

REGULAR MEETING

SOUTHAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT

JUNE 8, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Southampton Fire District was called to order by Chairman Press 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, Thomas B. White Treasurer Mike Hadix, and Acting Secretary Kristin White.

GUESTS: Chief Brian Cooke, Southampton Fire Department, Sam Dimon, member of the Southampton Fire Department and Robert Sikora from Munistat Services, Inc.

Chief's Report : The report was presented by Chief Brian Cooke and a copies of Incident Reports from March 9 – April 13, 2006, April 13 – May 11, 2006 and May 11 – June 8, 2006 are attached to these minutes. Chief Cooke reported that the Village Board of Trustees voted unanimously today to accept the bid from Pierce for a new ladder truck. This truck should be delivered within the next twelve months at an approximate cost of \$998,800.

A motion was made by Mr. Grisnik and seconded by Mr. White to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2006 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			<u>VS3-71</u>

A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Steudte to approve the 10 vouchers printed and two additional 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			<u>VS3-72</u>

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed (a copy attached herein). A motion was made by Mr. Grisnik and seconded by Mr. Price 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		

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

The vote for the bond issue passed at the May 11, 2006 which was originally scheduled for June 20, 2006 was cancelled because the school districts had their second budget votes that same evening. Our attorney, William F. Glass, Jr. has suggested that we reschedule the vote for Tuesday, July 18, 2006. The announcement must be submitted to the paper by Monday so that it will appear in Thursday's issue, June 15, 2006. The Bond Resolution which was passed at the May 11, 2006 is acceptable with a correction on Section 7 to reflect the date of the Special Election to be July 18, 2006 rather than June 20, 2006 as noted in the May 11, 2006 minutes.

Assuming the bond vote is approved and the subdivision of the property is approved, Robert Sikora from Munistat discussed several ways that the money could be secured for the closing. One way would be through a bond anticipation note which the bond resolution gives the Board the authority to issue. The bond anticipation note is only issued for a period of one year and if the Board decides to issue a bond that could be for a longer period of time. It takes longer to complete transactions for bonds (approximately 6 weeks). The bond sale would take place after the Town of Southampton approves the subdivision. Mr. Sikora developed three options with estimated debt service and tax rate impact for a bond issued for 5 years, 10 years or 15 years. Copies of these options are attached to these minutes. These are for planning purposes but must be decided before you establish the 2007 District Budget. Estimated closing costs are \$35,000 - \$40,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. White to rescind the original vote planned on June 20, 2006 because of a conflict with school districts votes to be rescheduled for July 18, 2006. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

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Commissioner Grisnik offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MAY 11, 2006, CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JULY 18, 2006, DIRECTING SUBMISSION OF A BOND PROPOSITION AT SAID SPECIAL ELECTION AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A Special Election of the qualified voters of the Southampton Fire District, in the Town of Southampton, Suffolk County, New York (herein called the "Fire District"), shall be held at the Library of the Tuckahoe School, 468 Magee Street, Southampton, New York, on July 18, 2006, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) and the polls shall remain open until 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) or as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters then present to cast their votes.

Section 2. The vote upon the Proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters shall be by paper ballot and the Fire District Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to prepare said paper ballots to be used in voting.

Section 3. The Fire District Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of said Special Election by causing a Notice in substantially the form set forth in Section 5 hereof to be published at least once, not less than twenty-seven (27) days nor more than thirty-four (34) days prior to the date of such Election, in "**The Southampton Press – Eastern Edition**," a newspaper having a general circulation within the Fire District and hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Fire District for such publication.

Section 4. The following resident Fire District electors who are registered voters of the Fire District are hereby appointed to act as Chairman, Inspectors of Election and Ballot Clerks at the Special Election:

Stanley Yastrzemski	Chairman
Wanda Azmoodeh	Inspectors of Election
Mary Alice Halsey	and
Daniel McKeever	Ballot Clerks
Joseph Tyborowski	

Section 5. Said Notice shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

**SOUTHAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE
TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON,
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK**

JULY 18, 2006

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the resolution duly adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Southampton Fire District, in the Town of Southampton, Suffolk County, New York, on June 8, 2006, a Special Election of the qualified voters of said Fire District will be held at the Library of the Tuckahoe School, 468 Magee Street, Southampton, New York, on July 18, 2006, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) and the polls shall remain open until 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) or as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters then present to cast their votes upon the following Bond Proposition:

PROPOSITION

SHALL the bond resolution of the Southampton Fire District, in the Town of Southampton, New York, entitled: "Bond Resolution of the Southampton Fire District, in the Town of Southampton, New York, adopted May 11, 2006, authorizing the acquisition of a parcel of land, as the planned site of a Fire District facility; stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$2,500,000; appropriating said amount therefore, including the expenditure of \$800,000 in donated funds to pay a part of said appropriation; authorizing the issuance of \$1,700,000 serial bonds of said Fire District to finance the balance of said appropriation; stating that pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") it has been determined that such acquisition is an Unlisted Action and will not result in any significant adverse environmental impact and that a negative declaration has been adopted; determining that the period of probable usefulness of said specific object or purpose is 30 years; and providing for the levy of a tax to be collected to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds," BE APPROVED?

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

DATED: JUNE 8, 2006

BETTE-JEANNE HALSEY SCHREIER
FIRE DISTRICT SECRETARY

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Commissioner Steudte and duly to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Mr. Grisnik

NOES: Mr. Press
Mr. Price
Mr. Steudte
Mr. White
none

The resolution was declared adopted.

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Old Business

Sam Dimon asked questions regarding fire district tax rate and the land acquisition. A discussion followed.

A suggestion was made to ask the head of town court if community service could be involved in cleaning around the hydrants.

Treasurer Hadix stated that the Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen & Danowski, LLP accounting statement was received for the original amount contracted in 2004 (\$4000). Mr. Grisnik suggested that a letter be sent to the firm pointing out the shortcomings and delay of services.

A motion was made by Mr. Press and seconded by Mr. White to authorize the Treasurer to write the firm of Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen & Danowski, LLP regarding the delay in services rendered and requesting a review of the statement amount. The motion was passed by the following vote:

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

VS3-76

There being no further business to be brought before the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, a motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Price to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

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Chairman Press declared the meeting adjourned at 10:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin White
Acting Secretary