

**Regular Meeting Board of Fire Commissioners Montrose Fire District
Tuesday, December 18, 2025**

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

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

Pledge to the Flag was led by Ex-Chief Hojnacki.

MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Lockwood 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. Jackson MS Comm. Lockwood to pay the bills listed on Abstract 11-25 Claim #s 253 thru 280 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. Jackson MS Comm. Lockwood to approve Treas. Report DTR 11-25. MC. Treas. Green reported that the property tax cap has been filed with New York State and that he will be filing the AUD in January. Treas. Green asked a question about elements landscaping quote after it was read under communications about march snow removal, after discussion Treas. Green advised the board that they should get more quotes next year. Comm. Lockwood asked a question about the Verizon bill after discussion there is one number that needs to be looked at and the rest of the bill had to do with the apparatus Ipads.

Chiefs Report – Chief Hanney submitted the Chiefs Report, and a copy is placed on file. Chief Hanney went over his report in its entirety. Chief Hanney brought up about purchasing air bottles, after discussion the board asked the Chief to see how many were really needed and that the board would look into grants to assist in paying for them. Chief Hanney requested a place to put the CPR manikins as they get moved around and used, Chief Hanney proposed the records room, after discussion Chair Cole advised the Chief that there is no room in the records room for them and to talk to any individual who is using them to not use them.

Committees :

Apparatus / Equipment Repairs & Usage – Chair. Cole reported that the lights are done on E-122, we are awaiting a price on the bed cover for U-68 and the repairs for E123. Chair Cole asked about the portable pump, Chief Hanney advised its still in the shop for repair.

Equipment Purchase –Nothing to report.

Communications – Nothing to report.

Cell Phone Communications – Nothing to report.

Office Operations – Nothing to report.

Legal – Nothing to report.

Insurance – Nothing to report.

Health And Safety – FF Carroll reported that the US Senate passed a act about passing from cancer due to the fire service could be an LODD, will report back more if he hears.

SOGS / Policies – AC Obrien reported they are looking into adjusting the bailout SOG.

Web Site – Report given by AOM Gilbert that the new website is up and running, 80% of the members are on the site with their emails. AOM Gilbert gave praise to the entire committee for all of their work and continued work going forward. Letter was sent to 911 webs to close out the old site.

Physical Exams – AOM Gilbert gave a copy as requested by the Chair at the last meeting of all FF's who have not got their physical done, after discussion Chair Cole asked the Chief to have FF's who have not gotten their physicals done to have them done by the meeting in January.

Hydrant – Comm. Lockwood reported an issue with a hydrant on Summit will send a letter.

Building – Comm. Jackson reported that CEC plans to re-do the bathrooms and CEC requested to put a porta john in the engine room, after discussion please have them put it outside and not inside.

Policy Review – Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business – MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm Lockwood to approve up to 15 pairs of boots at a cost of 614.00 per boot MC. MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm Lockwood to remove FF Russell from the active list at the request of CEC MC. MM Comm. Jackson,

MS Comm Lockwood to remove FF Lizotte from the active list at the request of CEC MC. MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm Lockwood to remove FF Merz from the active list at the request of CEC MC. MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm Lockwood to remove FF Elston at the request of CEC MC.

New Business: AC Obrien reported that the town will be brining back the Fire Advisory Board. MM Comm. Lockwood, MS Comm Jackson to pay a voucher given to the board by FF Gallagher to reimburse for milage 130.20 MC. Comm Lockwood commented on the attendance of most of the line officers at the commissioner meetings, keep up the good work. Comm Jackson brought up about purchasing 12 winter hats after discussion MM Comm. Lockwood, MS Comm Jackson to purchase the hats from Rescue Stuff MC. Comm Jackson requested to purchase 68 job shirts for the Active FF's after discussion MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm Lockwood to purchase the shirts spending no more than 6,000.00 MC. MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm Lockwood to send the FF's that sign up to the Andy Fredricks class MC. Comm. Jackson brought up about cooking for the company meeting in January, will do. Chair Cole brought up about the Long Island Fire Show is coming up if any officers would like to attend to let him know. Comm. Lockwood brought up about how to pay for the new Ladder and Engine that are coming in, after discussion we will set up a workshop to discuss. Chair Cole thanked the board for a good year.

MM Comm. Lockwood MS Comm. Jackson to enter into executive session to discuss the lease contract with Cortlandt Engine Company at 8:20pm MC. Discussion held, MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Lockwood to exit executive session at 8:47pm.

MM Comm. Lockwood MS Comm. Jackson to adjourn the meeting. MC and the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Gilbert
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Montrose Fire District