**2MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**ISLIP TERRACE FIRE DISTRICT**

**September 13, 2021**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Islip Terrace Fire District was held on September 13, 2021, and called to order by

Chairman Miller at 7:17 p.m. with the following present:

Chairman Keith Miller

Commissioner Bart Gugel

Commissioner Ermanno Chimirri

Commissioner Walter Westhoff

Chief Frank Russo

2nd Asst. Chief Pete Peluso

District Secretary Lori Ann Messino

District Supervisor Frank Cuoco

Pledge to the Flag led by Chairman Miller followed by a moment of silence.

Warrants and claims in the amount of $19,028.49; 12 checks and $5,500.00; 1 check have been reviewed, approved, and paid. Motion to approve made by Comm. Gugel seconded by Comm. Chimirri with all in favor.

Motion to approve minutes dated August 23, 2021, made by Comm. Chimirri seconded by Comm. Gugel with all in favor.

Motion to transfer $122,000 of general fund unassigned fund balance to the equipment reserve made by Comm. Gugel seconded by Comm. Westhoff with all in favor.

Motion to adopt proposed budget for 2022 of $2,578,350 with $2,577,000 to be raised by taxes which is a 0% increase in the district’s tax levy for 2022 over 2021 made by Comm. Chimirri seconded by Comm. Gugel with all in favor.

Motion to approve public hearing for 2022 budget to be held at headquarter at 6 p.m. on 10/19/2021 made by Comm. Westhoff seconded by Comm. Chimirri with all in favor.

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Correspondence:

* In receipt of Department Points and Service Awards report month ending 8/31/21.
* In receipt of Suffolk County District Court hearing vs. Robert Simpson. Court ruled in favor of the Islip Terrace Fire District.
* Request received for Ex Capt. Robert Gall to start driver training on District/Department vehicles. Board approved.
* Request received from Chief for Department to use the van on the following dates: 9/17/21, 11/13/21, 1/21/22, 3/18/22, 5/20/22. Board approved.
* Request received for the purchase of uniform shoes for Ex Capt. Anthony Siegler and Ex Capt. Robert Gallo. Motion to approve made by Comm. Westhoff seconded by Comm. Chimirri with all in favor.
* Letter received advising the Department needed to make an emergency purchase for EIHS 9-11 flag holders.

Chief Russo:

* Thank you for the 9/11 sirens commensuration.
* The department participated in 2 ceremonies for 9/11
* Advised he has forwarded a prioritized budget list for 2022.
* Held a discussion regarding protocol regarding airborne infectious disease.

2nd Asst. Chief Peluso:

* Advised turnout gear cleaning went well.
* Thank you for the inspection on truck clean up
* Advised we have two new prospects
* Thank you for the 6 new harnesses received
* Advised 10/3-10/9 is Fire prevention week. Gearing toward 10/9/21 to hold Fire Prevention here at District.
* Requested a new pair of Class A shoes for FF Alfred Knott. Motion to approve made by Comm. Westhoff seconded by Comm. Chimirri with all in favor.
* Submitted a request for the purchase of 2000 Fire Prevention hats with ITFD patch on front. Motion to approve purchase NTE $1500.00 made by Comm. Westhoff seconded by Comm. Gugel with all in favor.

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Comm. Westhoff:

* All in order

Comm. Chimirri:

* Held a discussion with Chiefs regarding 3-6-1 and 3-6-2 hose straps

Comm. Gugel:

* DeCon gun given to the Chiefs
* Chauffeur jacket status, requested a list of names and sizes from Chiefs

Motion to approve the hire of Ryan Wiedmann as per diem dispatcher at the rate of $17.00 per hour made by Comm. Gugel seconded by Comm. Chimirri with all in favor.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:30 p.m. made by Comm. Gugel seconded by Comm. Westhoff with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Ann Messino

District Secretary