

**Regular Meeting Board of Fire Commissioners Montrose Fire District
Thursday, Apr 17, 2025**

Meeting called to order by Chair. Cole at 7:00 PM.

Commissions present were Chair. Cole and Comm. Kelly, Lockwood, Jackson and Kolesar. Others present were AOM Gilbert, Atty. McCarthy, Treas. Green and Chiefs Gilleo and Obrien. Sec. Snyder called into the meeting.

Pledge to the Flag was led by Jody Carrol.

MM Comm. Kelly MS Comm. Kolesar to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as circulated by the Secretary. MC.

Hearing Of the Public – Nothing to report.

Communications that were received for the month were read and a list of these communications will be placed on file.

Bills For The Month – MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Lockwood to pay the bills listed on Abstract 03-25 Claim #s 050 thru 081 as submitted by Treas. Green. MC.

Treasurer's Report – Treas. Green submitted the Treasurer's Report and a copy is placed on file. Attached to the Treasurer's Report were Bank Balances and Bank Interest by fund, Balance Sheet, and Profit & Loss Sheet. MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Jackson to approve Treas. Report DTR 03-25. MC. Treas. Green reported that he is working on the new credit cards and they should be in soon. Treas. Green also reported that our internal audit field work has been completed, there are a few outstanding items and we are working to get these sent this upcoming week.

Chiefs Report – Chief Gilleo submitted the Chiefs Report and a copy is placed on file. Chief Gilleo went over his report in its entirety. AC Obrien were excused from the meeting to cover a fire alarm that occurred at the start of the meeting. AC Gilleo reported that he has a list of all members with a fuel code and they are going thru the process now of updating the list with the school district. He also reported that hose and ground ladder testing will be completed Friday April 18th. Discussion on LT-8 needing so much hydraulic fluid and not flying correctly after coming back from service could have possibly been air bound.

Committees :

Apparatus / Equipment Repairs & Usage – Comm. Jackson brought up the issues with LT-8 and the timing of services provided, Comm. Jackson and Chair Cole will sit down with HVFE and discuss these issues, they will also contact Hendriksen to get pricing on apparatus servicing. Chair Cole reported that the aluminum tailgate has been repaired off MA-25 and that E-123 had a gauge repaired. Comm. Jackson asked AC Gilleo why E-

123 is being used for EMS calls and not the utility, AC Gilleo explained some reasoning behind it after further discussion Comm. Jackson wanted to relay to the chiefs he does not agree with the move, no further action was taken.

Equipment Purchase –Nothing to report.

Communications – Comm. Jackson reported that all of the UHF radios are now matching, the trunking radio has been ordered for U-68 there is no timeline on when it is supposed to be in. Finally, Comm. Jackson reported that the new date for the antenna install is May 24th for the Ops 1 Freq.

Cell Phone Communications – Nothing to report.

Office Operations – AOM Gilbert brought up about ordering new blinds for the district offices, after discussion MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm. Lockwood to purchase the blinds for the Chiefs/Commissioner offices and hold off on the Radio Room MC.

Legal – Atty. McCarthy reported that we are still awaiting an update on the lease from CEC. Atty. McCarthy requested an executive session to discuss.

Insurance – Nothing to report.

Health And Safety – Nothing to report.

SOGS / Policies – Nothing to report.

Web Site – Nothing to report.

Physical Exams – AC Gilleo informed the board that he contacted Dr. Raj about doing drug testing for new members.

Hydrant – Nothing to report.

Building – Nothing to report.

Policy Review – Chair Cole reported the committee will start next month.

Unfinished Business – MM. Comm. Jackson, MS. Comm Kolesar to remove FF's K.McKenna jr, R. Cappicotti, D. Strothers and S. Stewart MC. MM Comm. Kolesar, MS Comm. Jackson to add 3 FF's to the Active List G. Lizotte, F. Media and A. Grant MC. MM Comm. Kelly, MS Comm. Kolesar to allow hometown to pay the NYL bill using dividends as suggested by Hometown MC. Chair Cole reported that the telescoping lights for U-68 have been received and will get installed when the push bumper comes in. Chair Cole also reported that he talked to Zulla electric about back up lights for the bays, he spoke about the possibility of using a hanging light system instead of mounting on the outside of

the building, discussion followed, after discussion the Chair will go back to Zulla and get us a price on the hanging lights.

New Business – MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Kelly to purchase the 10 radio holders as requested in the Chiefs report from The Fire Store MC.

MM Comm. Kelly, MS. Comm. Lockwood to go into executive session at 7:39pm. Discussion held on Attny. McCarthy's legal opinion to the board regarding Cortlandt Engine and the leases. MM Comm Kolesar, MS Comm. Kelly to come out of executive session at 8:18pm.

MM Comm. Kelly MS Comm. Lockwood to adjourn the meeting. MC and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Gilbert
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