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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
THOMASTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
MEETING MINUTES – January 2, 2024

The annual meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was held January 2, 2024 at the Firehouse.

In attendance were: Cmsr. Tim Quinn Cmsr. Bob Norton Jr
 Cmsr. Jerry Scully Cmsr Hank McGee
 Cmsr Allan Olivero Cmsr JP Oldham
 Chief Glenn Clark
 2nd Asst Chief John Albrecht

1: The meeting was called to order at 18:04 hours by Chairman Quinn.

2: Election of Commission Chairman:

Meeting was turned over to secretary Oldham to open nominations for Commission Chairman. One nomination was received and a motion was made by Jerry Scully, seconded by Hank McGee to elect Chairman Quinn for board chairman for 2024. Motion Passed and meeting was turned over to Chairman Quinn.

3: Appointment of Commission Secretary:

Motion was made by Bob Norton, seconded by Allan Olivero to appoint JP Oldham as Commission Secretary. Motion Passed

4: Fire Marshal's Report:

Fire Marshal Bob Norton, Sr. went over his monthly report. Some discussion was held.

23 calls for December, MVA with extraction on Rt8, 4 storm related calls

338 total calls for 2023

Discussion was held on Deputy fire marshals' hours.

5-6: Appointment of Fire Chief and assistant chiefs:

One nomination was received for **Chief of Department** and a motion was made by Bob Norton Jr, seconded by Hank McGee to continue support of Chief Glen Clark in the position of Chief of Department. Motion passed.

One nomination was received for **Assistant Chief of Department** and a motion was made by Hank McGee, seconded by Allan Olivero to continue the support of 2nd Assistant Chief John Albrecht in the position of Assistant Chief of Department. Motion passed

The board decided not to fill the third chiefs' position at this time.

7: Reading / approval of minutes of previous meeting:

Motion made by Hank McGee seconded by Tim Quinn to dispense with the reading of the December minutes and approve them as presented, Motion passed

8: Bills and communications:

- Secretary Oldham went over the bills \$17,753 in bills for December, with some bills still outstanding. Notable expense of \$9,891 for T1 service
- Letter was sent to the Police Commission regarding communication issues at dispatch and radio concerns. The current system needs fixing.
- Board will write another letter to police commission as we have not heard anything regarding our concerns.
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9: Report of Chiefs:

- Chief will set up a meeting with an area dispatch center to come in and see what they have to offer.
- 3 FF passed Fire 1
- 9935 feet of hose has been tested. A couple lengths failed and will be replaced.
- Per call comp for Dec \$3390
- Chiefs will lock out the foam tank on E5
- Check came in for \$25,000 for the sale of E10, check is uptown in a special account for FD.

- Discussion on air compressor replacement
- Motion made by Allan Olivero, seconded by Bob Norton Jr to have the chief get the needed materials to finish the gear storage area. Motion passed

10: Report of Secretary

- as noted in packet

11: Report of Special Committees

None

12: Old Business:

Discussion was held on the status of the Tanker.

13: New Business

none

14: Report of Commissioners

None

15. Other Business

None

16. Executive Session

Motion by Jerry Scully, seconded by Hank McGee to go into executive session. Motion passed. Board went into executive session at 19:18 with only Board members and Chiefs regarding personnel matters. Board returned to meeting at 19:33

17. Adjournment: There being no further business, motion made by JP Oldham, seconded by Tim Quinn and passed to adjourn the meeting at 19:34 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon-Paul Oldham / Commission Secretary