

**WADING RIVER FIRE DISTRICT
1503 North Country Road
Wading River, NY 11792**

Minutes of June 21, 2022, Meeting

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Deveny at 1830 hours with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our First Responders, EMS, Police, Fire and Military who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

Commissioner Deveny, Commissioner Moreno, Commissioner Wallace, District Manager Michalakopoulos, Treasurer Cangelieri, Secretary Manitta and Chief Gluck were present. Chairman McQueeney, 2nd Assistant Chief Donnelly, 3rd Assistant Chief Whelan, Attorney Ring and President Hammer were absent with prior notice.

Commissioner Deveny made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wallace, unanimously approved to accept the minutes of the May 9, 2022, meeting.

Public Comments:

- No comments

Correspondence:

Secretary Manitta

- 06/07/2022 Town of Brookhaven letter regarding notification of issue permits for installation of solar arrays for both commercial and family dwellings within Wading River Fire District

Secretary Report:

Secretary Manitta

- Nothing to report

Wading River Fire Department:

President Hammer

- Not present

Material Requests:

District Manager Michalakopoulos

- None

District Manager Report:

District Manager Michalakopoulos

- Requested BOFC approve replacement of STA2 lawn mower at a cost of \$4,775.
 - Commissioner Deveny made a motion to purchase a new lawn mower not to exceed \$5,500, seconded by Commissioner Wallace, unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Cangeleri

- Bills total \$138,549.35
 - Commissioner Wallace made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Deveny, unanimously approved to pay the bills.
- Audit complete. Discussed recommendations. Auditors suggest that we create and fund from 2021 Surplus a Reserve Employee Benefit Fund for paid time off.
 - After discussion, Commissioner Deveny made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wallace, unanimously approved creation of an Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund and transfer \$115,000 from the Surplus Fund to this new reserve fund.

Attorneys Report:

Attorney Ring

- Not present

Chief's Report:

Chief Gluck

- Nothing to report

Executive Session was requested by District Manager and Chief Gluck to discuss personnel matters and pending litigation.

- Commissioner Wallace made a motion for executive session, seconded by Commissioner Deveny, unanimously approved.

Adjournment for Executive Session: **1839**

Reconvene from Executive Session: **1841**

Commissioner Reports:

Vice Chairman McQueeney

- Not Present

Commissioner Moreno

- No report

Commissioner Deveny

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Commissioner Wallace

- Commissioner Wallace made a motion to approve Brian Murphy as Hearing Officer for a GML 209-I, seconded by Commissioner Deveny, unanimously approved.
- Commissioner Wallace made a motion to continue interim suspension of M. Ortega, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, unanimously approved.
- Commissioner Wallace made a motion to designate Attorney Ring to setup and conduct the GML 209-I, seconded by Commissioner Deveny, unanimously approved.

Commissioner Deveny made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wallace, unanimously approved to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at **1845** hours

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen F. Manitta
District Secretary
Wading River Fire District