 1 Lucas 3 Stage Ram R430:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

Chief Reiss informed the Board of the 2022 Group changes.

On 17 October, the Fire Prevention trailer was sent to Scarsdale for an event. On 31 October, the Department sent an Engine and participated in the Parkway Gardens Halloween event. On 11 November, an Engine was sent to the Veteran's Day Service at Desanti Park in Hartsdale.

The Department responded to 227 alarms in October 2021, including 120 EMS and Extrication calls, 7 mutual aid-out responses, and 6 mutual aid-in responses.

End of Chief's Report

R21-11-10

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the following Line Transfer in the 2021 Budget shall be approved as recommended by the Treasurer:

2021 Budget Line Transfer: The Treasurer shall reduce the *Personnel Line* (#100) by the sum of \$150,000.00, decreasing the *Personnel Line* from \$6,617,029.00 to \$6,467,029.00, and add the sum of \$150,000.00 to the *Overtime Line* (#101), increasing the *Overtime Line* from \$620,000.00 to \$770,000.00;

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-11

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon 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 of October 2021:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 18:56 hours.

The Executive Session was concluded at 19:21 hours.

R21-11-12

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

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-13

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Yizar that the Board shall authorize payment to employees for periods of illness/sick time set forth in the Sick & Late Report for October 2021:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-14

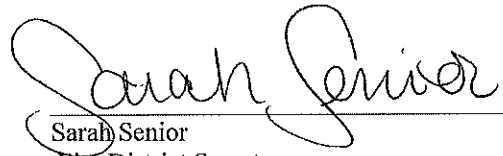
Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Walthall-Moon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the bills shall be approved as submitted by the Treasurer and recorded in the Account QuickReport as of 11 November 2021 in the amount of \$290,274.50:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

R21-11-15

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon the motion offered by Commissioner Yizar and seconded by Commissioner Walthall-Moon that the meeting shall be adjourned at 19:27 hours:

Roll Call: Commissioners Simmons, Yizar, Walthall-Moon, Robinson, and Malone voting aye, nays none, none absent. The motion was carried.

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Sarah Senior
Fire District Secretary

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