

# INTERIM MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS & CHIEFS SEAFORD FIRE DISTRICT: Monday, March 4, 2024

Present: Chairman George von Glahn  
Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo  
Fire Commissioner Michael Bellissimo  
Fire Commissioner Robert Podesta  
Fire Commissioner Peter Mangiolino  
First Assistant Chief Thomas Cottone  
Second Assistant Chief Brian Beehler  
District Secretary Michael R. Foran

Chairman George von Glahn called the Interim meeting to order at 21:30 hours.

Chief's Report: First Assistant Chief Thomas Cottone read through the February 2024 Chief's Report.

- Attachments
  - Department Monthly Percentage Report – February 1, 2024 to February 29, 2024.
  - Department Apparatus Checkout – February 2024.
  - MERV – Department Snow Standby.
  - Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – Member dismissal.
  - Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – Member return from medical leave.
  - Office of the Chief – Listing of Members Under 21 Years of Age.

## Chiefs' Comments

- First Assistant Chief Cottone inquired the status of waivers requested for the Department 2024 election. Discussion followed.
- Second Assistant Chief Beehler advised Department attending Huntington St. Patrick's Parade on March 10<sup>th</sup> to support Msgr. Steven Camp. Unanimously approved.

## Commissioners' Comments

- Chairman George von Glahn
  - No further comments.
- Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo
  - Discussed the point system and inquired with the Chiefs present regarding how it was progressing. Chiefs advised it was going well with little concern. Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo advised that when the first quarter is completed if there are no new recommendations the Department bylaws will be updated to include the new point system.

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- Commissioner Michael Bellissimo
  - Discussed the School Leave policy and the need to follow the policy and to submit the required paperwork to the District. Discussion ensued. 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief Beehler noted that the Chiefs Office will be reviewing the policy and will make recommendations to modify the policy to better serve the needs of the Department.
  - Discussed the draft of the Drill Team policy. Advised of changes to be made.
  - Advised that the District is reviewing the Department bylaws and if the Chiefs feel any items need to be added, modified or removed from the bylaws to notify the District as soon as possible.
- Commissioner Robert Podesta
  - Advised Chiefs if member(s) are attending hands-on training with gear unit 689 is to be used for transport. 688 is to be used for transport to and from classroom type training only. No gear should be placed in 688.
  - Requested the Chiefs update the COVID Chiefs' Order to current CDC recommendations.
- Commissioner Peter Mangiolino
  - Discussed members who have not had 2024 Department physical examinations.
  - Discussed that members who have been transported to a hospital for any reason are to be placed on medical leave until cleared by Department physician. Discussion then ensued. Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo stated need for this directive for liability purposes. Secretary Michael Foran to update Medical & Military Leave policy to include this directive.
  
- On a motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Commissioner Peter Mangiolino and unanimously carried the Board of Fire Commissioners approve the membership of Vincent Ciccolella.
- Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Commissioner Peter Mangiolino to waive six (6) months driving for Firefighter Brian Winter for upcoming Department election and pending successful completion of his Introduction to Fire Officer class. Unanimously carried.

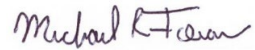
District Manager Paul Lochner

- Not present.

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There being no further business to be conducted at this time, the meeting adjourned at 23:05 hours, March 4, 2024, on a motion by Chairman George von Glahn, second by Commissioner Robert Podesta. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael R. Foran".

Michael R. Foran  
Secretary  
Seaford Fire District