

Oceanside Fire District

Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order on January 23, 2024 at 19:30.

Presiding: Chairman Vincent Staffa
In Attendance: Commissioner Charles Fortin
Commissioner Michael Graham
Commissioner Biagio Rosano
Commissioner John Madden
District Manager John Lund III
District Secretary Tricia Schields
District Treasurer Kevin Grasing
Deputy Treasurer Patrick Cunningham
Chief Michael Gress
1st Asst Chief Sean Costigan
2nd Asst Chief Sean Lynch
3rd Asst Chief Kevin Klein

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Madden, to approve the last meeting's minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

BID OPENING - None / COUNCIL – Resignation – EMS Squad Jaide Ednie

NEW MEMBERS - Thomas Havey Southside- residing at 3370 Lindbergh Avenue and Matthew Miga Salamander – residing at 3005 Fortesque Avenue, All paperwork is in order and approved.

Commissioner Rosano then swore the new members in.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to approve the resignation of Jaide Ednie from the EMS Squad as well as New Members Thomas Havey into Southside and Matthew Miga into Salamander. All in favor. Motion carried.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS -

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, regarding a request that the Federal Q Siren currently on 246 be switched to a Model 28 which will be supplied by Hose Company be tabled pending discussion with the Mechanic. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Madden, to approve the members of Hose Company purchase The Red hoods they requested, as the hoods meet the specification of our current hoods, With the stipulation that the members are responsible for any loss or damage of or to the hoods. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Chief Klein has submitted the list of Standby Units for the Installation Dinner on February 3rd

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to approve a table of (10) for the Association of Fire Districts of Nassau County Annual Installation Dinner on Friday March 1, 2024 and a Full Page Journal Ad at a total cost of \$1,750.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

EQUIPMENT -

A motion was made by Commissioner Madden, seconded by Commissioner Rosano, to table the purchase of the 3AM Florian accountability system, for further pricing. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to table the request from the five Captains requesting new Sterling FDNY search ropes for the apparatus at a cost of \$5,664.45, for further pricing. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT-

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to approve Training Committee Chair Brian Ferrucci Jr. attend the Hands-on Forcible Entry training at the Long Island Fire EMS Expo on February 3, 2024, at a cost of \$150. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Madden, to approve Angela St. Martin be added to the Department Chauffeurs list after passing her road test on 242-A. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to approve the use of both Vans and the Fire Prevention car for the Ceremonial Unit to use for the NY Islanders game on April 11, 2024. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to approve Dawn Lipner be taken off her personal leave of absence and placed back on the active roles. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Chief Gress was sent a letter advising him of decisions affecting the Department from the last Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Madden, to approve three Hall rentals approved by the Chief. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
John J. Lund III
District Manager

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Commissioner Fortin, seconded by Commissioner Rosano, to approve a member who is entitled to commence receiving his benefits. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fortin, seconded by Commissioner Rosano, to approve the 2023 LOSAP Points Census Report. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Attached to my report is the Payment Reconciliation for the Service Award Program for 2023. This report was prepared by Firefly.

- Attached are the updated 2023 Budget and current balances of all accounts.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Grasing
Treasurer

CHIEF'S REPORT

- Thank you for the new Scanner in the Chief's Office.

Motion by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Madden, to pay all bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made at 17:42 by Commissioner Fortin, seconded by Commissioner Rosano, to go into Executive Session. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made at 20:20 by Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Fortin, to exit Executive Session and reopen the public portion of the meeting.

**Motion by Commissioner Rosano, seconded by Commissioner Madden, to approve the following members to attend FDIC in Indianapolis, IN from April 14 – April 20, 2024:
Commissioners Staffa, Rosano, Fortin & Madden;
Chiefs Gress, S. Costigan, S. Lynch & K. Klein;
FF's Ferrucci Jr., Massimillo, Wright, Engel, Sitzman, Agruso, Hood, Follo, P. Madden & Sabatino. District Employee Martin. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Motion made at 20:30 by Commissioner Fortin, seconded by Commissioner Rosano, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:30.

Submitted by,
Tricia Schields
District Secretary