

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Fire Commissioners
Lido and Point Lookout Fire District
Held on March 18, 2025

*****Minutes Approved*****

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Comm. Pogue- Steiner

Present: Comm. Pogue- Steiner, Comm. Richter via TEAMS, Comm. Thompson, Comm. Guerin, Treasurer Dunham, A. Richter Asst. Secretary and Treasurer, District Clerk H. Thompson, Chief Guerin, Chief Meyer and Chief Neubert via TEAMS.

Not Present: Comm. Naham, Secretary T. Ryan and Chief Manning

Speakers without appointments: None

Speakers with appointments: Ed Haran- LOSAP

Minutes of meeting held on March 4, 2025, were approved by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Pogue- Steiner. With the following Change: Under Chief Neubert line 1 EMTs can work 36 hours per pay period not per week. Approved 3-0.

Minutes of Executive Session on March 4, 2025, were approved by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.

Speakers without appointments: None (Time allotted three (3) minutes)
None

Speakers with appointments:

Ed Haran-LOSAP:

1. All good, as of last month, members received an increase to monthly payments about \$20 per month.

District Employee Reports:

District Treasurer's Report:

1. Abstract#9 dated March 6, 2025, for 13 checks totaling \$207,008.08. Motion by Comm. Pogue- Steiner seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
2. The Board members have received all claim vouchers listed on the Warrant of Claims together with their supporting documentation and approve them for payment. Warrant of Claims has been notarized and will be attached to the minutes. A signed and notarized Warrant of Claims is also on file in the District Office.

3. Bank Balances as of tonight's meeting:
 - a. General: \$1,311,735.20
 - b. Reserve: \$2,042,951.82
 - c. Payroll: \$51,212.41
4. As of tonight's meeting, the bank balance for M & T bank for EMS recovery is \$71,070.42.

District Secretary:

1. Ben DiVenti will not be at the meeting tonight but said he will email the report by 4:30 PM today. As of the meeting, the Board didn't receive report. Will follow up tomorrow.
2. Teddy Campo was here, all the work completed.
3. At the last meeting the Sunshine Fund was brought up, it was decided to increase the donation amount from \$25 to \$100. The fund now has \$55 available and asked everyone to give \$20.
4. Walden will be here on Friday to do the quarterly inspection of diesel fuel system. Gary LeCluse, Comm. Guerin and Steve Angel have all been notified and will also attend the inspection.
5. I spoke with Joe Franks and asked him to send his quarterly invoice.

Asst. Secretary and Treasurer's Report:

1. Payroll dated March 12 covered February 16-March 1 totaled \$29,518.26. It was a little higher than normal since we owed 4 EMT Techs for holiday pay and night differential from the last payroll.
2. Meeting on March 5 with Paychex and Holly was very productive; we have another meeting scheduled for tomorrow.
3. Still working on date to meet with Baldwin Fire District to discuss payroll and benefits they offer.
4. Payroll information for Civil Service for January 2022, 2023 and 2024 was sent to Civil Service on Wednesday, March 5 as of today no email or calls regarding information that was sent. Will prepare the January 2025 information for Comm. Pogue- Steiner approval.
5. Will be attending the AFDIC meeting on Thursday, March 27-Saturday, March 31 will be taking personal car and ez-pass. According to NYS website food reimbursement is \$68 per day and mileage reimbursement is .70 cents/mileage, just want Board to be aware.
6. As of tonight, no meeting set up with Chiefs regarding SAFER grant. Per Chief Meyer he will send some dates.

District Clerk's Report:

1. EMS billing is going good.
2. Plate for jet-ski trailer was received.
3. Water Rescue radios have been received, will give to Chiefs to make sure they are programmed correctly and all items received. Once Chief confirms will send serial

numbers to Dan W to upload to Red Alert. Per Comm. Richter ok to pay once Chiefs review.

4. HAAS was installed in both Ambulances, it will notify drivers using Apple Car Play, Google Maps, Waze that an emergency vehicle is in the area. The system will send a message once the lights and sirens are turned on, nothing for driver to do. Per Comm. Richter we should test and post something on social media to notify the public.
5. Received a check from Stryker in the amount of \$22,000 for an over payment made in 2023. Check was given to Treasure to cash. We still have a \$1400 credit from a trade in, will request a check also.
6. Boxes from Iron Mt can go back to storage.
7. Flow test was done and completed.
8. Sent information to Civil Service to add Comm. Guerin and AM Richter, still waiting.
9. Need to confirm one thing with Cole regarding size, once done will order furniture.
10. 2502 is back in service.

Chief Report:

Chief Guerin:

1. Received a quote IWT for 10 pagers, the cost pagers will be \$4,188 the cost for programming will be \$10 per unit and to engrave will be \$25 per unit but if we purchase before March 31, we will get a rebate of \$25 per unit making the total price \$4,288.00. Per Comm. Richter the pagers are in the budget for 2025. Motion by Comm. Pouge-Steiner seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved. 3-0.
2. Hose testing company sent quote for this year's testing, it will cost \$9,056.00. its an increase of \$500 from last year. Comm. Thompson asked will it be done Columbus Day Weekend? Think so but will confirm with vendor and let Board know. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
3. Received quote from Barnwell Tires for tires for jet ski trailer, it will allow us to use on sand, the cost for tires will be \$379.00 Motion by Comm. Pouge-Steiner seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
4. The jet ski will need the boweye to be replaced, the cost will be \$72.65. Motion by Comm. Pouge-Steiner seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
5. For the new jet ski trailer would like to purchase rollers, this will help to load and unload ski from trailer the cost is \$266.00. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
6. For the new jet ski trailer would like to purchase vertical poles this will help with driving it will allow the driver to see the trailer better, the cost is \$63.00. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
7. Comm. Pouge-Steiner asked about the lithium battery exhauster, from the people he talked to the best thing is to remove from structure and let it burn out.
8. We have about 12 members gear that needs to be cleaned. Approved

9. The third set of gear is recommended by Chief Office to go to Jerry Fitzsimmons, member has lost a lot of weight and current gear doesn't fit properly. His current gear can be reused by another member since it has not expired yet.
10. We have 6 sets of gear that needs to be repaired, don't have cost since it depends based on work that is needed. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Chief will forward final cost. Approved. 3-0.
11. Would like to make the PPE and SCBA that are expired surplus. Approved.
12. We received the plans and specifications for the Training Center back from vendor, we are very happy with and would like to move forward. Would like to setup an in person meeting with rep from vendor, asked when Comm. Richter would be available per Comm. Richter, make the appointment and he will join via TEAMS/Zoom. Comm. Richter asked Chiefs to have 2 locations that would like site to be at.
13. Asked the Board if they have a word document version of the current By-Laws. AM Richter will look currently she has the PDF with revisions as of 2012. Per Comm. Richter any changes to By-Laws should be included in the following years organization meetings. AM Richter will thru all organizations meeting minutes from 2013. Going forward AM Richter will maintain the By-Laws.
14. Lido Captain asked the Chiefs and Board do a walk thru of Lido Firehouse they are requesting an update to Kitchen and company bathroom. Comm. Thompson will work with Chief Meyers.
15. At the last meeting we talked about the new Federal Government requirement NERIS, after meeting Chief discusses and thinks adding tablet or computers back into vehicles will help with the requirement. Per Comm. Richter getting the equipment is not an issue but the Chiefs need to have an outline on what the new procedure will be.
16. Rich Beckwith for the Junior requirement would like to see if the Board would allow Lido Company to host mini-open houses on Sundays during the summer. Board would like an outline of program before approving.
17. Per Chief Meyers had a meeting with new management at Lido Towers, it was a great meeting, and they will be allowing us to drill at location.

Chief Neubert:

1. The following 2 EMTs have been approved by the hiring board: Timothy Heuser and Michael Silberfeld. Motion by Comm. Pogue- Steiner second by Comm. Guerin to hire the 2 EMT Paramedic at a rate of \$35/hour. Approved 3-0.
2. I interviewed 3 more candidates, 2 EMT-P and 1 EMT, notified the EMT that at this time we are hiring only Paramedics. The Chiefs need to approve Joseph Volavka and Christopher D'Alessio if Chiefs approve then the next step will be Civil Service. Chiefs approve candidates.
3. Sent quote to Board for storage bins and shelves to use for EMS inventory the told cost will be \$2000. This will help to organize all supplies in Lido Attic. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.

4. Last week we had a presentation from Zoll regarding lifepacks. The quote for 2 units with a 5-year warranty and training will cost \$119,000. If we sign the contract by April 1 will need to put down 20% and can pay the balance over 5 years. After April 1 the cost will go up by 15%. The Stryker quote was \$162,713 for 2 units. Comm. Richter asked if there is another vendor we can get a quote from since the dollar amount requires 3 quotes. Per Chief Neubert there are only 2 vendors that make the units. Comm. Richter asked what are the Districts going with? Not sure per Chief Neubert. Chief Neubert stated the local hospital all use Zoll and we can swap out leads at hospital and it will make it easier when transferring patients. Comm. Richter suggests we have Attorney review before we sign any contract, Comm. Pogue-Steiner will call. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Pogue-Steiner to purchase Zoll lifepacks based on Attorney Joe Franks review. Approved. 3-0. If Comm. Richter was at the meeting he would have voted yes to purchase.
5. Schedule is looking good; Slate is working great.
6. Beth W is covering for Chief Neubert and Cole while on vacation.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Comm. Richter:

1. Still nothing on water rescue grant from NY State.
2. 253 is still out of service and maybe out for another week.
3. 254 parts are on order and a new vendor for repairs was recommended by Mike Meyers. Will let everyone know when work will be done.
4. Based on an email sent by Greg today, thinks we need to talk to Attorney regarding application, we may need to remove the question asking if you were ever convicted of a crime. Comm. Pogue-Steiner will call.

Comm. Thompson:

1. Sexual Harassment class is due in next 2 weeks. Company 2 still has a lot of members who need to take class. Per Chief Guerin they did it at the last company meeting. Per Comm. Thompson until the certificate is turned in to Holly Thompson the members will be showed as not completed., Chief will follow up with officers.
2. For installation dinner this year invites have been ordered, and address labels are made, emailed list to Chiefs office. Chiefs will have their invites this week. Comm. Pogue-Steiner thinks we need to discuss regarding Department paying the tip for the dinner.
3. Received list of cleaning supplies for inspection for each company, will review and try to consolidate.
4. The election committee is moving forward with this year's election.
5. The emergency repair at Rescue house is almost done.
6. 2572 was sold, received photos from vendor they removed all striping from van.
7. Rescue Company never received the beneficiary forms in January. Comm. Guerin will print out another copy.

8. When District staff in the office will be out would like them to send a message to Commissioner group email.

Comm. Guerin:

1. Asked if we have a list of what is standard for a physical and pricing? Per AM Richer yes, will forward.
2. Can we add Water Rescue to the Budget? Yes, that was done. AM Richter will show Comm. Guerin.

Comm. Naham: Not Present

Comm. Pogue- Steiner:

1. Closed out the 2019 hose grant, this was needed to be done to complete the grant for the high-water vehicle we are currently working on.
2. After the last meeting Chief Neubert mention that Imagetrend has a module that may work for the new requirement for NERIS. Would like him to give Board and Chiefs a demo.

Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 1 at 7:00 PM

Meeting adjourned on motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Pogue-Steiner to close the meeting at 8:42 PM. Approved 3-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by A. Richter, Asst. District Secretary/Treasurer

