

FIRE ISLAND PINES FIRE DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER MEETING JULY 9, 2024

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN BOSS AT 6:10 P.M.

Present:

Walter Boss, Chair  
Holly Rhodes-Teague, Vice Chair  
Joseph Geiman  
Eugene Cook  
Rosemary Coluccio  
Richard Barry, Secretary  
Kyle Merker, Department Chief

Members of the Public:

Mark Ski

Bo Fridsberg

SECRETARY REPORT - Richard Barry

Discussed our Elections that were currently taking place.

MOTION MADE by Commissioner Coluccio and Seconded by Commissioner Geiman to accept the Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2024 with two corrections. All Commissioners voted in favor to accept the minutes with corrections.

Discussed the OneDrive. Commissioner Coluccio says she cannot change password the usual way and will have free time to work on this process in the next two weeks.

Discussed the Auditor's Report and the Answer to it that was prepared at the end of June by Commissioner Coluccio and Cook. The Board's Answer to the report was circulated among all the Commissioners during the meeting.

MOTION MADE to accept the Auditor's Report and the District's response to it by Commissioner Boss and seconded by Commissioner Cook. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

## TREASURER REPORT

There is no Treasurer Report at this meeting since Robert Marzella was not present. Commissioner Coluccio informed the Board that since we have not had reports in the last four months, that we are not allowed to approve expenses. Therefore the Secretary will make a list of requested items at this meeting, and we will make motions for expenditures at the August 3rd, 2024 meeting after Treasurer Reports have been approved.

Commissioner Cook advised the Board that there is an issue with QuickBooks and adjustments that have been made by our Accountant. There is a telephone conference scheduled for Thursday, July 11th, to address the issue of booking a deposit and certain expenses. Treasurer reports should be completed by the week of 7/15/24.

### APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT, RADIOS - COMMISSIONER GEIMAN

No changes from last month on the truck. We will need to have a check for the truck builder at some point during the month of September. West End Siren is not working. Will contact Rich Moffit for a service call.

MOTION MADE to renew our CD at TD Bank in the amount of \$605,995.14 for sixty days by Commissioner Cook and Seconded by Commissioner Rhodes-Teague. All Commissioners voted in favor.

### BUDGET, AUDIT, PUBLIC RELATIONS - COMMISSIONER COLUCCIO

Nothing to report on public relations, budget and audit previously discussed during the meeting.

### INSURANCE, LOSAP, RECORDS - COMMISSIONER COOK

LOSAP is all up to date. Currently filling out an insurance renewal questionnaire.

### GROUNDS - COMMISSIONER BOSS

Lock is in for the main house.

The emergency repair to the stairs was done immediately after the last meeting by Don Kohlhepp.

Commissioner Geiman brought up the fact that there is now black mold in the commissioner's office due to the A/C unit. He believes that it needs to be repaired on an emergency basis. Chairman Boss will look into the matter.

The Chamber of Commerce gave two trees to the firehouse in memory of former Commissioner Doug Teague and community member/vendor to the department, Mike Jaggi. Auxiliary member Elizabeth Teague-Touchette helped with the placement of the plantings.

RECORDS, RECONCILIATIONS - COMMISSIONER RHODES-TEAGUE

Pink slips were reviewed for 6/21 - 7/7/24 by Commissioner Rhodes-Teague.  
Reconciliations will be done at the August 3rd, 2024 meeting.

CHIEF'S REPORT - KYLE MERKER

ACTIVITY

ALARMS:

#3984 - 6/26/24 - 133 Harbor Walk - Smoke detector - Food on the Stove  
#3985 - 7/7/24 - 230 Bay Walk - Food on the Stove

MEETINGS:

#1320 - 6/29/24 - Department Meeting

DRILLS:

#1350 - 6/29/24 - Smoke House Search and Rescue

WORK DETAIL:

#1171 - 6/28/24 - Tree blocking Bay Walk at Holly Walk - removal  
#1172 - 7/4/24 - Standby for the Invasion

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Resignation of Neil Clendeninn from Auxiliary  
Alexander Marks has passed FF1

REQUEST/COMMENTS:

Request for platform for Asst Chief Cohen's Vehicle is withdrawn  
Request 10 flashlights for Auxiliary - \$200 will be added to list of requested items  
Mask for Rob Sperte has been received  
Three sets of Irons are on order  
Water Island installation of water bags will be taking place  
Request set of 4 Storz Spanner wrenches - \$200 will be added to list of requested items  
Discussed the upcoming drill with Cherry Grove this weekend to take place in Water Island

OLD BUSINESS -

Discussed the webpage for District and Department. Tim Leigh-Manuel will now handle password management. We will be removing fax numbers and individual email addresses from the website and making a contact box.

Commissioner Boss went to see Town Councilman Neil Foley regarding the shed being built on Fire Island Blvd near the harbor. He explained how if the truck is in front of the shed, no one can pass in any direction. Hopefully the matter will be addressed.

Also discussed with FIPPOA the carts that are being left on Fire Island Blvd. The Town will start to issue tickets for people leaving the carts on the Boulevard.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:22 P.M. with the exception of the Secretary to handle the paperwork for the election and notifying candidates of election results.

At the close of the elections at 9 p.m. the votes were counted by the Election Committee, consisting of Chairman, Kris Grae; Karen M. Grae-Graboski and Joel Rosenbluth. The results are as follows:

Winner for the 5-Year Term Commissioner position was Holly Rhodes-Teague. The Winner for the 3-Year Term Commissioner position was Robert McGarity.

Chairman Boss contacted Robert McGarity by phone to tell him the news and saw Holly Rhodes-Teague in person to give her the news.

The District Secretary contacted Bo Fridsberg and Liliana Narbone to inform them of the results.

All signed paperwork will be submitted to the Town Clerk's office via US Mail on Wednesday, July 10th, 2024.

LIST OF ITEMS THAT WILL NEED MOTION FOR AUGUST 3rd MEETING:

Additional monies for Door Lock in the amount of \$275.00  
10 Flashlights for Auxiliary in the amount of \$200.00  
4 Storz Spanner Wrenches in the amount of \$200.00