

# INTERIM MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS & CHIEFS

## SEAFORD FIRE DISTRICT: Monday, June 3, 2024

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

Chairman George von Glahn called the Interim meeting to order at 21:08 hours.

Chief's Report: Chief of Department Thomas Cottone read through the May 2024 Chief's Report in its entirety.

- Attachments
  - Department Monthly Percentage Report – May 1, 2024 to May 31, 2024.
  - Department Apparatus Checkout – May 2024.
  - Controlled Substance Destruction Report.
  - EMS Assigned Radio Numbers.
  - Line Officer Shirt Information
  - Seaford Fire Department Incident Investigation Report.
  - Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – Medical Leave.
  - Seaford Junior Firefighter Roster.
  - Massapequa Fire District – Massapequa Fire Department members approved to run with the Seaford Inmates and COI.
  - Seaford Fire Department Office of the Chief – Request to NYS Drill Team Association to approve merger between Seaford and Massapequa Fire Department Drill Teams.
  - MERV – Memorial Day BBQ
  - MERV – Installation Dinner Stand-by Crew
  - MERV – Air Show Refreshments
  - MERV – Nassau County Memorial Mass at Valley Stream
  - MERV – Family Memorial BBQ
  - MERV – Air Show Supplies

### Chiefs' Comments

- Chief of Department Thomas Cottone
  - Advised he will be updating the injury report forms. Will provide example once reworked.

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- Requests the District Manager send the Chiefs Office an email when new equipment arrives or when there is a delay in receipt of requested equipment.
- First Assistant Chief Brian Beehler
  - Advised of arch detail on June 8<sup>th</sup> at Seaman Neck Park w/690 for Beyond the Badge event.
- Second Assistant Chief Scott Diehl
  - No further matters.

### Commissioners' / District Manager Comments

- Chairman George von Glahn
  - Advised Chiefs of status of equipment requests listed in the Chiefs Comments / Open Items / Items for Discussion section of the Chief's report.
  - Discussed notifications to the BOFC of member leave. Advised the Chiefs that the Department's Change in Status Form is to be modified to include a Commissioner's signature. Progressing forward upon receipt of a Change in Status Form the District Secretary is to forward the form to a Commissioner for signature as well as email the form to all Commissioners prior to filing.
  - Discussed the recent removal of Truck 683 from service and the need to properly access the situation prior to removal from service.
- Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo
  - Inquired if the Chiefs had any further recommendations for modification of District / Department Bylaw Article XIII, Section 5. Chief Cottone advised the request is withdrawn by Chiefs Office.
- Commissioner Michael Bellissimo
  - Discussed chain of command in regard to requests from the membership. Discussion ensued regarding Company patches.
- Commissioner Robert Podesta
  - Suggested the Chiefs Office review the Chiefs Orders for backing up of apparatus.
- Commissioner Peter Mangiolino
  - Not present.
- District Manager Paul Lochner
  - Not present.

Chiefs left the meeting at 21:45 hours.

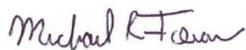
- On a motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Chairman George von Glahn and unanimously carried the Board of Fire Commissioners approve the membership of Matthew Minecci.

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- Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Chairman George von Glahn to purchase apparel for Line Officers as detailed in the Chiefs Report. Unanimously carried.
- Drill Team policy tabled pending further review by the BOFC.
- Equipment Requests / MERVs
  - Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Commissioner Michael Bellissimo to approve the following MERVs. Unanimously carried.
    - MERV – Installation Dinner Stand-by Crew in the amount of \$425.00 payable to the Chiefs Account.
    - MERV – Nassau County Memorial Mass at Valley Stream in the amount of \$73.32 payable to the Chiefs Account.
    - MERV – Air Show supplies in the amount of \$40.69 payable to the Chiefs Account.
  - The following MERVs were rejected by the Board of Fire Commissioners.
    - MERV – Memorial Day BBQ.
    - MERV – Air Show Refreshments.
    - MERV – Family Memorial BBQ.

Being no further business to be conducted at this time, the meeting adjourned at 22:16 hours, June 3, 2024, on a motion by Chairman George von Glahn, second by Commissioner Robert Podesta. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael R. Foran  
Secretary  
Seaford Fire District