

**BREWSTER-SOUTHEAST JOINT FIRE DISTRICT  
MEETING 12-26-23**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Commissioner John Klosowski  
Commissioner A. Gerald Schramek  
Commissioner Kenneth Clair Jr.  
Commissioner Martin Miller  
Commissioner George Durmer  
1<sup>st</sup> Asst Chief Michael Miller  
2<sup>nd</sup> Asst Chief Steven Miller  
District Treasurer Margaret Miller  
District Secretary Maurice DeSantis  
BEMS Treasurer Donald Goodwin

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting Called to Order at 19:00hrs. by Commissioner Klosowski

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**PUBLIC REMARKS AND COMMENTS:** None

**CORRESPONDANCE:**

- A permit from The Village of Brewster for the shoring work done in the basement

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**COMMUNICATIONS, COMPUTERS AND RADIOS:** Commissioner Miller states we never replaced the Surface Pro tablet from 11-7-2 and one was recently broken. Commissioner Miller new protective case for Surface Pro's from Amazon. Also received confirmation on orders for the workstation orders for the quartermaster, EMS, treasurer and the mechanic.

2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Miller states they needed to make some adjustments to the new radios with Goosetown Communications. They were able to make the adjustments to the radios the same day they were brought up to them. Also now need to meet with SDI on the radios and programming, anticipated to go live by the end of January. The January Department drill will be on the new radios. 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Miller also requested a computer dedicated for updates to the new radios. Commissioner Miller advises he has one to handle the program updates.

**FACILITIES:** Commissioner Klosowski states DSL Construction finished up the shoring in the basement.

The electrician will take a look at the switches and other hanging wires in the basement. The heating thermostat was moved from the Chiefs office and into the Commissioners office. Need a spare light head for the parking lot.

Eagle Air the manufacturer of SCBA bottle fill went out of business. We should order spare parts while still available. Also there is the option of trading current unit in for a discount on new SCBA bottle fill station.

Old gear will be picked up this Saturday.

Commissioner Klosowski to meet with Bill's Refrigeration, Dennis Palmer and DSL Construction on shower and will work with William Frank Engineering on the shower.

Next year 4 of the A/C units need to be replaced, Bill's refrigeration to provide a quote.

**FIRE AND EMS EQUIPMENT:** Commissioner Klosowski states the old gear is being picked this Saturday.

**FIRE ROADS:** No report

**FIRE PREVENTION:** No report

**LEGAL:** No report

**APPARATUS:** Commissioner Klosowski to call Eric from Gowans & Knight

**LOSAP:** Commissioner Miller states he needs the reports from the department as soon as possible in the new year.

**OSHA MANDATES:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Miller states he believes the EMS personnel in addition to the FIT test that was performed. Commissioner Miller to investigate, the cost would be reflected on the BEMS budget.

**VEHICLE MAINTENANCE:**

11-2-2 Needs inspection and maintenance

11-3-1 Needs inspection and maintenance

**RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION:** No report

**TRAVEL AND TRAINING:** Commissioner Miller states there is a Pinsky Law Group seminar at Turning Stone, AFDSNY is also having a mini summit in White Plains on 4/25.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Miller inquired about bills being paid. Also mentioned that the members will work on clearing out the bays to move apparatus back in.

**ADP:** Commissioner Miller reports all good.

**EMS PAID:** Commissioner Miller reports that he attended the 12/20 HVREMSCO meeting and our CON was approved, waiting on certificate and then we can work on ALS upgrade. Possibly in May. All Medicare and Medicaid paperwork is in, we should have it in any day. We will be able to backdate the existing PCR's. All PCRs have been QAQ'ed and are good. Empress asked about the status of the ALS agreement, Commissioner had a discussion with Stuck on the agreement. Liguori spoke with Stuck. Need to have a meeting with County, Empress, The District and Counsel.

**FUTURE CAPITOL:** Commissioner Schramek states we need to wait till we have money in the account to move forward on survey and planning

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Commissioner Klosowski thanked Meg Miller for 13 years of service as the District Treasurer. Also wishes good luck to incoming District Treasurer Don Goodwin.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Commissioner Klosowski swore in the incoming Chief of Department Michael Miller and 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Steven Miller.

Commissioner Miller reports new V-Fire grant is open for up to \$25M for fire dept facilities, new firehouse design, showers. Also available is up to \$5M for SCBA, PPE, SCBA fill stations. The deadline for application is April 2024.

A motion was made to move \$381,200.00 from the 2022 Unallocated Fund Account to the following accounts:

Line 455 Ambulances \$205,000.00

Line 445 Building \$31,200.00

Line 435 Administrative \$44,000.00

Line 420 Communications \$101,000.00

The motion was made by Commissioner Klosowski – Seconded by Commissioner Durmer

Motion passed 5-0

Next meeting organizational meeting 1/3 at 18:00hrs.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A Motion was made by Commissioner Klosowski – Seconded by Commissioner Schramek to adjourn the meeting

Motion Passed 5-0

Meeting Adjourned at 18:47hrs.

Respectfully submitted:

District Secretary DeSantis