

# LAGRANGE FIRE DISTRICT

504 Freedom Plains Rd • Poughkeepsie, NY 12603



# MINUTES BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS Special Meeting – Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

ATTENDEES: Chairman Marc Komorsky

Commissioner Richard Sassi

Commissioner Barry Ward (absent)

Deputy Chief Anthony Champion

Secretary Bria Le

Commissioner George Burns (via Teams)

Commissioner Anthony Pignataro (via Teams)

Chief Tim O'Connor

EMS Administrator Michael Benenati

At 7:00 pm Chairman Marc Komorsky called the Board of Fire Commissioners' Special Meeting to order for Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He introduced the Fire Commissioners and the Chief staff and expressed his appreciation for everyone attending the meeting.

## **APPOINTMENTS & SWEARING IN:**

- **Fire Lieutenant Promotions** Fire Chief Tim O'Connor welcomed everyone and reviewed the procedures for the appointments.
  - Joseph Kile -

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Pignataro and SECONDED by Commissioner Burns, the Board RESOLVED to accept Joe Kile as Fire Lieutenant. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Secretary Le administered the Fire Lieutenant Oath of Office to newly appointed Lt. Kile.

- Scott Merritt -

Upon a MOTION made by Komorsky and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to promote Scott Merrit to the rank of Fire Lieutenant. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Fire Lieutenant Oath of Office to newly appointed Lt. Merritt.

- Nathaniel Herring-Trott

Upon a MOTION made by Pignataro and SECONDED by Commissioner Sassi, the Board RESOLVED to promote Nate Herring-Trott to Fire Lieutenant. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Fire Lieutenant Oath of Office to newly appointed Lt. Herring-Trott.

- Paramedic Certification Chief O'Connor recognized Lt. Jason Ryan for completing the paramedic program that began in the summer of 2021 and lasted through December 2022 and presented him with his paramedic patch.
- **Fire/Paramedic Hires** Chief O'Connor noted that the hiring of these six individuals is due to the Safer grant that was awarded to the District.

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#### Daniel Carr -

Upon a MOTION made by Komorsky and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to hire Daniel Carr for the position of Firefighter/Paramedic for the LaGrange Fire District. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Oath of Allegiance to newly appointed Firefighter/Paramedic Daniel Carr.

#### - Daniel Rivera -

Upon a MOTION made by Pignataro and SECONDED by Sassi, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Daniel Rivera to Firefighter/Paramedic for the LaGrange Fire District. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Oath of Allegiance to newly appointed Firefighter/Paramedic Daniel Rivera.

# - Raymond Mayone -

Upon a MOTION made by Komorsky and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Ray Mayone to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic for Lagrange Fire District. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Oath of Allegiance to newly appointed Firefighter/Paramedic Raymond Mayone.

#### Matthew Bourne -

Upon a MOTION made by Komorsky and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Matthew Bourne to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic for the LaGrange Fire District. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Oath of Allegiance to newly appointed Firefighter/Paramedic Matthew Bourne.

#### - Jacob Rand -

Upon a MOTION made by Komorsky and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Jacob Rand to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic for the LaGrange Fire District. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Oath of Allegiance to newly appointed Firefighter/Paramedic Jacob Rand.

# - Tyler Edgar -

Upon a MOTION made by Komorsky and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Tyler Edgar to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic for the LaGrange Fire District. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Le administered the Oath of Allegiance to newly appointed Firefighter/Paramedic Tyler Edgar.

Komorsky, on behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioner, congratulated the six new hires as well as their family and friends. Sassi also expressed his congratulations to everyone and noted that Lt. Ryan, while he was in paramedic school, was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and took on the added duties associated with that promotion. Sassi welcomed the newly appointed Lieutenants to the supervisory ranks and wished them luck with the new positions. He also welcomed the new Firefighter/Paramedics and recognized the hard work they have done to put themselves in the position to be hired.

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# **ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:29 pm, upon a MOTION made by Sassi and SECONDED by Pignataro, the Board RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting. Burns – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried**.

Respectfully submitted,

Bria Le — District Secretary

Approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 2/6/23