

**THE MINUTES FOR THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2023
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT**

PRESENT: Chairman Phil Weber, Commissioner Jim Hall, Commissioner Paul Latuso, Commissioner Terry Koch, Chief Doug Pyne, 1st Asst. Chief Tom Smalling, Medic Supervisor Tom McCarthy and Senior Houseman John McKenna.

ABSENT: 2nd Asst. Chief Dan Cross, Commissioner Jim Clark

Meeting Called to Order At 7:05 PM.

Minutes From the Aug 11, 2023 Meeting Approved.

Fire Warrant Approved in the amount of \$64,055.69

Tom McCarthy:

Two paramedics have been nominated for a pre-hospital save award for their actions with two separate cardiac arrest patients earlier this year.

Spending of Rescue Squad Expenses was discussed. It was stated that most items are increasing by 10% to 20%. Expenses are tracked through Operative IQ for expendables. Many expendables have expiration dates, requiring replenishment/replacement frequently.

For the next budget cycle, a new line is being considered to separate Rescue Squad Expenses into 2-lines (Basic Life Support and Advance Life Support).

Chief Pyne:

For the Cow Harbor 10K Race – EMS and Fire Police coverage from all 2nd Division departments will be provided.

Again, we'll be hosting an Oktoberfest celebration. This is a fund-raiser for the volunteer fire department members and is scheduled for September 30, 2023.

New Chiefs car is scheduled to arrive on or about September 13, 2023. The 2015 chief's car was traded in.

1st Asst. Chief Tom Smalling

Thanked the Mayor for asking him to speak at the ceremony for Drug and Alcohol Recovery/Overdose Awareness.

Commissioner Paul Latuso

Spoke on the LOSAP and the results of the 1/1/2023 annual report. He further spoke on market conditions and the projected contributions to maintain adequate funding to the plan.

John McKenna:

Please see the attached monthly report John discussed with the Commissioners and Chiefs tonight.

Commissioner Terry Koch

Indicated the ambulance is expected to come in December 2023 or January 2024. Consideration is being made to replace additional apparatus in upcoming years. The new Pumper Truck (Engine 294) is expected May 2024.

Requested approval to purchase a new 2023 Ford F-350 4X4 Utility Truck (Truck 2911). This will replace the existing 2004 Ford F-250 4x4 (which would be transferred to the Highway Department). Mayor Koch reminded the Commissioner that a Resolution for same would have to be made at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. Commissioner Koch directed John McKenna to follow up with Village Hall.

Commissioner Phil Weber

Spoke to details of the 3-year contract between the Village and the Town of Huntington and the 5-year contract between the Village of Asharoken and the Village of Northport

Meeting Adjourned At 8:03 PM.

Please Note: Next Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 10th, 2023. However, due to concerns with lack of quorum Chairman, Phil Weber has moved the Board of Fire Commissioners meeting to Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00pm.

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John McKenna reporting –

- 14 work orders submitted. All 14 completed. (copy attached)
- 298 will be leaving Friday morning (09/15/2023) for the collision repairs. Kessel Truck Collision estimates the truck will be gone for two weeks.
- 2915 had the liquid spring suspension system replaced. There have been no issues since.
- Construction continues on the second floor renovation. The contractor says the project will be completed well before the scheduled Town of Huntington Chiefs Council meeting and dinner here October 30th.
- The ductless split air conditioner in the control room had been leaking water inside the wall. Housemen will be making repairs to the wall, trim and painting same.
- The roof top air conditioner servicing the second floor restrooms and hallway had a plugged drain line. Condensation water filled and overflowed a collection tray in the unit causing waterflow into the second floor hallway closet. A section of the ceiling was pulled down to see where the water was coming from. Housemen will be replacing the sheetrock and painting same.
- Station 1 has some rotting wood fascia boards on the side of the West gable. Will be contacting Roland Buzard to inspect same and schedule necessary repair.
- The 2 proposed new call-in employees (Martin & D'Amico) have picked up the Village's employee application packet. They've been asked to complete the paperwork and follow up with Roland Buzard so that they can get on a meeting agenda for hiring.
- 2926 has been pulled from the water and the hull has been scraped and painted. Both engines were serviced while the boat was pulled. Ex-Chief Varese reported that the fire pump was not working on the boat. Boat instructor, Ex-Capt. Bill Marsden, indicated that he took the boat out and the pump works fine. Possible operator error. Will continue to monitor the pumps operation.
- Ex-Capt. Marsden will be instructing Matt Cambria and Ryan Doyle on the operation of 2926. Upon completion of the course, both will be qualified operators of the fire boat. Matt and Ryan will perform routine maintenance (cleaning and stocking) of the boat on the same schedule as all other fire apparatus.

Northport Fire Department

Alarms for month of August, 2023

Rescue/EMS.....	98	(75%)
Fire.....	3	(2%)
False Alarm.....	13	(10%)
Officer Investigation.....	17	(13%)

Location of Alarms for month of August, 2023

Village of Asharoken.....	2
Village of Northport.....	81
Fire Protection Dist. #1.....	45
Mutual Aid (to other departments).	3

Total alarms for month of August, 2023 = 131