

Minutes of the Meeting of the Garrison Fire District Held on the 16th of January 2024

- 1. Call to Order.** The meeting of the Commissioners of the Garrison Fire District was called to order by Commissioner Lomonaco, at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Brower, Commissioner Lomonaco, and Commissioner Prentice

A quorum was present.

Others Present: Secretary, Chief, President of Company Board, S. Bohl, R. Tudor, & D. Mackey

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Brower, the Board moved to appoint Denise Mackey as a Commissioner of the Garrison Fire District for 2024. The vote was, Yays: 3 - Commissioner Brower, Commissioner Lomonaco, and Commissioner Prentice, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

2. Secretary's Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Brower, the Board moved to approve the minutes from the December 11th Meeting. The vote was, Yays: 3 - Commissioner Brower, Commissioner Lomonaco, and Commissioner Prentice, Nays: 0, Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Mackey. Motion Carried.

3. Treasurer's Report.

- a. The report for December is pending additional bills for 2023. A finalized copy is expected in March.
- b. Monies were transferred into Reserve Accounts as per 2023 meetings.
- c. \$425,000.00 was transferred to JP Morgan Wealth Assoc. Securities accounts in December as per previous discussions.

On a motion by Commissioner Brower, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board moved to approve all \$ transfers discussed at the meeting. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

4. Chief's Report.

- a. The Chief shared a copy of his call log and a report. They were discussed and are attached to these minutes.
- b. The Board appreciates all the new officers who have stepped up and taken office.
- c. The Chief provided a list of unserviceable, expired, damaged or unrepairable Fire District Property to be identified as decommissioned.
- d. LOSAP report has been posted for member review and was noted at the membership meeting.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board moved to accept the chief's report as spoken. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Brower, which was seconded by Commissioner Lomonaco, the Board moved to decommission the Fire District Property identified as unserviceable, expired, damaged or unrepairable by the Chief. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

5. President's Report

- a. Recruiting will be the focus for this year.
- b. The Company requested that the Members Lounge be cleaned by the building cleaner.
- c. A new members packet and mentor program is being designed.
- d. A database of all past and present members is being compiled.

6. Old Business

- a. The District did not receive the NYS DEC forestry Grant for the 2023 calendar year.

7. New Business.

- a. Potential new member Rommel Segarra was interviewed by the Board
- b. The Secretary was asked to coordinate the planning and execution of the Installation Dinner at The Garrison on March 23rd.
- c. The District will look into applying for NY State Grants.
- d. The next District Meeting will be on Monday February 12th

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board approved the membership of Rommel Segarra pending the results of his physical. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board approved spending no more than \$7,000.00 on the Installation Dinner at The Garrison. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Mackey, the Board approved a Chief & Assistant Chief Vehicle Use Policy. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

8. Executive Session.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board moved to go into Executive Session at 8:15 pm to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. The vote was, Yays:4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Brower, which was seconded by Commissioner Mackey, the Board moved to come out of Executive Session at 8:27 pm. No action was taken in Executive Session. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Mackey, the Board approved allowing an existing member to continue their interior status contrary to TEK's decision based on a letter from the member's Dr., who is the presiding medical authority. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

9. Public Comments. There were no public comments made.

10. Presentation of Vouchers. The Board then reviewed the checks that were to be issued.

On a motion by Commissioner Brower, which was seconded by Commissioner Lomonaco, the Board approved the payment of the vouchers in the amount of \$41,983.76. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

11. Meeting Adjournment. With no further business to conduct, on a motion by Commissioner Brower, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor, Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cristin Erickson, Fire District Secretary