

REGULAR MEETING

SOUTHAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 8, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Southampton Fire District was called to order by Chairman Grisnik in the Library of the Tuckahoe School, 468 Magee Street, Southampton, New York, in accordance with the notice provided to the news media, copy of which is attached hereto. The meeting opened at 7:30 PM with the salute to the flag followed by a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Commissioners Robert Grisnik, W. Mark Press, David Price, Harald Steudte, Tom White, Treasurer Mike Hadix and Secretary Nicole Hadix

GUESTS: So. Fire Dept 1st Asst. Chief Roy L. Wines IV and Michael Wright representing the Southampton Press

Chief's Report – 1st assistant Chief Buddy Wines provided the NFPA Survey Report for the time period of January 1, 2007 through January 31, 2007. These reports are attached herein to these minutes. The chief reported 70 calls for the month, 672.87 man hours. Average attendance for calls varies from 3 chiefs to 67 members. More specialized NFPA reports separating village and district to be available in the future. Chief reported on structure fire in Hillcrest neighborhood, 3 fire dept. members are being recognized by Southampton Village board for their efforts. Commissioner Press asked if fire dept. still had an agreement with bus company to use bus as "warming stations" on cold nights. Commissioner Steudte asked about fire at Guillo pit. Fire Marshal met with Mr. Guillo to discuss options to prevent future problems. Commissioner Press asked if installation of a fire hydrant closer to Guillo property would be beneficial. Chief Wines said hydrant on the south side of LIRR tracks would be helpful.

A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. White to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2007. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye
Mr. Price	Aye		

VH4-24

A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Steudte to approve the thirteen vouchers presented by Treasurer Hadix for payment. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye
Mr. Price	Aye		

VH4-25

The Treasurer’s Report was reviewed (a copy attached herein). A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. White to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye
Mr. Price	Aye		

VH4-26

The Secretary reviewed the correspondence sent and received over the last month. A list is attached herein.

Committee Reports

Fire District Budget – No report

Fire Protection Contract – Mr. Grisnik received a draft copy of proposed 2007 contract earlier today, to be discussed in executive session

Long Range Planning – Invited to Water Mill CAC meeting on February 12, 2007. Commissioners Press and White to represent district.

Wells, Hydrants & Water Mains – Reviewed plan for A&E Estates to place a trailer on South Magee, looking into possible split with Guillo to install new fire hydrant. Commissioner Steudte reported that all hydrants have been cleaned by community service workers. Workers have moved onto cleaning Montauk Highway, National golf course, 7-11, and Hillcrest neighborhood. Chief Wines suggested having workers clean basement of the Windmill Lane fire house.

Commissioner Press noted electric deep wells on North Sea Road and Head of Pond have been removed. Presently, trying to find someone to cap wells at no cost to the District. Hold on North Sea/Mecox Rd. plan, waiting to hear from Mr. Steve Phillips. Project to extend from North Sea/Mecox Rd. to Majors Path south to Dovers Path. Second project extends Edge of Woods Rd. to Seven Ponds Towd Rd. south. Waiting on resident signatures and part of cost possibly to be abated by new subdivision in area. Third project on Rose Hill Rd. to David’s Lane to be discussed at Water Mill CAC meeting.

Commissioner Press asked town for new signs for the district stating dial 911 for assistance, current signs have been damaged or removed.

Commissioner Price stated junior firefighters have supplied 3 quotes for caps and badges \$2,062, \$2,097, \$2,480. Jr’s. Prefer caps from East End Quartermaster at \$2,097 for 30 caps, since caps are adjustable. Secretary to send thank you letter to junior firefighters.

A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. White to allow Southampton Junior Fire Fighters to order 30 caps and 30 badges from East End Quartermaster in an amount not to exceed \$2,097. The motion was carried by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye
Mr. Price	Aye		

VH4-27

Old Business – Commissioner Press spoke regarding Braun Marketing legal matter. Case is currently on hold, Judge Burke may have to recuse himself. Case will then go forward. Commissioner Press was deposed.

Treasurer Hadix stated he received only one bid for auditor for the district. Hulse & Co. supplied a bid of \$5,700 per year for a two year contract.

Treasurer Hadix spoke about web site. Currently working on logo and format for site. Mr. Hadix has secured the domain name Southampton Fire District.Org. Once all final decisions made and contracts signed, site will be up and running in approximately 2 to 3 weeks. Usual price \$3,000, but price could be less for District. Chief Wines stated the fire department has a website at Southampton FD.Org.

Treasurer Hadix spoke regarding updating the office. Commissioner Press, the Treasurer and Secretary had a meeting and decided on purchasing a new desk, work table, storage cabinet and fire proof file cabinet. He received a bid from Dunkerley’s for \$2,854, waiting on bid from Legends. Dunkerlys bid for 4 drawer fire proof file cabinet is \$1,400. Mr. Grisnik asked to look into state contracts.

Secretary Hadix stated Dunkerleys repair came to district office on January 26 and serviced copier. The gentleman stated copier not worth repairing.

Mr. Press added a new computer preferably laptop would benefit the District and could be used by Secretary and Treasurer at home as well as used at the District meetings. Chief Wines stated the fire department uses a laptop and Windows remote desktop to access the main computer. Mr. Hadix to get bids for all of the above for next meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Price to hire Hulse & Company CPA’s, P.C. of Huntington Station, NY as auditor for the Southampton Fire District for the years 2007 & 2008 at \$5,700. per year (a copy is attached herein). The motion was carried by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye	
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye	
Mr. Price	Aye			<u>VH4-28</u>

A motion was made by Mr. Steudte and seconded by Mr. White to allow Mr. Hadix and Mr. Press to work with Hamptons Online to develop a website for the Southampton Fire District. The motion was carried by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye	
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye	
Mr. Price	Aye			<u>VH4-29</u>

New Business – Treasurer Hadix stated there is an Enhanced Fire District Accountability seminar on Thursday March 8, 2007 in Riverhead, fee is \$20.

Mr. Press has information regarding Fire District Commissioner’s badges from East End Quartermaster for \$73.50; a case for the badge would run an extra \$10 to \$20. Mr. Grisnik asked to see a proof of the badge before a decision could be made. Also business cards with Fire District logo would be beneficial to commissioners.

Chief Wines asked about the fire hydrant out of service on Sebonac and Henry Roads.

A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. Steudte to send Mr. Hadix to the Fire District accountability meeting on Thursday March 8, 2007. The motion was carried by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye	
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye	
Mr. Price	Aye			<u>VH4-30</u>

A motion was made by Mr. Steudte and seconded by Mr. Press at 8:32PM to recess to executive session to discuss contractual and personnel matters. The motion was passed by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye	
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye	
Mr. Price	Aye			<u>VH4-31</u>

The proposed contract was discussed and amendments were made.

The executive session was adjourned at 9:50 PM and the Board of Fire Commissioners returned to the regular meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. White to amend the proposed Fire District contract to read the sum of \$825,000, \$850,000 and \$875,000 annually for years 2007, 2008 and 2009. Additionally with \$175,000 (in two separate payments of 87,500) to go to membership each year (a copy attached herein). **Additionally, Mr. Grisnik has the authority to sign the contract with the above provisions.** The motion was carried by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye	
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye	
Mr. Price	Aye			<u>VH4-32</u>

A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. Steudte to retain Bette-jeanne H. Schreier as backup secretary for the Southampton Fire District. The motion was passed by the following vote.

Mr. Grisnik	Aye	Mr. Steudte	Aye	
Mr. Press	Aye	Mr. White	Aye	
Mr. Price	Aye			<u>VH4-33</u>

Chairman Grisnik declared the meeting adjourned at 9:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole Hadix
Secretary