

**Highland Fire District
Board of Fire Commissioners
SPECIAL Meeting
October 17, 2023
7:14 PM – St #1**

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(PRESENT)
	Kevin Rizzo	(PRESENT)
	PJ Roloson	(ABSENT)
Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Secretary	Leslie B. Benson	(PRESENT)
Chief	Peter D. Miller	(PRESENT)

1. Adoption of the 2024 Proposed Budget

Motion: Commissioner Barone moved to adopt the 2024 Proposed Budget for the Highland Fire District as presented at the 2024 Proposed Budget Hearing, consisting of an operating budget of \$1,331,060.00 with \$1,236,260.00 to be raised by real property taxes thereby yielding a 1.95% increase and a \$1.1475 rate per thousand of assessed valuation, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

RESOLUTION: APPROVE FINAL BUDGET FOR 2024 WITHIN REAL PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Highland Fire District must adopt a proposed budget for 2024 and estimate of fund balances in preparation for the annual fire district budget hearing and did so in preparation for the budget hearing, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Highland Fire District held the annual fire district budget hearing on notice to the public on October 17, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the proposed budget and comments received on the proposed budget on October 17, 2023 at said budget hearing, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby approves the Final Budget for the Highland Fire District for 2024 attached hereto and made a part hereof in the amount of \$1,236,260.00.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Chairman DiLorenzo	AYES
Commissioner Erichsen	AYES
Commissioner Barone	AYES

Commissioner Rizzo AYES

Commissioner Roloson ABSENT

The resolution was thereupon duly declared to have been adopted.

Dated: Highland, New York

October 17, 2023

2. **Committee Reports:**

Building & Grounds St #1 - Commissioners Barone & Roloson

United Air Conditioning, Refrigeration – Revised Proposals for St 1 & St 2, totaling approximately \$6000 for maintenance. We will obtain a second estimate.

Commissioner Erichsen will take care of St #2. We will get second proposals by November's meeting. Maintenance would be two times a year, before heating / cooling seasons. We could do by the hour or by contract.

The Police station maintenance is separate.

Building & Grounds St #2 - Commissioners Erichsen & Rizzo

A&R Security – Install will happen on Wednesday, October 18, 2023. We submitted a claim and received \$6995 for the damaged equipment.

3. **Treasurer:**

Jim will send out RFP's and request they be returned by 12/12/2023 meeting.

4. **Public Comment:** None

5. **Adjournment:**

Motion: There being no further business, Commissioner Kevin Rizzo moved to adjourn at 7:20PM, seconded by Commissioner Alan Barone.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent (Commissioner PJ Roloson)

Respectfully submitted,



Leslie B. Benson, District Secretary

APPROVED BOFC 11/14/23