

Port Ewen Fire Commissioners Meeting

Date: February 20th, 2024

Location: Port Ewen Fire Department Headquarters

Roll Call (X = Present)

X 5yr Michelle Brennan-Spinnenweber

X 4yr Scott Sammons

X 3yr Roger Boughton

X 2yr Shannon Harris

X 1yr William McNamara

X Sec'y Mike Dauner

X Treas. Wendy Trojak

X Chief Clark R. Mains

X Asst. Mike Lange

Asst. Joseph Mains

X Asst. Frank White Jr.

Pledge to the Flag

Meeting was called to order by: Commissioner Sammons at 20:00 hours.

At this time Sean Foran of Hueber Breuer presented to the board on his services for consulting and engineering for the fire house project. Their company deals with Feasibility Studies, Referendum Assistance, and Pre-Construction and Construction Phase services.

- The Board was presented with three persons who were approved by the Department for membership and now must be approved by the Commissioners for appointment. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sammons, 2nd Commissioner Boughton to appoint April White, Adele Berger, and Tim Houck as probationary firematic members. 5ok motion carried.**
- Commissioner Sammons asked that the board authorize the Secretary and Treasurer to attend a 1 day AFDSNY Conference in White Plains on Friday April 26th at \$200 each and for Commissioner Sammons to attend both the Friday April 26th and Saturday April 27th Conference at \$250. After discussion, **a motion was made by Commissioner Boughton, 2nd Commissioner Harris authorizing any Commissioner who wishes to attend as well as the Treasurer and Secretary be authorized to attend. 5ok motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Brennan-Spinnenweber, 2nd Commissioner Boughton authorizing board officials attending to be reimbursed the approved mileage rate for their travel. 5ok motion carried.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Sammons, 2nd Commissioner Boughton to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing proposed, pending or current litigation regarding the firehouse project. 5ok motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner McNamara, 2nd Commissioner Boughton to exit executive session. 5ok motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Harris, 2nd Commissioner Brennan-Spinnenweber to authorize the board to consult with fire district attorney Hannigan Law Firm in order to

explore legal possibilities to extricate the district from contracts with Delaware Engineering in the most legally prudent way possible. Vote: Commissioners' Sammons, Boughton, Brennan-Spinnenweber, Harris – Yes. Commissioner McNamara – Abstain. Motion carried.

Chief Mains advised that the Ladies Auxiliary wished to use the headquarters hall either April 21st or 28th for a Penny Social. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sammons, 2nd Commissioner Boughton authorizing the Ladies Auxiliary to hold a Penny Social at Headquarters on either April 21st or April 28th 2024. 5ok motion carried.**

From the Floor:

Jule Dauner:

- She stated it would be helpful beneficial for the Commissioners to be united in what they are saying and present as a united front. She stated the board can have different opinions but can work together.

Motion to adjourn made at 21:52 by Commissioner Boughton, 2nd by Commissioner McNamara. 5ok Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Dauner
District Secretary

Attachments:

1. Information from Hueber Breuer