

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION
MILLWOOD FIRE DISTRICT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Election of the Millwood Fire District will take place on December 10, 2024, between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. at the firehouse known as Station #1 located at 100 Millwood Road, Millwood, New York for the following purpose:

To elect one (1) Fire District Commissioner for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2029.

To vote upon the following proposition:

“BOARD RESOLUTION OF THE MILLWOOD FIRE DISTRICT (“FIRE DISTRICT”) IN THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JUNE 24, 2024, AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025, OF THAT CERTAIN BOARD RESOLUTION WHICH ESTABLISHED A DEFINED BENEFIT SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM FOR THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS OF THE MILLWOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT.

IF APPROVED, THE AMENDMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025, WILL:

- RETAIN THE ENTITLEMENT AGE OF SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS.
- AUTHORIZE THE CREDITING OF NONFOREITABLE SERVICE CREDIT TO QUALIFIED FIREFIGHTERS OF MILLWOOD FIRE COMPANY WHO HAVE COMPLETED FIVE (5) YEARS OF SERVICE UNDER THE PROGRAM.
- RETAIN THE MONTHLY SERVICE AWARD PAYMENT BEGINNING AT ENTITLEMENT AT THIRTY DOLLARS (\$30.00) FOR EACH YEAR OF QUALIFIED SERVICE UNDER THE PLAN.
- INCREASE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SERVICE YEARS THAT CAN BE EARNED BY A VOLUNTEER UNDER THE PROGRAM FROM FORTY (40) YEARS TO FIFTY (50) YEARS AND THE MAXIMUM MONTHLY BENEFIT WILL INCREASE FROM ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,200.00) TO ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025.
- ALLOW THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE FIRE DISTRICT TO AMEND, REVISE OR OTHERWISE CHANGE THE POINT SYSTEM, PROSPECTIVELY ONLY, UNDER WHICH A YEAR OF SERVICE CREDIT IS EARNED.
- INCREASE THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF THE SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM FROM ONE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$142,000.00) TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000.00) WHICH INCLUDES AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEE OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00), BASED ON THE EXISTING NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTERS.

• STATING THAT THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL PER PARTICIPANT COST WILL BE ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$1,744.00), BASED ON THE EXISTING NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTERS.

FURTHER, THE BOARD RESOLUTION OF JUNE 24, 2024, APPROPRIATES SAID AMOUNTS THEREFORE, STATES THAT ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM, AS AMENDED, WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT. STATES THAT THE SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM WILL CONTINUE TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE MILLWOOD FIRE DISTRICT, STATES THAT DEATH AND DISABILITY PAYMENTS ARE AUTHORIZED TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2025, AND REGULAR DEFINED BENEFIT AWARD PAYMENTS ARE AUTHORIZED TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2025; AND STATES THAT THE FAILURE OF THE AMENDMENT TO BE APPROVED BY THE VOTERS OF THE FIRE DISTRICT WILL IN NO WAY AFFECT THE PROVISIONS OF THE SERVICEAWARD PROGRAM PRESENTLY IN EFFECT.” BE APPROVED?

All residents of the Millwood Fire District, who are duly registered to vote with the Westchester County Board of Elections on or before November 18, 2024, shall be entitled to vote at this election.

Any person desiring to have his or her name appear on the ballot for the above office must have filed a written request with the Secretary of the Fire District not later than November 20, 2024.

JOSEPH McCONNELL
SECRETARY
MILLWOOD FIRE DISTRICT
Secretary@Millwoodfire.org