

**Regular Meeting Board of Fire Commissioners Montrose Fire District
Thursday, Jan. 16, 2025**

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

Commissions present were Chair. Cole and Comm. Kolesar, Jackson, Kelly and Lockwood. Others present were AOM Gilbert, Atty. McCarthy, and Chiefs Hanney and O'Brien.

Pledge to the Flag was led by Comm. Kelly.

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. Kelly to pay the bills listed on Abstract 12-24 Claim #s 307 thru 355 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. Kelly MS Comm. Kolesar to approve Treas. Report DTR 12-24. MC.

Chiefs Report – Chief Hanney submitted the Chiefs Report and a copy is placed on file. Chief Hanney went over his report in its entirety.

Committees :

Apparatus / Equipment Repairs & Usage – Nothing to report.

Equipment Purchase – Nothing to report.

Communications – Discussion held on the hen hud tower and the county's involvement. No action taken.

Cell Phone Communications – Nothing to report.

Office Operations – Nothing to report.

Legal – Atty. McCarthy reported that he has received the contracts for the newly purchased LT-8 and it looks good. After a question from the board to Atty McCarthy,

discussion was held on building a structure on Company property, Attny McCarthy will look into it and report back to the board.

Insurance – Nothing to report.

Health And Safety – Comm. Lockwood reported it was good to have the gear de-coned by an outside company after the recent fire.

SOGS / Policies –Chief Hanney reported that the committee will be sitting down next week to being to discuss a new policy in reference to response to certain alarms.

Web Site – . Discussion held on the amount of time it is taking to get the site updated, will look into the domain name to see if we can keep it if the board decides to go in a different direction and will also follow up again with 911 webs.

Physical Exams – Nothing to report.

Hydrant – Nothing to report.

Building – Nothing to report.

Policy Review – Chair Cole reported that the committee will be sitting down soon to start to go over the policies.

Unfinished Business – MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm. Lockwood to approve all items requested on the chief's report MC. MM Comm. Kolesar, MS Comm. Jackson to let E-123 go to Lake George Parade for 2 nights MC. MM Comm. Kolesar, MS Comm. Kelly to surplus 24 pagers MC. Chair Cole asked about the airpacks that are on top of the cage and what we are doing with them, After discussion MM Comm. Kolesar, MS Comm. Kelly to surplus the 12 air packs MC. Further discussion held about possibly donating to departments needed in the areas affected by natural disasters, officers will look into, Attny McCarthy to be kept in the loop. MM Comm. Kelly, MS Comm. Kolesar to pay the premium for the Cancer policy MC. MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm. Lockwood to pay the premium for the LOSAP program 2025 MC. MM Comm. Kolesar, MS Comm. Lockwood to pay the admin fee for the LOSAP program MC. Charman Cole reported on the new U-68, the lift gate still needs to be put on, looking at another 2 weeks or so. Once the apparatus is here, we can bring it to HVFE to have it lettered. Chairman Cole asked if anyone is going to the long Island fire show, after discussion the Chief will see if anyone wants to go. MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm. Kolesar to allow up to 15 FF's to attend the event MC.

New Business – Comm Kolesar brought up that he feels that drivers should recert / refresh on our apparatus yearly, discussion held during the discussion Chief Hanney said the officers are working on something similar to this and will report to the board once it is completed. Chair Cole reported that the door pads on U-63 should be repaired, MM Comm. Jackson, MS Comm. Kolesar to purchase the pads and repair the damaged ones

MC. Chair Cole asked the board to please make sure the receipts are turned in in a timely fashion and to bring all purchases to the board. Chair Cole brought up about possibly adding a 4th mandated category to the service award program to make the alarms required, discussion held no action taken.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Kelly to adjourn the meeting. MC and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Gilbert
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