

Organizational Meeting - Board of Fire Commissioners Montrose Fire District - Friday, January 5, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Comm. Lockwood.

Commissioners present were John Jackson, Robert Lockwood, Scott Cole, Peter Kelly and Peter Kolesar.

Pledge to the Flag was led by FF Jody Carroll.

Attorney Dan McCarthy swore in newly elected Commissioner Scott Cole.

MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Kolesar to elect Robert Lockwood as Chairman of the Board for the year of 2026. MC.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Cole to appoint Mark Green as Treasurer of the Montrose Fire District for the year of 2026 at an annual salary of \$16,400.00 payable quarterly. MC.

MM Comm. Cole MS Comm. Kolesar to appoint Edward Snyder as Secretary of the Montrose Fire District for the year of 2026 at an annual salary of \$18,000.00 payable quarterly. MC.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Cole to retain Dan McCarthy as the Attorney for the Montrose Fire District for the year of 2026 at an annual salary of \$16,200.00 payable quarterly. MC.

MM Comm. Cole MS Comm. Kolesar to appoint Edward Snyder as Office Administrator of the Montrose Fire District for the year 2026 at an hourly rate of \$20.00 per hour payable quarterly. MC.

MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Kolesar to appoint Scott Gilbert as Administrative Assistant of the Montrose Fire District for the year 2026 at an hourly rate of \$25.00 per hour payable quarterly. MC.

Chiefs Appointments:

MM Comm. Cole MS Comm. Kolesar to appoint Kyle Hanney Chief of the Montrose Fire Department for the year of 2026. MC.

MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Kolesar to appoint Thomas Gilleo 1st Assistant Chief of the Montrose Fire Department for the year of 2026. MC.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Jackson to appoint Thomas Obrien 2nd Assistant Chief of the Montrose Fire Department for the year of 2026. MC.

On the recommendation of Chief Hanney, MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Kolesar to appoint the following Fire Police Officers for the year 2026: Capt. Gil Morello – Lieut. Sal Zito – Sgt. Roy Garrabrandt. MC.

On the recommendation of Chief Hanney, MM Comm. Cole MS Comm. Jackson to appoint the following Deputy Chiefs for the year 2026: DC Edward Snyder, DC Ryan Hojnacki, DC Scott Gilbert, DC Michael Hanney MC.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Jackson that the primary official newspaper to be used by the Board in 2026 be the Journal News. MC

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Cole that T D Bank be the financial institution used by the Montrose Fire District in 2026. MC.

MM Comm. Jackson MS Comm. Cole that the regular monthly meetings of the Board Of Fire Commissioners of the Montrose Fire District be held on the third Thursday of each month, in the year 2026, at 7:00 P. M. at the Montrose Firehouse at 2143 Albany Post Road Montrose, N. Y. MC.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Jackson that the Board continues to maintain membership in the following associations in the year 2026: NFPA, AFDNY, NYSAFC, WCAFD, WCVFA, WCAFC, FASNY, and IAFC. MC.

MM Comm. Cole MS Comm. Jackson that the Board subscribes to the following publications in 2026: Fire Engineering, Firehouse Magazine, Fire/Rescue Magazine, Fire Chief Magazine, NFPA Publications, and WNYF. MC.

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Jackson that the fixed mileage rate for the Montrose Fire District in 2026 be set at the IRS current rate of \$0.72.5 per mile. MC.

MM Comm. Cole MS Comm. Jackson to continue with the existing Investment Policy for Montrose Fire District in 2026 dated January 2, 2003. MC.

Chairman Lockwood proceeded to appoint the committees for the year 2026.

Attorney McCarthy proceeded to swear into office all the newly appointed Fire District Officers

MM Comm. Kolesar MS Comm. Jackson to adjourn the meeting. MC and meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Gilbert
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Montrose Fire District

