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LEGISLATIVE/FINANCIAL/CHIEFS MEETING
August 25th 2026

Meeting called to order at 1800 hours with roll call of officers. Present were Chairman Strong, Vice Chairman Staufer, Commissioner Gallino, Commissioner Buchner, Commissioner Handel, DM Lattman, and Treasurer Donegan.
Next meeting will be September 22nd, 2026
Acceptance of minutes from July 28th 2026 meeting motion made by Comm Staufer, 2nd by Comm Gallino, all in favor.

Treasurer Donegan presented the 2nd draft of the 2027 budget.
Treasurer Donegan presented the treasurer's report. Motion made by Comm Buchner to accept treasurer's report, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Buchner to accept the treasurer's warrant, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.
Motion to pay all bills by Comm Buchner, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.

Motion made by Comm Handel to approve the 2025 final audit report from Cullen and Danowski, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

Chief Martin, Assistant Chiefs Bernier and Freund, and guest Tom Logan entered the meeting at 1852 hours. Treasurer Donegan left the meeting.

CHIEFS REPORT

30 presented the personnel report. Motion made by Comm Staufer to accept personal leave request from Meghan Thrash beginning 7/9/26, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor. Motion made by Comm Staufer to accept personal leave request from George Macchio beginning 8/1/26, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Presented a request for an emergency gear bag and marine fire extinguisher for 26b from Amazon totaling $175.74. Motion made by Comm Staufer to accept, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Discussed the expired bottles and requested replacement. There is a total of 84 expired bottles. Quote from MES for 25 bottles totaling $49,270.25. BOFC decided to purchase 12. Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase 12 Scott bottles from MES totaling $23,265.72. 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Motion to surplus 84 expired bottles made by Comm Strong, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Discussed the E-15 accident.
The 9/11 ceremony will be 7pm on 9/11 at the memorial site.
There is a fall festival on Broadway on 9/12. Broadway will be closed 11a-4p. Requested a table for the department and to bring a truck. BOFC ok'd.
Provided dates requested by Rocky Point School District for ambulance standbys at Homecoming and football games. BOFC ok'd for a volunteer standby crew if available.
Asked if the board would consider cross training paid staff for various things relating to red alert, new membership equipment, percentages. BOFC discussed.
Discussed district employee parking issues at Co. 3.

ASST CHIEFS REPORT

31 in contact with vendor for 26. Discussing height and weight concerns. On track for end of year delivery.
Discussed with the board the need for a new boat mover.
Discussed possible 18 replacement
Asked for permission to research a new trailer for 26b. BOFC ok'd.
Drone class was successful. Asked if the drone could be returned to the chiefs now that there has been training. BOFC ok'd. Asked board for permission to take the drone to Yaphank training. BOFC ok'd. Chiefs to discuss with field officer at Yaphank and complete necessary paperwork involved.
SWR school is interested in donating tables and student desks to the department. Currently we do not have a need for this and do not have storage. Chiefs to contact school to notify.

Chiefs discussed poor radio reception in multiple areas. Suggested to test FRES ops 3 in those areas.

30 requested executive session to discuss personnel. Motion made by Comm Strong to enter executive session at 1948 hours, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Strong to exit executive session at 2007 hours, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

A motion was made by Comm Strong to uphold suspension of member Joseph Guido for 30 days from the department, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

COMMISSIONERS TO CHIEFS

Comm Staufer- Presented quotes for bunker gear.

1. MES- $4,515.59 per set, $81,280.62 for 18 sets.
2. Hi Tech- $3,613.97 per set, $ 65,051.46 for 18 sets.
3. Emergency Responder Products- $3,304.97 per set, $ 59,489.46 for 18 sets.

Motion made by Comm Staufer to purchase 18 sets of bunker gear for $59,489.46 from Emergency Responder Products, 2nd by Comm Handel, all in favor.

Comm Handel-

Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase a strap and waist support kit for the drone, and an additional drone battery, totaling $302.10, from DSLR Pros. 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase a white PVC sheet for drone landing pad from Home Depot at a price of $136.00, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase Sylvox outdoor tv with mount and soundbar included for Co. 1 at a price of $2,247.00, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase polywood bar height patio chairs from Uline for Co.1 QTY 10 for a total price of $2,700.00 2nd by Comm Staufer all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase polywood seating set from Uline for Co. 1 for a price of $2,745.00. 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase polywood Adirondack chairs from Uline for Co. 1 QTY 2 for a total price of $570.00, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Handel to purchase (10) 72in folding tables from Uline for a total price of $2,900.00, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.

DM TO CHIEFS

Pump testing is scheduled for 10/20 7a start

Blitzfire nozzles approved last meeting are placed on order but are 8 weeks out for delivery
The recruitment website changes are live. Prospective volunteer members can now fill out the entire application online on the website.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Comm Staufer-

Motion to purchase needed medical supplies from Bound Tree for a total price of $3,014.83. 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

Motion to purchase needed medical supplies from Hammer Medical for a total price of $4,147.35, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

Motion to purchase CYANO kits for the 80 vehicles from Hammer Medical for a total price of $3,151.90, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

A member from Mattituck FD who is a paramedic student is looking to perform her ride time at Rocky Point. Provided letter and certificate of insurance needed. BOFC ok'd.

Motion made by Comm Staufer to offer 3 hours of overtime to employee Anthony Palmato to set up the computer associated with the Gaumard patient simulator, 2nd by Comm Handel, all in favor.

Will look into prices for electric cord reel needed for EMS bay.

Boot allowance policy is work in progress

Employee Handbook amendments are work in progress

Comm Buchner-

Motion made by Comm Buchner to approve purchase of a 2024 ambulance from L.I. Proliner to replace A-16 with a price not to exceed $365,000.00. 2nd by Comm Gallino, all in favor.

DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT

All member physicals are now up to date in Red Alert

The wood flooring currently at the church basement has been posted again on Auctions International for bidding

NDI increased their prices for 2027. DM provided 2026 and 2027 price lists to the board for comparison

The spare chief car posted for sale on Garage has been sold for $13,500 and was shipped out of the district on 8/19.

The CO sensor for the garage doors at Co. 2 has been repaired. Rob installed a new control panel.

The bay door in front of A-16 at Co. 2 has been repaired.

An update meeting with the state auditors will be held tomorrow morning 8/26 with DM, Treasurer Donegan, and Chairman Strong.

In contact with vendor for EMS bay flooring. The tiles are ripping up which is a tripping hazard and allowing water to get underneath. A tech should be here Friday morning to repair.

A-10 was in a minor accident involving damage to a resident's garage gutter. BOFC suggested Rob to assess damage. Rob is on vacation until 8/31. DM spoke with homeowner. He is understanding and will wait until then.

Gerard researched the value of the spare responder car. It is estimated to be valued between $21,000-$23,000. BOFC advised DM to post for sale on a blast fax through FRES.
Kessel provided an estimate for labor for the damage of E-15. The estimate was $7,400 for the labor. He cannot give a full estimate yet as he is waiting on Pierce to provide pricing for materials.

ROOM REQUESTS

1. Lattman- Co. 2 picnic area- 9/26/26- Company picnic. Motion to approve made by Comm Strong, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
2. Handel- Co. 3- 10/2/26- Benevolent meeting. Motion to approve made by Comm Strong, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
3. Delia- Co.2- 11/7/26- Birthday. Motion to approve pending TIPS bartender made by Comm Strong, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
4. Lattman- Co. 2- 12/5/26- Birthday. Motion to approve made by Comm Strong, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.
5. Grempel- Co. 3- 12/26/26- Wedding party. Motion to accept pending Co. 3 Captain approval made by Comm Strong, 2nd by Comm Buchner, all in favor.

Motion made by Comm Strong to enter executive session at 2056 hours, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.
Motion made by Comm Strong to exit executive session at 2113 hours, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.

Motion made by Comm Staufer to offer the Maintenance Mechanic 1 position to the next candidate, 2nd by Comm Strong, all-in favor.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Comm Gallino at 2115 hours, 2nd by Comm Staufer, all in favor.

Prepared and submitted by:

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