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Chiefs

Legislative/Financial/Chiefs Meeting

February 27, 2024

Meeting called to order at 1903 hours with roll call of officers. Chairman Anthony Gallino, Vice Chairman John Buchner, Commissioner Kirkwood Johnson, Commissioner Ray Strong, Commissioner Ken Staufer, District Manager Thomas Duckham and District Secretary Dave Brewer were in attendance. Also in attendance were Chief McCarrick, Asst. Chief Jeremy Freund and Ex-Chief Tom Logan.

Our next meeting will be March 26, 2024.

Acceptance of the Treasurers Report by Comm. Buchner, 2nd by Comm. Staufer

Acceptance of the minutes of January 23rd meeting by Comm. Johnson, 2nd by Comm. Buchner.

CHIEFS REPORT

Chief 30 advised that FF Dan O'Connell is now out on medical leave effective February 21st.

Chief 30 requested two Ex Capt. shields and five FF helmet shields for Co 2 for a total of \$441. Motion to approve by Comm. Strong and 2nd by Comm. Staufer. All in favor.

Chief 30 requested a replacement jack for L14 costing \$239.99. Motion to approve by Comm. Strong, 2nd by Comm. Johnson. All in favor.

Chief 30 advised that 7, 6, 14, 3, 4, 15, and 2 would be in the St. Patrick's Day parade. No objection.

Chief 30 requested that Tanker 20 be accessible for any alarms if needed.

Chief 30 requested PM on all brush trucks. Comm. Strong and DM will speak with our mechanic.

Chief 30 and BOFC talked about physicals. There needs to be better coordination regarding setup and supervision. The issue with N-95 masks was discussed. They are needed for testing. Chief 30 stated the Chiefs staff will handle this for next year.

Chief 30 asked for permission for Special Ops 29 to go to the SCFA on 3/2/24. Motion to approve by Comm. Strong, 2nd by Comm. Staufer. All in favor.

A discussion took place about replacing our 5 year gold sleeve pins with a sew on version. More to follow.

A discussion took place about Honorary Chiefs uniform stripes. The Chief will handle.

At 1915 Chief 30 requested to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion by Comm. Staufer, 2nd by Comm. Buchner. All in favor.

Motion to resume regular meeting by Comm. Johnson, 2nd by Comm. Staufer at 1937 hours. All in favor.

COMMISSIONER STRONG TO CHIEFS

Comm. Strong asked the Chief to have volunteers notify dispatch when putting a rig into regen mode giving the unit number, sign in number and current mileage. Chief 30 will handle.

Asked about TIPS class. Chief 30 will set up a class with DM. DM asked 30 to give him 3 possible dates.

Comm. Strong asked about spare bottle inventory. Chief 30 stated we need six for Co. 2.

COMMISSIONER STAUFER TO CHIEFS

Comm. Staufe advised that Advanced Lighting is no longer in business. He has a demo hand light from Streamlight. He asked 30 to choose a first due unit to evaluate the light. Also, it only comes in orange or yellow. Company colors are not available.

CHAIRMAN GALLINO TO CHIEFS

Discussed Junior Co. breakfast voucher cost. This cannot happen again. There was a communication problem between the Jr. Co. coordinator and the vendor. Chief 30 said 32 will be more involved with Jr. Co. Signal 8 vouchers. District Secretary also asked 30 about the two vouchers that were returned for clarification. He will follow up with Asst. Chiefs.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON

Comm. Johnson reported that the joint radio grant with North Patchogue and Medford is in progress. He is also working with Rob to resolve kitchen exhaust fan issues at Co. 1 and Co. 3

COMMISSIONER BUCHNER

Comm. Buchner said Co. 2 outdoor BBQ and serving area project is a work in progress. He will discuss more with Co. 2 Captain. Awaiting prices. More to follow.

COMMISSIONER STAUFER

Comm. Staufe received a request from Frank W to replace several desk top computers in dispatch . This is part of our normal phase out and replacement of old equipment. He has a quote of \$5376.00. Motion by Comm. Johnson, 2nd by Comm. Strong to approve. All in favor.

Debra Edmondston is undergoing training in dispatch. Riley Diwby has been cleared to work dispatch on his own.

New narcotics safes will be installed Friday March 1st.

The Marine UHF band has been added successfully.

We are awaiting a quote for a replacement backup console in dispatch.

Alpine updated our plotting and addresses on Red Alert.

Co. 1 backroom project – Rob has received two quotes. We need a third to comply with our procurement policy.

Comm. Staufe reported that we plan to relocate the gear washer from 89 West to the bay floor of Co 1. Discussion followed and it was decided to purchase two sets of washers and dryers and put one at Co. 1 and one at Co. 3.

Comm. Stauffer gave a presentation of a 5 - 7 year plan that he and Comm. Strong are working on for vehicle replacement. Looking into leasing, looking at replacing R4, an ambulance, a Chiefs car, a fire police vehicle, an 80 car and possibly an engine. Costs have skyrocketed over the last year and continue to go up. Delivery dates on some apparatus can be three years or more out. They have met with our treasurer for a financial plan. More to follow.

CHAIRMAN GALLINO

Received a contract renewal for L14 aerial platform service for \$1400. Motion by Comm. Strong, 2nd by Comm. Buchner to approve. All in favor.

Gave 30 a list of which conferences the Chiefs can attend.

DISTRICT MANAGER

DM received the 2024 landscaping contract from Suffolk Green in the amount of \$3300. Motion by Comm. Johnson, 2nd by Comm. Buchner to approve. All in favor.

Former member Jerry Magee filed for LOSAP. He was vested when he left. DM will contact Hometown.

Frank W requested dispatcher shirts. DM will get prices.

DM informed us that 31 is seeking to have his chiefs car repaired from mishap in his driveway. Motion by Comm. Johnson, 2nd by Comm. Strong to approve repairs in the amount of \$4379.94. DM to handle.

DISTRICT SECRETARY

Asked Chief 30 about two vouchers that were returned for missing information. He handed them to his Asst. Chiefs for follow-up.

Working on a FOIL request related to paid EMS staff, budget, call volume, and EMS cost recovery.

Working with our treasurer and auditors on the 2023 audit.

Processed the voucher and check for the St. Patrick's Day band. (\$1200).

Working on Inspection dinner program with printer. Awaiting updated list of officers, Ladies and Juniors.

Discussed posting District minutes on website. As per BOFC, distribute them as normal. Department Secretary can post them on website.

Motion by Comm. Johnson, 2nd by Comm. Strong to approve treasurer's warrant. All in favor.

BOFC decided to offer Lynn Ruiz the same hourly rate to return as a per diem office assistant when she is able to return. This will assist in the transition of administrative office staff duties.

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer went over current budget status and discussed funding for future large purchases.

ROOM REQUESTS

Motion by Comm. Stauffer, 2nd by Comm. Buchner to approve room requests as follows:

March 23 – Kiran Malhotra – Co 3

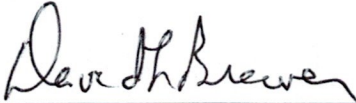
March 30 – Joe Guido – Co 1

April 12 – Benevolent – Co 3

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Comm. Stauffer, 2nd by Comm. Buchner. All in favor.

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