



**Secretary Report: Secretary**

- Affidavit of publication from New Review - \$265k Permissive Referendum for the purchase a replacement ambulance.
- Brookhaven & Riverhead Town Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters list for board & chiefs review and approval prior to submitting to respective townships.
- Posting for District Clerk posting for review and approval

**Wading River Fire Department: President Hammer**

- No Report

**Material Requests: District Manager Michalakopoulos**

No Material Request to be present at this time.

**District Manager Report: District Manager Michalakopoulos**

- Headquarters
  - Heating system – Phase I coming to a close, punch list being working on. Vendor onsite today labeling. As built drawings for electrical and plumbing in process
  - Retaining wall – Project wrapping up, wood section will be redone after discussions with engineer and vendor. Project is expected to be completed this week.
  - Heating system – Phase II has begun, working with engineers and Honeywell for building controls.
  - Submission to board on auto body repair work for units 6-3-20 and 6-3-30 vehicles for review.

**Treasurers Report: Treasurer Cangeleri**

- Bills total \$24,884.53, request by District Manager to add the PSEG-LI invoice in the amount of \$5,403.89 to the total bringing the new total to \$30,288.42. Commissioner Harrigan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, unanimously approved to pay the bills.

**Attorneys Report: Attorney Sapienza**

- Worked with District Manager on permissive referendum for new ambulance purchase.
- Vendor performing energy savings audits, in some fire districts. If savings are shown information will be provided for review.
- No movement on legislation from Senator Tedisco's bill to afford fire and ems more protection, however there is a bill in the state senate to make everyone who living in New

York State citizens which would mean everyone would have protections and would also be able to join volunteer fire & ems organizations. Will continue to monitor status and update the district.

- Requested executive session for Personnel

Chairman Meier – Any update on current bail reform bill? Currently not at this time, NYS Assembly is completely against any reform of that law at this time. Rumors are if the NYS Assembly was to agree to revisit bail reform bill they would want givebacks which include the statute that the fire service is looking to get changed, which would give fire & ems the same protections ad police. Unless more get involved and put pressure on legislative change, however there is a lot of discussion at this time.

**Chief's Report:**

**Assistant Chief Heller**

- Submitted the following memos:
- 20-13 – Training Request, Lieutenant Matt Pipchinski for Engine Company Operations. Paperwork attached.
- 20-14 – All American Awards proposal attached. Chief Staff met with vendor at took care of award for upcoming installation dinner April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- 20-14 – Request for reprograming of Wading River Fire Department radio equipment to update Ridge FD frequencies changes, paperwork attached.

**Informational Items:**

- Firefighter Robert Mudzinski returned to full duty affective February 4<sup>th</sup> 2020 from Personal Leave Memo (19-96)
- Lieutenant Marissa Cox has recertified NYS EMT-B
- Membership Candidate Cassandra Picker has completed district medical and chief staff is requesting a March 1<sup>st</sup> start date.
- Wading River Fire Department is attending the Greenport Washington Day Parade on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Assistant chief Berg will be officer in charge and 6-3-27 will be utilized to trailer & transport Antique to and from parade. Some additional apparatus may be attending the parade as well.
- Wading River Fire Department was request to participate in the Earth Day Clean Up on April 26<sup>th</sup> for traffic control. After careful review the chief staff has determined that due to great liability to the department and district, we will not participate. Event Coordinator was advised to contact local law enforcement agency for assistance.
- Received Ex-Captain Tim Deveny Line of Duty Medical Leave Acknowledgment for from January 2020, paperwork attached.
- Received Ex-Captain Matt Colitti Line of Duty Medical Leave Acknowledgment for from January 2020, paperwork attached.

**Adjournment for Executive Session**                    **18:42**  
**Reconvene from Executive Session**                    **19:19**

Commissioner Moreno made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McQueeney, and unanimously approved new member candidates Cassandra Picker (fire & ems) start date March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

Assistant Chief Heller Request that William Scheibel be removed from the fire district rolls for failure to follow personal medical leave policy 5.0. On 2/22/18 William Scheibel was placed on personal medical leave, in February 2019 member failed to submit letter requesting additional time as required in the district policy.

Commissioner McQueeney requested that the newest chief vehicle be turned over to Assistant Chief Berg to confirm there are no more battery issues and its cleared for full use. Assistant Chief Heller will take care of the notification.

## **Commissioner Reports**

### **Chairman Meier**

- Directed the law office of Sapienza and Frank to send letter the Matthew Colitti regarding his status as per district policies

### **Vice Chairman Harrigan**

- Directed District Manager to contact ADP for a second time clock for station 2. DM advised there will be an additional monthly fee for the second time clock.
  - Vice Chairman Harrigan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McQueeney, opposed by Chairmen Meier. Vote of 3 to 1 motion was approved.
- Thanked District Manager for completing the decals on the Main Entrance double door.
- Directed District Manager to move forward with the replacement of the building PA System. After the board reviewing repair & new installation options from IWT and Island AVNS the recommendation is to go with the installation of a new system rather than trying to repair 20+ year old existing pa system.
  - Vice Chairman Harrigan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McQueeney, to award new PA System installation to Island AVNS LLC, in the amount of \$19,965.98. Motion opposed by Chairmen Meier, vote was approved 3 to 1.
- Request to move forward with the ePCR conversation from SCM/FRS to ESO Solutions platform.
  - Vice Chairman Harrigan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, for additional discussion.
    - Vice Chairman Harrigan reported with regarding annual reoccurring cost of ESO, cuts will need to be done in order to absorb the annual reoccurring costs

for as long as you have the product. EMS Coordinator Danowski will be the Point of Contact for the implantation and training for both the paid and volunteer. Chairman Meier stated that on an alarm last week a conversation occurred between Wading River first responder and Ridge first responder regarding ePCR, Ridge first responder also stated that the ePCR platform they are using which is different than the one in discuss are experiencing issues due to the NYS change to NEMESIS 3.4. Vice Chairman agreed with Chairman Meier however going in the path of least resistance and let the problem work itself out. This is why the EMS Coordinator will be the Point of Contact for implantation, training, problems, etc. Chairman Meier agreed but is unclear how members that have never used another ePCR platform other than they are being told the other it's better. This is the reason that the request was made that the BOFC be included in the emails, appears vendor has address most of the issues but people are still unhappy. Unclear if there is one or more that are using this other platform elsewhere and have the opinion that it is better the current platform.

- Vice Chairman Harrigan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McQueeney, opposed by Chairmen Meier. Vote of 3 to 1 motion was approved to move forward with ESO Solutions.
- Discussion on the allocation of capital improvement projects and the allocation of tax funds for not only the heating system phase II, parking lot renovation, and apparatus replacement all part of the future planning. Vice Chairmen also stressed the importance of earmarking funding in addition to cost cutting measures in currently in place.
- Room reconfigurations discuss,
  - Reallocation of old records room area and converting it to the district treasurer's office.
  - Work with Chief staff on the office relocation back to their original location.
  - Renovation of district board meeting room.
  - Post district clerk position in local paper
- Requested status update on computer networking changes, DM Michalakopoulos stated he will do his best to complete as directed. Chairman Meier requested that the membership be notified by chief staff on the email changes coming in order to allow them to make changes in needed.

#### **Commissioner McQueeney**

- Requested the fire district get a Visa credit card for use by the District Manager in addition to the American Express Corporate Account. American Express is not accepted in all places which limits the fire district from purchasing power.
  - Commissioner McQueeney made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, unanimously approved to have the District Treasurer apply and obtain a Visa card for the fire district.

- Directed District Manager to gather/inventory all unused radio equipment in one location.
- Directed District Manager to begin the process to have the maintenance staff move the records room from the commissioner garage to the old officer's room at station 2. Due to the climate conduction there is a need to move before the records get destroyed. Upon careful review no other viable location was found.
- Directed District Manager to contact Bladykas Engineering and inform them that the decal labeling performed by Soundview Heating is not acceptable and needs to be corrected.
- Directed District Manager to continue with vehicle oil changes and NYS inspections

**Commissioner Moreno**

- Requested update on rear apparatus room entrance door glass repair. DM Michalakopoulos reported that vendor has been contacted, waiting for pricing.

**Commissioner McManus**

- No Present.

Vice Chairman Harrigan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Moreno and unanimously approved to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 19:47 hours

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Michalakopoulos  
Acting District Secretary  
Wading River Fire District