

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

Present: Commissioner Daymon Yizar
Commissioner Vikki Simmons
Commissioner John Malone
Commissioner James Robinson

Absent: Commissioner Emma Walthall-Moon

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, 14 September 2023, convened at 12:33 hours at Fire Headquarters at 19 Rosemont Boulevard, Greenburgh, New York. The presiding officer was Chair Daymon Yizar.

R23-09-01

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Simmons 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.

R23-09-02

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that the minutes of the regular meeting of 10 August 2023 shall be approved as submitted by the Secretary:

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

The motion was carried.

Apparatus Committee

The Final apparatus specifications for Ladder-1 have been confirmed with Seagrave. The updated cost of the vehicle is \$1,953,366.

Engine 175 is still at Hendrickson; Cummins has denied the warranty claim. There will be an in-person meeting next week to discuss further action.

The Chief is seeking quotes to transfer the emergency lighting from his current vehicle to the new Car 2121.

The Committee received an offer to buy the antique Arons Fox. However, the Committee still needs to post the vehicle for sale publicly before it can be purchased.

Finance Committee

The Committee met on 12 September 2023 and reviewed payroll, financial statements, and reports through August 2023. The Committee found the payroll and all reports and statements in order.

Chief's Report

The County has approved an all-county hand-on mutual aid drill, and overtime incurred from the training drill will be reimbursed by Westchester County.



The Fall training days will be in conjunction with White Plains Fire Departments, and the departments will train on ladder and pump operations. The dates have not been confirmed yet.

The County Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service will be on 22 October 2023.

The bargaining units are reviewing the final draft of the contracts and should be ready to be signed soon.

Since the August regular meeting, the Department has participated in the following community events: on 8/12/23, the Fire Prevention Trailer went to Yosemite Park for Family Day. On 9/8/23, students from the Leffell School came to Headquarters and cooked breakfast, a community event on Saratoga Rd on 9/9/23. On 9/11/23, the Department participated in the Town of Greenburgh Memorial Service at Anthony F. Veteran Park and provided Ladder-1 for the Westchester County Memorial Service at the Kensico Dam.

In August 2023, the Department responded to 205 alarms, 131 EMS and Extrication calls, 8 mutual aid-out responses, and 2 mutual aid-in responses.

End of Chief's Report

R23-09-03

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Robinson that, the following Line Transfer in the 2023 Budget shall be approved as recommended by the Treasurer:

2023 Budget Line Transfer: The Treasurer shall reduce the *Certiorari Line* (#804) by the sum of \$50,000.00, decreasing the *Certiorari Line* from \$300,000 to \$250,000, and add the sum of \$50,000.00 to the *Other Equipment & Supplies Line* (#306), increasing the *Other Equipment & Supplies Line* from \$141,875.00 to \$191,875.00;

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

The motion was carried.

R23-09-04

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Malone that, the following Line Transfer in the 2023 Budget shall be approved as recommended by the Treasurer:

2023 Budget Line Transfer: The Treasurer shall reduce the *Certiorari Line* (#804) by the sum of \$7,000.00, decreasing the *Certiorari Line* from \$250,000 to \$243,000, and add the sum of \$7,000.00 to the *Computer Hardware & Software Line* (#208), increasing the *Computer Hardware & Software Line* from \$15,000.00 to \$22,000.00;

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

The motion was carried.

The Board discussed the line items for the proposed budget for the year 2024.

R23-09-05

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Robinson and Seconded by Commissioner Malone that the proposed Fire District Budget for the year 2024 in the amount of \$14,883,264.40 shall be approved for the presentation to the public at the Budget Hearing to be held on 17 October 2023 at 18:30 hours:

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

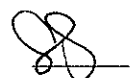
The motion was carried.

R23-09-06

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 of August 2023:

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

The motion was carried.



The Board entered into Executive Session at 13:06 hours.

The Executive Session was concluded at 13:09 hours.

R23-09-07

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.

R23-09-08

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

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

The motion was carried.

R23-09-09

Upon the motion offered by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Simmons that the bills shall be approved as submitted by the Treasurer and recorded in the Account QuickReport as of 16 September 2023 in the amount of \$294,911.69:

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

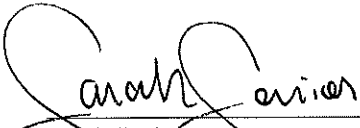
The motion was carried.

R23-09-10

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 13:12 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

