

HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

*Approved*  
*3-27-24*

*Peter L. Cross*

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>Thursday, February 8, 2024</b>
<b>Meeting Place:</b>	<b>95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601 and Zoom Meeting and Dial-in Number: 781-368-1701</b>

A quorum being duly present, Chairperson Cronin called the February 8, 2024 Hyannis Fire District Commissioner Regular Meeting to order at 7:02 PM

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Laura Cronin, Commissioners Peter Cross, Alex Mercado, Victor Skende, and Demetrius Atsalis

**ALSO PRESENT:** Chief Peter Burke, District Clerk Treasurer TK Menesale, Assistant Chief Mark Storie and HFD Recording Secretary Colleen Murphy

**I. OPEN SESSION:**

**1. MINUTES:**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to accept the meeting minutes from December 14, 2023 as amended

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

- Chairperson Cronin: Aye
- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Atsalis: Aye
- Commissioner Mercado: Aye

**2. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Chairperson Cronin said we received one letter dated January 26, 2024 from Mr. Gallagher; Mr. Gallagher requested the Minutes from the December 14, 2023 and the January 11, 2024 meetings; Chairperson Cronin stated as soon as these minutes are approved, we will post them and notify Mr. Gallagher that these minutes are posted

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None

**4. STREET LIGHTS:**

- Commissioner Atsalis sent a note to Angell Road requestors to let them know the HFD will not be putting up the light

**5. OLD BUSINESS:**

**a. Elections and Annual Meeting Timeline and Targets**

- Chairperson Cronin stated she wants to keep this item on the agenda to make sure that the timeline and targets are on are time and within budget

- Commissioner Cross said that the moderator position still needs to be filled

- The Moderator position is open this year; it is a 3-year position; if no moderator is not available then a moderator will be asked from the floor at the Annual Meeting

**b. Negotiations:**

- Commissioner Cross said he has met with the Union; Commissioner Skende stated they have a meeting with the Union again next Monday at 1 PM

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

- None

**7. BUILDING REPORT:**

- Chief Burke said the electrician was at the fire house to install the 240 volts for the dishwasher

**7. BUILDING REPORT (Continued):**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve to exceed not more than \$2500.00 for the purposed to putting in the electrical work for the dishwasher

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

Chairperson Cronin: Aye  
Commissioner Cross: Aye  
Commissioner Skende: Aye  
Commissioner Atsalis: Aye  
Commissioner Mercado: Aye

**8. ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR**

- None

**9. CHIEF'S REPORT**

- Chief Burke stated they have been working on the Union proposals which has been demanding a lot of time as these items are intricate
- Chief Burke has a draft budget for FY2025, FY2026 and FY2027; these draft budgets are not ready to be handed out yet
- Citizens Academy will be at the fire house next ~~Tuesday~~ <sup>Thursday</sup> night
- These PowerPoint presentations detail the training the FFs do and the many different types of work that the HFD does for the citizens of this community; basically, this outreach event helps the HFD to highlight and illuminate the ongoing and extensive efforts of the HFD to provide emergency services to its citizens
- Commissioner Skende asked Chief Burke about the status on the solar panel project
- Chief Burke said they are waiting on the final contract for the solar panel installation
- Chief Burke stated there is nothing new to report on the boats although the boat work is continuing to progress and the boat work is currently on time

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None

Vote on Adjournment of public session:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to Adjourn the public session

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

Chairperson Cronin: Aye  
Commissioner Cross: Aye  
Commissioner Skende: Aye  
Commissioner Atsalis: Aye  
Commissioner Mercado: Aye

Adjourned at 7:24 PM  
Respectfully submitted,  
Colleen Murphy, HFD Recording Secretary

**MEETING AGENDA**  
**HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
NOTICE OF MEETING IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(b)  
Laura Cronin- Chair

**DATE OF MEETING:** February 8, 2024  
**TIME:** 7:00 PM  
**PLACE:** 95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601

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**REMOTE PARTICIPATION:**

On **February 8, 2024**, a meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be conducted at the HYANNIS FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. Real-time Public comment can be addressed to the Board utilizing the Zoom link or telephone number and access code listed below:

Link: Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/8068284804>  
Meeting ID: 806 828 4804  
For Public Comment Dial: 1-305-224-1968  
Password: Hyannis1!

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**AGENDA & CALL TO ORDER:**

**I. OPEN SESSION**

1. Minutes
2. Correspondence
3. Public Comment
4. Street Lights
  - a. Follow up
5. Old Business
  - a. Elections and Annual Meeting Timeline and Targets
  - b. Negotiations
6. New Business
7. Building Report
  - a. Dishwasher Electrical
8. Items not reasonably anticipated by Chair
9. Chiefs Report
10. Public Comment

**II. POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ADJOURN**

The Chair reserves the right to call items on the agenda out of order. Items are listed in their approximate order, and items may be reached earlier or later than the posted order. Items listed for executive session may also be discussed in open session. The listing of items contains those items reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Persons interested are advised that in the event that any matter taken up at the meeting that remains unfinished at the close of the meeting may be put off to a continued session of the meeting, in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.