MINUTES

Cutchogue Fire District

10/10/23 0730pm | Meeting called to order by Michael Finnican Chairman of the Board Meeting opened with a Salute to the Flag Moment of Silence for departed member Paul Kettrick Sr.

In Attendance

Michael Finnican, Chairman, Christopher Talbot, Vice Chairman

Larry Behr, Steven Harned, David Blados: Commissioners

Thomas Shalvey Jr. Secretary, Peter Zwerlein, Treasurer, Richard Lark, Attorney

William Brewer, Chief of Department, Christian Voegel 1st. Assistant Chief, 2nd. Assistant Chief Chris Dinizio Joseph Hinton, Company Captain

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the August 12, 2023 meeting were approved as distributed. (23-1000)

Approval of Treasurers Report and Audited Bills

See attachment

Treasurers report and audited bill for September 2023 approved as distributed (23-1001)

Correspondence Received

- 9-19-2023: From Fire Districts Mutual. Notification of change in processing worker's comp. cases.
- 9-19-2023: From Bound Tree Medical Supply. Notice that some items are no longer able to be used.
 Rescue squad notified with copy of letter.
- 9-19-2023: From Fire Districts Mutual: 3rd notification of change in processing workman's comp. cases.
- 9-20-2023: From PSEG electric power provider. Notification of future electric line work on Skunk Lane and Nassau Point Road.
- 9-22-2023: From Russo Consultants. FOIL request for fire on 9-17-2023.
- 9-22-2023: From the IRS: Notice of receipt of tax-exempt bond for new firehouse building project.
- 9-22-2023: From IWT radio supplier. Quote to move radios into construction trailer located at 355 New Suffolk Road \$21,101.06.
- 9-26-2023: From Gucciardo Law. FOIL request for call on 10-4-2017.
- 9-29-2023: From Ford Motor: Recall for 2021 F-150 vehicle. Will notify when parts become available.
- 10-2-2023: From Board of Elections; 2023 guidelines for special district elections.
- 10-2-2023: From Cutchogue-New Suffolk Historical Society: Insurance rider for event at ANNEX on 9-30-2023.
- 10-8-2023; From Chief's Office. Notification that members #463 and #573 have been placed on medical inactive.

- 10-10-2023: From Island Tech Services computer vendor. Quote for additional year warranty on District computer servers \$2154.00.
- 10-10-2023: From Southold Town. Renewal for tax exempt status on District owned properties.
- 10-10-2023: From United Fire Company: Notice that member #316 Paul Kettrick Sr. has answered his last alarm. {see attached}
- 10-10-2023: From Island Tech Services computer vendor. Suppling W-9 form requested by the district
- 10-10-2023: From Bill Anderson Vice-President of Southold Town Districts Officers. Minutes for 9-21-23 meeting.

Correspondence Sent

- 9-16-23: To Suffolk County. Request to keep Cox Lane property in County agriculture program.
- 9-16-23: To Stony Brook Hospital. Letter supporting additional training for responders in stress management.
- 9-22-23: To Southold Town. Notice of public hearing for proposed property tax break for firefighters.
- 9-23-23: To Russo Consultants. Acknowledgement of receipt of FOIL request for fire on 9-17-23.
- 9-26-23: To Gucciardo Law. Sent FOIL report requested for alarm on 10-4-2017.
- 10-2-23: To Russo Consultants: Sent FOIL report requested for fire on 9-17-23.
- 10-5-23: To Southold Town. Public notice of budget hearing on 10-17-23

Secretary Report

- 9-21-23: Published legal notice in Suffolk Times re: public hearing on new state law offering tax break for firefighters.
- 10-5-23: Published legal notice in Suffolk Times re: Budget Hearing on 10-17-23.
- 10-7-23: Posted sign-up list for Department physicals on 11-5-23

Board Discussion

- Discussion on acquiring new stretchers for District ambulances. The Secretary presented breakdown of options available. Further discussion to follow.
- Discussion on hiring paid EMS providers to supplement coverage now solely provided by volunteers.
- Discussion on getting building A cleaned out for utilities upgrade.

Motions

- 23-1000: Motion to approve September 12, 2023 distributed minutes. Motion by S. Harned, Seconded by D. Blados. All present in favor. Motion passed.
- 23-1001: Motion to approve treasurer's report and audited bills for September as presented. Motion by S. Harned Seconded by L. Behr. All present in favor. Motion passed.
- 23-1002: Motion to hire Integrated Wireless Technologies {IWT} to transfer all radio equipment to new trailer being used during construction of new firehouse @ the quoted price of \$21,101.00 Vendor quote #94622.00 Pricing as per Nassau County Contract # BPNC19000002 Motion by S. Harned, seconded by C. Talbot. All present on favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- 23-1003: Motion to extend service contract on District computer servers with Island Tesh Services @ quoted price of \$2,154.00. Motion by S. Harned, seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1004: Motion to reject all bids for electrical upgrade for 255 New Suffolk Road {rewiring and emergency generator} and rebid project As soon as possible. Motion by M. Finnican, seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1005: Motion to approve Southold town grant offer and file necessary paperwork with town Comptroller. Motion by S. Harned, seconded by L. Behr. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1006: Motion to issue a permissive referendum for \$90,000.00 to move funds from equipment reserve fund for purchase of a thermal camera for 8-5-10 {rescue Boat} and stretchers with auto loaders for ambulances 8-5-16 & 8-5-17. Motion by D. Blados, seconded by S. Harned. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1007: Motion to purchase 2 additional Dewalt Flexvolt 60 batteries @ \$271.00 each for portable fan on 8-5-4 approximate cost \$100.00. Motion by D. Blados, seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1008: Motion to put out bid package for new replacement ambulance. Attorney Glass to prepare a bid package. Motion by D. Blados, seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1009: Motion to approve the rental of a temporary emergency generator and to have it hooked up to
 existing firehouse due to the failure of the existing generator to activate during recent power
 interruption. Motion by C. Talbot, seconded by S. Harned. All present in favor. Motion passed
 unanimously.
- 23-1010: Motion to approve items 1-6 {training} on Chief's report {see attached}. Motion by S. Harned, seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1011: Motion to approve items 1-6 {activities} on Chief's report {see attached}. Motion by C. Talbot, seconded by L. Behr. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1012: Motion to approve use of unit 8-5-19 for members to attend vital signs EMS conference in Syracuse, NY. Motion by C. Talbot, seconded by S. Harned. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1013: Motion to approve \$450.46 reimbursement for books and training for a third party EMT class taken by member Emma Pearsall. Motion by S. Harned, seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously. In the future, any member wanting to attend a training course, other than one sanctioned by the District or Department, should get prior permission from the Chief's Office and Commissioners to determine what, if any expensed would be reimbursed.
- 23-1014: Motion to purchase new Halligan tool lost at fire on 9-17-23. Motion by L. Behr, seconded by S. Harned. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- 23-1015: Commissioner S. Harned made a motion to have the Board go into Executive Session at 0845pm for the purpose of discussing information relating to a current investigation of a criminal offense which would impair effect law enforcement, if disclosed. Seconded by C. Talbot. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- Board entered Executive Session on 08:45 hours.
- 23-1016: Motion to adjourn from executive session at 09:12 hours. Motion by S. Harned, seconded by D. Blados. All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

 23-1017: Motion to adjourn @ 9:18 pm. Motion by M. Finnican, seconded by L. Behr. All present in favor. Motion passed All present in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolutions See Attachment

- 23-10-01: Resolution to adopt proposed granting of a property tax reduction for members. As allowed by NYS law 466a Motion by M. Finnican, Seconded by D. Blados. All present in favor. Motion passed.
- 23-10-02: Resolution to issue permissive referendum for \$90,000.00 from the equipment reserve fund to finance purchase of thermal camera and 2 power load Stryker stretchers and loading devices. Motion by D. Blados, seconded by S. Harned. All present in favor, motion passed.

Commissioners Report's

Commissioner Blados

- 8-5-1: needs a new intake valve. Hendrickson to repair.
- 8-5-3: to have new rope lights installed by Hendrickson under warranty.
- 8-5-2: repairs completed on rear scene lights.
- 8-5-4: to have new electric outlet boxes installed by Hendrickson for newly installed equipment.
- 8-5-17: out for routine service on 10-12-23
- New heaters for Building A will be delivered on 10-11-23. Will be installed soon.
- 1st. Round of physicals will be held on 11-5-23.

Commissioner Talbot

Cleaning of Building A is ongoing. Will schedule a new date soon.

Commissioner Behr

- Received quote from Lupton and Luce insurance agents on cancer coverage for members He will review and make recommendation to Board on which option to choose.
- Mentioned issue with ambulance loading dock at Eastern Long Island Hospital. Town Districts and Chief's associations to meet and discuss further.

Commissioner Harned

- Progress on hiring paid EMS provider for District.
- Discussion on installing lift kits on new Chief's cars Due to the weight of emergency equipment carried in the cargo area of the vehicle. Will wait until push bars are installed to see if that makes a difference.

Commissioner Finnican

- A temporary generator had to be rented for the existing firehouse due to issues with the current generator not working as a result of mechanical issues. This caused an emergency necessitating the rental unit being acquired immediately. A generator is a must have for the building to be able to provide needed emergency services for the community during alarms. It was explained that the existing generator is past its useful life and will not be used in the new firehouse project. Replacement parts would be very expensive.
- Walk around for bidders on the New Firehouse Building Project will be October 12, 2023 @10:00 am.
- Working on auction to dispose of surplus items that will no longer be needed in New Firehouse Building Project.

Chief's Report

See Attachment

8-5-30

- Submitted letter of requests to the Board 8-5-31
- No Report 8-5-32
- No Report

Captain Report

Well pumping will be starting soon.

Audience Participation

None

Next Meeting

11/14/2023, 8:00 pm at CFD Annex 32470 Main Road Cutchogue

Thomas Shalvey Jr.

Secretary

Cutchogue Fire District Abstract of Transactions For Approval October 10, 2023 Warrant 23-10

Pay To	Amount	
ABT DESIGN & FIRE	\$214.00	
AZAMA DE CHAPETON MARGARITA	\$225.00	
BIG GEYSER INC	\$318.90	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$564.51	
CAPITAL ONE, N.A. CORP. CARD	\$3,239.09	
CASSONE LEASING, INC	\$4,378.55	
CMJ EMERGENCY LIGHTING	\$26,793.19	
COASTLINE CESSPOOL & DRAIN	\$1,650.00 <	Bldg Reserve Fund (PARTIAL)
CUTCHOGUE FIRE DEPT. CHIEFS	\$125.00	, , ,
CUTCHOGUE HARDWARE	\$42.24	
EMERGENCY DECON SERVICES CORP	\$2,895.00	
FETTEN SIGN COMPANY, INC	\$5,150.00	
FIREMATIC SUPPLY	\$1,220.00	
FOX, BILL CO., LLC	\$586.40	
GLASS JR. WILLIAM F. ESQ	\$546.00	
HARTFORD THE	\$149.70	
ISLAND TECH SERVICES	\$4,084.80	
LARK & FOLTS, ESQS	\$9,213.02	
MARTIN C. AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY	\$143.92	
MASON W.B	\$85.41	
MATTITUCK ENVIRO SERVICES	\$305.33	
MAYDAY COMMUNICATIONS	\$736.00	
NASSAU DIAGNOSTICS, INC	\$200.00	
NATIONAL GRID	\$308.59	724
NEMSCHICK SILVERMAN ARCHITECTS	\$106,875.00 < 0	Cap Proj Fund
NOFO WELLNESS CENTER	\$550.00	
NORTH FORK COUNTRY CLUB	\$1,753.20	
NYS EMPLOYMENT TAXES UI	\$76.26	
OPTIMUM	\$665.30	
PAYCHEX	\$213.65	
PAYROLL	\$18,236.85	
PETRO COMMERCIAL SERVICES	\$1,471.20	
PSEG LONG ISLAND	\$1,674.34	
PSEG LONG ISLAND ANNEX	\$230.88	
PSTRAX	\$540.00	
RICHARD SECURITY, INC	\$117.72	
SHAMROCK TREE COMPANY	\$320.00	
SOUTHOLD PHARMACY	\$68.00	
SPRAGUE OPERATING RESOURCES	\$1,493.09	
TIMES REVIEW NEWSPAPERS	\$102.01	
UNITED STATES TREASURY EFTPS	\$1,392.43	
VERIZON LAND LINES	\$128.49	
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$97.00	

Cutchogue Fire District Abstract of Transactions For Approval October 10, 2023 Warrant 23-10

Pay To	Amount
VIKING ESP CORPORATION	\$5,956.29
WITMER ASSOCIATES, INC	\$513.92
XCL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES INC	\$181.79
ZUMMO BRUCE	\$700.00
Total bills for approval 10/10/2023	\$206,532.07

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UNITED FIRE COMPANY NO. 1 CUTCHOGUE FIRE DEPT.

CUTCHOGUE, L.I., N.Y. 11935 (631) 734-6907

October 10, 2023

Board of Fire Commissioners Cutchogue Fire District 260 New Suffolk Road Cutchogue, NY 11935-2037

> Re: Regular Company Meeting #1143 October 5, 2023

Gentlemen:

Please be advised of the following action that took place at the above referenced meeting or as noted.

- Richard Hartmann (c/n 463) was placed on the medical inactive list as of 8/6/2023.

 Attachment 1
- Honorary member Paul Kettrick (c/n 316) answered his last alarm on 10/8/2023.

I have enclosed a copy of the calendar of events for the current month. Chief Brewer or Captain Hinton can inform you of any changes, additions or deletions.

Attachment 2

Please contact me if I can be of any further assistance or direct your inquiries to Captain Hinton or Chief Brewer.

Firematically yours,
THE UNITED FIRE COMPANY No. 1

Tom

Thomas Cybulski Recording Secretary

cc:

Chief William Brewer Captain Joseph Hinton

Attachment(s) 2



CUTCHOGUE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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William Brewer

Christian Voegel

Christopher Dinizio

Thomas Shalvey, Jr. Department Secretary Thomas Roslak

October 2023

Fire School/Training

- 1- Car Fire Drill @SCFA Tuesday October 17th
- 2- MVA / Extrication training w/ MFD Thursday October 19th
- 3- MIMS ICS 300 Class at MFD Sat. Oct. 20th & Sun. October 21st
- 4- Fire Police Class Sat October 28th & Sun. 29th at Orient FD
- 5- Town Water Rescue Training/ Drill Sunday October 29th
- 6- NYS Wildfire Academy Classes at BNL 10/22-10/29

Activities:

- 1- Adopt a Highway Road Clean up- Saturday October 14th 930 am
- 2- CFD- STPD Golf Outing Wednesday October 18th @ Cedars GC
- 3- Fire Prevention Week at the Schools October 10-12th
- 4- Town Chief Council Meeting Monday October 16th @MFD
- 5- NFVFA meeting October 25th @JFD
- 6- Town Ex-Chief Dinner Friday November 10th at NFCC

Equipment/Repairs:

- 1. Request to repair replace Marine UHF radio on 8-5-10, No audio / Speaker
- 2. 8-5-17 Due for service Oil Change.

Requests:

- 1. Request permission for 8-5-19 to be used for travel to Vital Signs EMS conference in Syracuse October 19-22.
- 2. Request consideration for reimbursement to Emma Pearsall for EMT class she recently completed. (see attached).

Purchases:

- 1. Request to purchase (1) Halligan tool \$300.00 ea. to replace lost tool at signal 13.
- 2. Request to purchase replacement (1) 50' length of 2.5" hose color red for replacement on 8-5-4. (NY corp couplings)

Respectfully Submitted:

Chief William H. Brewer

RESOLUTION OF THE CUTCHOGUE FIRE DISTRICT TO GRANT A TAX EXEMPTION TO ELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AS PROVIDED FOR BY REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW §466-a Resolution 23-10-01

WHEREAS, § 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law authorizes the Fire District after a public hearing to grant a partial real property tax exemption to enrolled volunteer members of the Cutchogue Fire Department

WHEREAS the Cutchogue Fire District has conducted the public hearing required by the statute and elicited public comment on said topic

WHEREAS the Board of Fire Commissions has determined that the granting of the tax exemption will enhance recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters in the Cutchogue Fire Department

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an exemption be granted at ten (10 %) percent of the assessed value of the real property owned by an enrolled volunteer firefighter who meets the eligibility requirements established in this resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the enrolled member of the Cutchogue Fire Department must meet the following requirements to be eligible for the tax exemption:

- 1. The enrolled member must reside in the territory served by the Fire District
- 2. The property must be the primary residence of the enrolled member
- 3. The property is used exclusively for residential purposes, provided however, that in the event any portion of such property is not used exclusively for the applicant's residence but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation and the remaining portion only shall be entitled to the exemption provided by this section
- 4. The enrolled member has been certified by the Chief of the Cutchogue Fire Department to have served at least 2 years of active service and such certification has been approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an enrolled member of the Cutchogue Fire Department who accrues more than twenty years of active service as certified by the Chief of the Cutchogue Fire Department shall be granted the ten (10%) percent exemption as authorized by this resolution for the remainder of his or her life as long as the property for which the exemption is sought under this resolution is the primary residence of the enrolled member.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exemption granted under this resolution shall continue for the un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of the Cutchogue Fire Department who is killed in the line of duty upon the following conditions:

- 1. The un-remarried spouse is certified by the Chief of the Fire Department as the unremarried spouse of the volunteer firefighter killed in the line of duty;
- 2. The deceased volunteer firefighter had been an enrolled member for at least five years;

3. The deceased volunteer firefighter had been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exemption granted under this Resolution shall continue for the un-remarried spouse of a deceased member of the Cutchogue Fire Department under the following conditions:

- 1. The un-remarried spouse is certified by the Chief of the Fire Department as the unremarried spouse of the deceased enrolled member of the Cutchogue Fire Department
- 2. The deceased volunteer firefighter has been an enrolled member for at least twenty years
- 3. The deceased volunteer firefighter has been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any exemption granted under this Resolution shall be filed with the Town of Southold on the forms designated by the Town; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Fire District is directed to provide the Town of Southold with a copy of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THIS RESOLUTION shall be effective as of the date of its adoption.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Chairman) M. Finnican Aye Commissioner) C. Talbot Aye Commissioner) L. Behr Aye Commissioner) S. Harned Aye Commissioner) D. Blados Aye

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Dated: October 10, 2023. New York

Thomas Shalvey Jr.

Secretary

CUTCHOGUE FIRE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 23-10-02

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Cutchogue Fire District, Town of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, held at the Cutchogue Fire Department Annex, 32470 Main Road, Cutchogue, New York on the 10th day of October, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. prevailing time.

PRESENT: Michael E. Finnican, Chairman David A. Blados Christopher Talbot Lawrence G. Behr

Steven L. Harned

Also present were Peter Zwerlein, Treasurer and Thomas Shalvey, Jr. and Attorney, Richard F. Lark, Esq.

WHEREAS, a Capital Reserve Fund of the Cutchogue Fire

District was heretofore established pursuant to Section 6-g of
the General Municipal Law for the acquisition of apparatus,
equipment and supplies designated as "Apparatus and Equipment
Reserve Fund"; and said Reserve Fund has a present balance of
\$831,948.08; and

WHEREAS, certain apparatus and equipment are necessary for the Fire District to provide proper and efficient firematic services to the Cutchogue Fire District, to wit: a certain FLIR M364 thermal camera to be mounted on and used in the operation of the Cutchogue Fire District fireboat; and the purchase of two Stryker Power Load Stretchers which are necessary for the safe and efficient operation of transporting patients in the Cutchogue Fire District ambulances.

NOW, on motion of Commissioner David A. Blados, seconded by Commissioner Steven L. Harned, all Members present voting therefor, it is

RESOLVED, that subject to a Permissive Referendum as provided for pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law, there be and hereby is appropriated out of the Capital Reserve Fund designated as "Apparatus and Equipment Reserve Fund" of the Cutchogue Fire District, Town of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, a sum not to exceed \$90,000.00 to be applied to the purchase price for a FLIR M364 thermal camera to be mounted on the Cutchogue Fire District fireboat; and for two Stryker Power Load Stretchers to be installed in the Cutchogue Fire District ambulances, the cost whereof may be properly financed from the "Apparatus and Equipment Reserve Fund"; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that within ten (10) days from the date of the adoption of the foregoing resolution the Fire District Secretary shall cause to be published in The Suffolk Times, a newspaper having a general circulation in said District, a notice which shall set forth the date of the adoption thereof and contain an abstract of this resolution concisely setting forth the purposes and effect thereof and that such resolution was adopted subject to a Permissive Referendum; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said resolution shall not take effect until thirty (30) days after its adoption; or if there be filed with the Fire District Secretary, a petition requiring the affirmative vote of a majority of the electors of the Fire District as required by law; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon said resolution becoming effective as above provided and upon delivery and acceptance of the said equipment and apparatus to the Fire District and the presentation of proper vouchers for the purchase price thereof, the Treasurer of the Fire District be and hereby is authorized and directed to make payment out of the Capital Reserve Fund of the Fire District entitled "Apparatus and Equipment Reserve Fund" and said sum not to exceed \$90,000.00.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolutions were put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Michael E. Finnican	VOTING_	Yes
David A. Blados	VOTING	Yes
Christopher Talbot	VOTING	Yes
Lawrence G. Behr	VOTING	Yes
Steven L. Harned	VOTING	_Yes

The resolutions were thereupon declared duly adopted.

I, THOMAS SHALVEY, JR., as Secretary of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Cutchogue Fire District, Town of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing resolutions adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Cutchogue Fire District on October 10th, 2023, with the original thereof on file in my office and that same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original resolutions; and that due notice was given to all Members of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Cutchogue Fire District of the foregoing meeting.

IN WITHESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Board this 10th day of October, 2023.

Thomas Shalvey, Jr., Secre