

REGULAR MEETING

SOUTHAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 14, 2013

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

PRESENT: Commissioners David Price, Tom White, Roy Wines, Brian Cooke, Bill Pell, Treasurer MaryAnn Milton and Secretary Kristin White

ABSENT: N/A

GUESTS: Timothy McCulley, 1st Assistant Chief Michael Kampf, David Raynor

Mr. Price submitted the minutes from the December 13, 2012 meeting for motion. A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Wines to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2012. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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| Mr. Price | Aye | Mr. Wines | Aye | Mr. Cooke | Aye | |
| Mr. White | Aye | Mr. Pell | Aye | | | <u>VW10-32</u> |

Chief’s Report: The Chief’s Report was submitted by 1st Assistant Michael Kampf, a well report was submitted by Chief Brenner. A copy is attached herein. Chief Kampf reported that it had been a quiet month with exception to the Blizzard that took place Feb 9, 10. 11 is back on track, mtg with committee took place, set of plans adapted, moving smoothly.

Timothy S. McCully, Esq. of Burke and Sullivan, PLLC Attorneys at Law addressed the Board as a representative of the developers of a horse farm on Deerfield Rd on the former site of Frankenbach’s Deerfield Nursery. The applicant has requested the Board of Fire Commissioners allow a variance against installing sprinklers in the riding arena and the stable. The attorney reported that a central alarm system will be installed as well as an onsite hydrant with 6 or 8 inch water main and a 2 inch “RPZ” valve.

The convenient on the property allows for no public assembly of any type, there is no waiting or viewing area. There may at some times be a maximum of approx. 30 people riding or caring for the animals. There will be no shows and no matches, the arena will be used as a strictly private facility; adhering to all IE exemptions for agricultural use.

Com. Wines asked if there will be a sprinkler system for turf inside the building, Mr. McCulley answered that there will be no turf, there will be a footing floor made of composite material and no sprinkler system, the construction will be a metal building with steel trusses.

Mr. McCulley expressed that the owner is comfortable with not sprinkling the stable. The Commissioner's expressed strong concern in regards to sprinkling stable, they feel it is foolish for the stable to not be protected by a sprinkler system as the fire threat is considerable and substantial.

The Commissioners concede because the stable is for private us with a forever convenient it does fall within the terms of Ag exemption; but they strongly recommend the use of a sprinkler system and feel the opportunity for loss and return on investment far out way the installation cost

A motion was made by Mr. Cooke and seconded by Mr. Wines to honor the request of the farm owner to send a letter withdrawing the recommendation that a sprinkler system be installed in the riding area located at the property formally known as Frankenbach's Deerfield Nursery. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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| Mr. Price | Aye | Mr. Wines | Aye | Mr. Cooke | Aye | |
| Mr. White | Aye | Mr. Pell | Aye | | | <u>VW10-33</u> |

A motion was made by Mr. Wines and seconded by Mr. Cooke to approve the eleven (11) vouchers as presented for January 2013. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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| Mr. Price | Aye | Mr. Wines | Aye | Mr. Cooke | Aye | |
| Mr. White | abstained | Mr. Pell | Aye | | | <u>VW10-34</u> |

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Cooke and seconded by Mr. Wines to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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| Mr. Price | Aye | Mr. Wines | Aye | Mr. Cooke | Aye | |
| Mr. White | Aye | Mr. Pell | Aye | | | <u>VW10-35</u> |

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

Committee Reports-

Fire District Budget - In use

Fire Protection Contract – A Contract for Fire Protection from the Village of Southampton has been reviewed by the board and legal counsel for the District.

A motion was made by Mr. Wines and Seconded by Mr. Pell to have Com Price and District Secretary sign the fire protection contract. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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| Mr. Price | Aye | Mr. Wines | Aye | Mr. Cooke | Aye | |
| Mr. White | Aye | Mr. Pell | Aye | | | <u>VW10-35</u> |

Long Range Planning – Latest set of plans for the North Sea Rd site have been picked up from the architect and are available for review by the Board. In the contractual meetings with the Village it was discussed that the Village needs to make plans for the future and that a Fire House in this location my match their needs. In the future the District and the Village will meet on a

qtr. basis. The Village appears interested in the District moving forward, there was some discussion of the Dept leaving the Windmill Lane site and that location being utilized by the Village Ambulance or sold to the community preservation fund and historical society for a museum. The District representatives asked for a formal letter from mayor and the Village Commissioner as to the issues discussed, this would allow the District to move forward at a more rapid pace to fulfill their need. The Board would like to see the project shovel ready. Com. Wines added that the Village has no intention of moving forward without discussion with the Department and accessing their feelings and opinion on the matter. Com White asked the Chief how do we alert the rest of the membership, through counsel, company meetings. Com Price stated that he hopes Chief Kampf will serve as a Liaison and report to counsel what was discussed tonight. There needs to be better communication all around, with the District the Village and The Department. The Village has given their blessings for the District Board to speak with chiefs, and the Village and District feel there should be a representative from chiefs ranks if not counsel at quarterly meetings. This is only beginning of talks, not something that will happen before Village elections. Village is concerned with feelings and desires of the Dept, and will not act without discussion. They are also not limited to options discussed with the District at the meetings, this just represents two ideas they are considering.

Mr. Price made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Wines to move forward to the next step with the Planning Board and the North Sea Rd. property.

Questions: Mr. Pell asked if space would/could be made available for the Town Ambulance. Chiefs of both organizations need to discuss whether they would have an ambulance garaged with the Fire Dept or if the vehicle would be strictly for the use of Fire Dept. There may be an issue with two separate taxing entities; there are lots of issues to work out. The District Boards understanding is the ambulance is not looking for space for them but for the onsite resuscitation vehicle manned by EMTs.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

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| Mr. Price | Aye | Mr. Wines | Aye | Mr. Cooke | Aye |
| | | Mr. White | Aye | Mr. Pell | Aye |

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Wells, Hydrants & Water Mains – Mr. Cooke has been given a verbal quote in January by Bill Clair to repair and pull the well on west neck rd. The District does not have a Quote from contractors or the DEC specs. The Board will review in March.

Old Business – Com Wines discussed with Chief Roy about using the Hampton Rd fire house for future meeting space. Chief Roy would be happy to work with the District on this matter. Some of the District activities, i.e. elections, may have to be located within the District.

New Business –

Recognition: Public Participation – N/A

Without further business a motion was made by Mr. Wines and seconded by Mr. White to adjourn tonight’s meeting at 8:15PM. The motion was passed by the following vote.

Mr. Price Aye Mr. Wines Aye Mr. Cooke Aye
 Mr. White Aye Mr. Pell Aye

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Chairman Price declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin White, Secretary