

# INTERIM MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS & CHIEFS SEAFORD FIRE DISTRICT: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

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

Chairman George von Glahn called the Interim meeting to order at 21:37 hours.

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

- Attachments
  - Department Monthly Percentage Report – September 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024.
  - Department Quarterly Percentage Report – Q3 July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024.
  - Apparatus Check Out Report – September 2024.
  - Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – P. Mangiolino
  - Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – B. McVetty
  - Seaford Fire Department Change in Status Form – P. Bizzarro
  - Chiefs Office – Members certified in Water Rescue Awareness, Basic Water & Flood Rescue, Floodwater Awareness, Surface Ice Water Rescue, Hurricane Awareness / Flooding Hazard and/or Small Boat Handling.
  - Chiefs Office – Members on Social Suspension.
  - MERV - 09/14/24 - Standby crews during 6th Battalion parade in the amount of \$247.83 payable to the Chief's account.
  - MERV - 09/21/24 – Home coming parade crews in the amount of \$322.13 payable to the Chief's account.
  - MERV - 09/28/24 – Touch a Truck / Fire Prevention in the amount of \$92.15 payable to the Chief's account.

## Chiefs' Comments

- Chief of Department Thomas Cottone
  - Review equipment request for high water rescue gear. Will set up meeting with BOFC, Chiefs and Lt. Spina to review request.

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- Discussed prospective member vetting and if the applicant should be checked for felony convictions. BOFC to discuss with Counsel.
- First Assistant Chief Brian Beehler
  - No further matters.
- Second Assistant Chief Scott Diehl
  - No further matters.

### Commissioners' / District Manager Comments

- Chairman George von Glahn
  - Discussed application process. Recommends District, Department and Company review process.
  - Discussed leave policies and member requirements.
  - On behalf of the BOFC commended Chiefs and the Department on actions and operation at recent Signal 10 house fire. Citations are in order.
- Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo
  - No further matters.
- Commissioner Michael Bellissimo
  - No further matters.
- Commissioner Robert Podesta
  - Discussed quarterly and monthly percentages and points.
- Commissioner Stephen Feil
  - Requested example of current patches for review.
- District Manager Paul Lochner
  - No further matters.

Chiefs left the meeting at 22:55 hours.

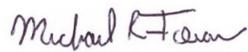
- Motion by Commissioner Robert Podesta, second by Commissioner Stephen Feil and unanimously carried the Board of Fire Commissioners approve the membership of John Reilly.
- Motion by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo, second by Commissioner Stephen Feil to accept the minutes of the September 23, 2024 BOFC meeting as written. Unanimously carried.
  
- Equipment Requests / MERVs
  - Motion by Commissioner Stephen Feil, second by Vice Chairman Silvio Bellissimo to pay the following MERVs submitted by the Chiefs Office. Unanimously carried.
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Being no further business to be conducted at this time, the meeting adjourned at 23:00 hours, October 15, 2024, on a motion by Commissioner Robert Podesta, second by Chairman George von Glahn. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael R. Foran  
Secretary  
Seaford Fire District