

THE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 11, 2023
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT

PRESENT: Commissioners Paul Latuso, Terry Koch and Jim Clark. 1st Asst. Chief Tom Smalling,
Sr. Fire House Attendant John McKenna.

ABSENT: Chairman Phil Weber, Commissioner Jim Hall, Chief Doug Pyne, 2nd Asst. Chief Dan Cross.

Meeting Called To Order At 7:00 PM.

Minutes From The March 14, 2023 Meeting Approved.

Fire Warrant Approved In The Amount Of \$17,029.19.

Chief Smalling:

eDispatches "free trial" period ended and Tom recommends continuing the service.
Cost is \$199.00 to activate and \$192.00 per month for 105 members for 12 months with
the 13th month free-**APPROVED.**

The By-Laws Committee met and proposed two revisions to the by-laws that will be brought to
the membership for approval. If the membership votes for the changes in June then the Commissioners
will bring it to the Village for a resolution for the first June meeting.

Request to keep the 2-9-20 small boat at Station One for the Summer-**APPROVED.**

John McKenna:

New hires have successfully passed the probation period.

John met with Roland Buzard, Village Administrator and Georgina Cavagnaro, Village Clerk to
review the list of vehicles insured by Salerno Brokerage.

Please see attached April monthly report.

Meeting Adjourned At 8:00 PM.

Next Meeting Scheduled For Tuesday, May 9, 2023 At 7 PM.

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John McKenna reporting –

Chiefs have submitted vouchers for their cell phone reimbursements. They're on the docket tonight for approval.

Also on the docket is an invoice from Northport Comprehensive Care for one department physical. Have communications between their office and Chief Smalling improved?

Commissioner Latuso indicated he has received questions suggesting the sign-in kiosk not working at Station 1. We let the Commissioner know that Alpine Software had performed a program update, and that the kiosks no longer open immediately at the start of an alarm. The kiosks now open 10 minutes AFTER the alarm has been initiated and remain open for 10 minutes AFTER the last unit has cleared from the alarm (meaning back in quarters). Members who are accustomed to signing in for the alarms PRIOR to donning gear or boarding apparatus need to adjust to signing in for the alarms AFTER an officer has authorized same via a Signal 5 and/or 25. I stayed at the kiosk during two general alarms to show each member the proper use of the kiosk. Members were tapping the kiosks multiple times not allowing the program to respond. This caused a stacking error ultimately causing the program to abort. Members were asked to wait for the box to appear on the pad before scanning in. There were no errors or problems while I stood with members using the kiosk.

NYS Motor Vehicle inspections have begun for department apparatus. Vehicles are due in May, June and July. As vehicles are due, they are taken to the appropriate Inspection location.

6 work orders have been submitted for vehicle or equipment repair requests. 5 have been completed and 1 awaits parts availability.

Stryker had serviced both ambulance's prams and trolleys but again had to be called back when it was reported 2-9-15's trolley was inoperable. It was reported on a Friday morning and Stryker had it repaired by that same day's afternoon. The tech noted there was a broken part within the trolley. A defective component was replaced, and the problem was solved. Covered under existing service contract.

The update of Station 1's communications and digital display bulletin boards is complete.

The digital display sign outside Station 1 has been repaired and was covered under warranty.

The volunteer fire department's House Committee continues to meet re: 2nd floor renovation. They are still awaiting cost estimates for a couple of the projects. Ex-Chief Berglund, House Committee Chairman, will have a presentation ready for your May Commissioners' meeting.

The industrial washing machine at Headquarters is leaking copious amounts of water from within. A service technician was called to check the machine. The 20 year old washer can be repaired for a cost of approximately \$680.00 or replaced for a cost of approximately \$10,000.00. The technician will be back to make the necessary repairs when the parts come in.

The gas main work continues to progress on Main Street and other village roads. The work has had no effect on the fire department's response to emergency calls.