

**THE MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 14, 2022  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Phil Weber, Commissioners Jim Hall, Jim Clark, Paul Latuso, Terry Koch.  
Chief Doug Pyne, 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Tom Smalling, 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Dan Cross, Sr. Firehouse  
Attendant John McKenna, Paramedic Tom McCarthy.

**Meeting Called To Order At 7:00 PM.**

**Minutes From The May 10, 2022 Meeting Approved.**

**Fire Warrant Approved In The Amount Of \$103,683.59.**

**Chief Pyne:**

The following items requested for purchase received board approval:

1. Equipment Replacement Nozzles for two trucks for a total of \$11,496.00.
2. Purchase polo shirts for new members at a cost of \$3,000.00.
3. Fourteen sets of turnout gear at a cost of \$39,757.00.
4. Smoke machine for training purposes at a cost of \$1,599.00.

Firemen's Fair will take place July 11 through July 16.

Northport Fire Department will be on stand-by for Asharoken Fireworks.

Radios have arrived and need to be programmed. John McKenna will take care of this.

The 2-9-4 truck will need to be replaced in the future.

**Chief Smalling:**

Need to replace bail out harnesses.

Uniforms needed for 30 members from the American Awards Company cost is approximately \$12,863.

Board approves both expenditures.

**Chief Cross:**

The new rescue ropes are in service.

**Tom McCarthy:**

The 2-9-5 ambulance is unreliable and should be taken out of service.

New paramedic has been hired.

Copy of Paramedic Roster schedule given to Commissioners.

**Jim Clark:**

Asked everyone what the long term plan for the 2-9-5 ambulance that is now unreliable should be.

**Paul Latuso:**

Possible antenna to be put on a water tower in Centerport area for southern area coverage.

Discussed meeting with Fire Chief at the VA hospital. He proposed putting an antenna and disk on the hospital building for signals from thier location to Ocean Avenue. It is a 24/7 building with generator backup. The generator and electrical capabilities are already in place.

Board approves both possibilities.

**John McKenna:**

Updated everyone regarding meeting with the Superintendent of the Northport-East Northport School District to discuss alarms.

Ryan Kennedy, Ryan Doyle and Aidan Murtagh have been selected to fill the Firehouse Attendant Positions that will be vacant through upcoming retirements of Larry Wine immediately, Tod Thonger in July and Brett Jones in September 2022.

Please see attached the monthly report John read at the meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned At 8:00 PM.**

**Please Note: Next Meeting Scheduled For Tuesday, July 12, 2022 will be At 6:30 PM instead of our regular 7PM time.**

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**John McKenna reporting –**

- 293, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 14 have all had and passed NYS motor vehicle inspections.
- 295 continues to have dashboard indicator lights and limp mode issues. Events have been very sporadic. Ford service had the vehicle for two weeks and was unable to recreate the issue or determine the problem and sent the vehicle back to us unresolved. On the advice of Johnnie Latuso (Huntington FD Mechanic), we took 295 to Automotive Diagnostics – Ford Specialists in Elwood. They had the ambulance for one week and they too could not recreate the issue or determine the problem. They sent the ambulance back to us with instructions (when the event happens again) to return the ambulance to HQ and not move or restart the vehicle until he is able to check the computer messages. We did so and he was able to download several error codes. Now that he has all of the codes, he will be taking the ambulance to trouble shoot each of the error codes. 2915 is the primary response ambulance for all alarms.
- 294 has been taken out of service and has been placed for auction online. As of this morning, the high bid is \$610 (see attached printout).
- Garage door openers have been installed at Station 1. Bay 3 is working. Waiting on external receivers and antennae for Bays 2 & 1.
- Village will be installing two (2) electric vehicle charging stations on the West side of HQ. They'll be tapping off our electric service. The two (2) spots will be in the public lot next to the concrete islands. Parking for firefighters will not be affected.
- iPad mounting brackets for the Chiefs' cars are being fabricated and will be installed when complete.
- Alpine Software has been making repairs to the Red Alert (RedNMX) system.
- Received pricing for new Clarke floor scrubber. Awaiting two more prices. Will order from the lowest bid.
- 17 vehicle/equipment/property work order requests submitted since this past Commissioners' meeting. 15 requests have been completed. 2 requests are pending contractor's work.
- Still awaiting contractors to bid on projects here at fire headquarters.
- Village Administrator, Roland Buzard, has requested assistance from this office with the purchasing of items requested by Medics McCarthy and Themann. This will not be a problem and I'm happy to assist.