

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SEAFORD FIRE DISTRICT: Monday, April 22, 2024

Present: Chairman George von Glahn
Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo
Fire Commissioner Michael Bellissimo
District Manager Paul Lochner
District Treasurer Michael Murphy
District Secretary / Deputy Treasurer Michael R. Foran
Joseph Frank, Esq.
Patrick Cunningham, Consultant

Chairman George von Glahn called the Regular meeting to order at 20:00 hours.

Communications Received

- Operations Report for April 2024.
- Treasurer Report for April 2024.
- Seaford Hook, Ladder and Engine Co. No. 1, Inc. – Acceptance of Jack Sander into the Company.
- Nassau County Board of Elections – Claim Submitted By Owner of Polling Place.
- Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – Removal of Member (1).
- Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – Removal of Member (2).

Secretary Report (Presented by District Secretary Michael R. Foran)

- Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Chairman George von Glahn to accept minutes from the March 25, 2024 BOFC meeting and April 1, 2024 Interim BOFC / Chiefs meeting. Unanimously carried.
- May 27th BOFC meeting conflicts with Memorial Day holiday. Meeting moved to Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at 8:00 P.M. Legal notice sent to paper.
- June 24, 2024 BOFC meeting conflicts with Seaford 9/11 Patriot Award Dinner. Motion by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo, second by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo to move the June 24, 2024 BOFC meeting to Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at 8:00 P.M. Unanimously carried. Secretary Foran to prepare legal notice.
- Policy review.
 - Policies (Credit Card, Marijuana in the Workplace, Off Duty and On Duty Conduct, Use of Alcohol) approved at March 25th meeting updated and placed in Policy Book.
 - Fitness and Wellness Policy (new)
 - Medical & Military Leave
 - Annual Firefighters' Inspection Dinner Policy
 - Driver License Requirements for Members Policy
 - Drug Testing Policy
 - Line of Duty Injury Procedure
 - Paramedic Reimbursement Program Policy
- 2024 Bylaw review commenced on March 13th. Made good progress. Next workshop scheduled for Wednesday, May 1st at 7:30 PM.

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Operations Report (Presented by District Manager Paul Lochner)

- See report and new business.
- Thanked the BOFC for their understanding, support and sympathy during the passing of his Mother.

Legal Report (Not present)

- Advised policies for approval at tonight's meeting are acceptable, with one change noted to the Drug Testing Policy.

Treasurer Report (Presented by Deputy Treasurer Michael Foran)

- General Fund Warrant: \$333,483.06
- Apparatus Warrant: \$0.00
- Building Warrant: \$0.00
- Discussion regarding (new) checking account for EMS Cost Recovery funds. Discussion then ensued regarding the District's current banking fees and interest. Motion by Chairman George von Glahn, second by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo to move all accounts at Chase Bank to Flushing Bank. Unanimously carried.
- Patrick Cunningham discussed the LOSAP accounts and relationship between Hometown and Shelter Rock.
- Motion by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo, second by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo to accept Treasurer Report. Unanimously carried.

Treasurer Michael Murphy exited the meeting at the conclusion of the Treasurer's report.

Old Business

- Physical Fitness Program / Policy. Topic tabled pending further review.
- Commissioner Michael Bellissimo reports progress on Ex-Captain plaque.
- Secretary Michael Foran discussed petition by AFDSNY regarding proposed new OSHA standards for the fire service. District Manager Paul Lochner to distribute the information to Department members.

Commissioner Reports

- **Chairman George von Glahn, Jr.**
 - Grants
 - Reports progress. See Operation report.
 - Legal
 - No report.
 - Physical Fitness
 - See old business.
 - Building Maintenance
 - Reports progress, see Operation report.
 - Public Relations / Member Retention

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- Reports progress.
 - LOSAP
 - See Treasurer's report.
- **Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo**
 - Insurance
 - No report.
 - Travel
 - F.D.I.C., Indianapolis, IN
 - District Manager Paul Lochner and Captain Peter Lochner could not attend due to death of immediate family member.
 - NYS Chiefs, Syracuse, NY from Wednesday, June 12, 2024 thru Saturday, June 15, 2024.
 - N.F.P.A., Orlando, FL from Monday, June 17, 2024 thru Friday, June 21, 2024.
 - APCO, Orlando, FL from Sunday, August 4, 2024 thru Wednesday, August 7, 2024.
 - FASNY, Niagara Falls, NY from Wednesday, August 7, 2024 thru Saturday, August 10, 2024.
 - I.A.F.C., Dallas, TX from Wednesday, August 14, 2024 thru Saturday, August 17, 2024.
 - Inspection / Installation
 - All is on for May 4th. Anticipating 231 or so guests.
 - Cell Phones
 - Working on getting accounts organized due to changes in Officers.
 - 3 Towns Training Center
 - No report.
- **Commissioner Michael Bellissimo**
 - Uniforms / PPE
 - Reports progress. See Operations report and new business.
 - Building Security
 - No issues.
 - Fire Alarms
 - No issues.
 - Financial Statements / Audit
 - See Treasurer report.
 - Bylaws / Policies
 - See Secretary report and new business.
 - Drill Team
 - Reports progress. See new business.
- **Commissioner Robert Podesta (Not present)**
 - Communication / Radio / Information Technology
 - No report.
 - Vehicle Maintenance / Portable Equipment
 - No report. See Operations report.
- **Commissioner Peter Mangiolino (Not present)**
 - Medicals / Medical Director
 - No report.

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- EMS
 - No report.
- District Employees
 - No report.

New Business

- Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo to verify and approve all results of the 2024 Department Elections held on Thursday, April 4, 2024. Unanimously carried.
- Motion by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo, second by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo to purchase 2nd set of gear for 2nd Assistant Chief Diehl at a cost of \$3,127.67. Unanimously carried.
- Motion by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo, second by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo to purchase two (2) tires for 680-B at a cost of \$700.00. Unanimously carried.
- Policy review.
 - Medical & Military Leave – Tabled pending further review.
 - Fitness & Wellness Policy – Tabled pending further review.
 - Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo to accept the following policies as amended / written. Unanimously carried.
 - Annual Firefighters’ Inspection Dinner Policy
 - Driver License Requirements for Members Policy
 - Drug Testing Policy (amended)
 - Line of Duty Injury Procedure
 - Paramedic Reimbursement Program Policy

Chiefs’ Report

- Equipment requests.
 - None.
- Open items.
 - Draft Junior Firefighter Program.
 - Draft Drill Team policy.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo, second by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo to close the meeting at 21:05 hours, April 22, 2024. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael R. Foran
Secretary
Seaford Fire District