

HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

Date of Meeting:	Thursday, June 13, 2024
Meeting Place:	95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601 and Zoom Meeting and Dial-in Number: 781-368-1701

A quorum being duly present, Chairperson Cronin called the June 13, 2024 Hyannis Fire District Commissioner Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 PM

*approved
as amended
RCM
10/19/24*

PRESENT: Commissioners Peter Cross, Alex Mercado, Demetrius Atsalis and Victor Skende

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

ABSENT: Chairperson Laura Cronin

I. OPEN SESSION:

1. MINUTES:

- The May 09, 2024 minutes will be voted on in a future meeting

2. CORRESPONDENCE:

- None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

4. STREETLIGHTS:

- None

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- None

6. NEW BUSINESS:

6a. Succession Planning:

- Assistant Chief Storie said regarding the deputy's exam, all 3 examinees passed, and all scored well on it; he is proposing that Gregory Dardia be promoted to Assistant Chief when he retires
- The Training Captain position is open - *3 applicants*
- There are 72 applicants; *FOUR* we are interviewing 24 people Monday (06/24) and Tuesday (06/25) the ad for this open position will be posted in the paper

6b. Gift of Funds Release

- The movable monument for 9/11, it was requested we provide \$15k funds towards this monument, these requested funds will be replaced by donations raised for the memorial; this movable monument benefits veterans and first responders from 9/11
- Presently, we have \$38k in the Gift of Funds
- This memorial will be here July 27 and July 28

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the release of \$15k funds for the movable monument which will be fully reimbursed by donations:

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

Commissioner Cross: Aye

Commissioner Skende: Aye

Commission Atsalis: Aye

Commissioner Mercado: Aye

NEW BUSINESS continued:

6c. Insurance Presentation:

- The insurance policy must be approved by July 1, 2024
- Chief Burke said, he and District Clerk Treasurer Menesale can review the insurance policy and if there are any issues then he will reach out to the board; the insurance policy needs to fall within HFD's budgetary constraints
- The board discussed the insurance policy and the amount allotted for the insurance policy in the budget
- Commercial auto is going up so auto claims have gone up in all industries, this factor could increase some of the deductibles; the items concerning injured on duty, workers comp, and cyber all are up \$221,602 currently
- The overall increase is \$12,400 due to the increasing deductibles which will save in the overall cost by saving
- The board discussed the increasing deductibles; the representative from Dowling and O'Neil further detailed the impact of possible bad actors on cybersecurity
- The deductibles are \$3000; District Clerk Treasurer Menesale will email Dowling and O'Neil's representative with the commissioners' answer

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to accept the increase of the auto deductible from \$1000 to \$3000:

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commission Atsalis: Aye
- Commissioner Mercado: Aye

- The board moved the final vote on the insurance policy acceptance in order to get final exact budget figure for June 27, 2024 meeting

7. BUILDING REPORT:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve to send a letter to Allen Giles from Select Energy to suspend further discussion until further notice:

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commission Atsalis: Aye
- Commissioner Mercado: Aye

8. ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR

- Commissioner Atsalis said there is final language for the embarkation fee
- The embarkation fee is 62.5% Barnstable, 25% HFD, 12.5% Yarmouth
- This item will be voted on in the next few months and then this contract will go to the Governor of Massachusetts for her approval

9. CHIEF'S REPORT

- FF Tim Booth will be joining the COMM Fire District to be a Fire Prevention Officer
- Marine 2 is in the water and is running; limited work is needed to be completed before this boat can be in service
- The FF Professional Development Series finished up; this series was an excellent course; the hope is to continue this course in the future

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:

Commissioner Cross: Aye

Commissioner Skende: Aye

Commissioner Mercado: Aye

Commissioner Atsalis: Aye

Adjourned at 8:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Murphy, HFD Recording Secretary

MEETING AGENDA- AMENDED
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: Thursday, June 13, 2024
TIME: 7:00 PM
PLACE: 95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601

REMOTE PARTICIPATION:

On **June 13, 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/5042956607>
Meeting ID: 504 295 6607
For Public Comment Dial: 1-305-224-1968
Password: Hyannis1!

AGENDA & CALL TO ORDER:

I. OPEN SESSION

1. Minutes
2. Correspondence
3. Public Comment
4. Street Lights
5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - a. Succession Planning
 - b. Gift of Funds Release
 - c. Insurance Presentation
7. Building Report
8. Items not reasonably anticipated by Chair
9. Chiefs Report
10. Public Comment

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.