

The Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire District No. 1

Regular Monthly Meeting

August 10, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of The Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, in the Township of South Brunswick, was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Members present: Commissioners Olson, Orchard, Rosenberg and Tarnowski.

Members absent: Commissioner Behrend

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address From the Public: none

Approval of July 13th Regular Meeting Minutes: Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to accept the minutes and written and Mr. Olson seconded it. A vote was taken and passed.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez reported the following:

- The headphone system is working well and members like it.
- “I Am Responding” software was renewed and is appreciated by the Company.
- The Company is close to an agreement with the Township as to using its mapping software. It includes an overlay of all the hydrants in the town. A demo will be held at this week’s Chiefs’ meeting.
- Mr. Laird will be at the Chiefs’ meeting to discuss the Fire Prevention Bureau’s HazMat duties.
- Statistics (file copy attached)

Year-to-Date: 195 activities, 145 fire calls, 25 training events and 23 work details.

July: 25 activities, 20 fire calls, 2 training drills and 3 work details.

Also participated in the July 4th Fireworks and the National Night Out.

President – It was reported that one member had surgery and is doing well. Also, a number of juniors have joined the Fire Company.

Treasurer – Mr. Rosenberg presented the Report (file copy attached). He noted that Auditing Services are slightly over budget. In addition, Legal Services and Legal Advertising are getting close to budget.

Secretary - nothing to report.

Fire Coordinator – Mr. Corris distributed his report (file copy attached). He suggested that the Expedition be given to the Township, either for parts (they already have three) or they could repair it. He noted it would be a cost benefit to the District, as no more money would need to be spent to get rid of it. The Board discussed this issue and decided it would be a good idea. The Township has already indicated their willingness to accept the vehicle. A Hold Harmless Letter will need to be done. Mr. Orchard will direct Mr. Braslow to prepare the letter.

Mr. Corris also reported that Truck 227 has rust on the driver's side door, which needs to be repaired, since it is not scheduled for replacement at this time. Two estimates were obtained:

1. A "door skin" could be done for \$1,062.78 or,
2. The rust could be grinded, the area prepped, painted and sealed for \$661.

This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Chairman – Mr. Orchard had nothing to report.

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison – no report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – no report.

Public Relations – Work must begin on the Fall/Winter Newsletter. Topics to be included will be Fire Prevention Week, the Open House and Santacade. Mr. Corris will contact Wolfcat Productions about this.

State Association – The next meeting will be in September at the Wildwood Convention.

Joint Board – The next meeting is August 19th.

Insurance – There will be one more insurance vendor presentation at next month's meeting.

Station 23 – nothing to discuss.

Unfinished Business:

Physicals – No bills have been received, even though most of the membership has completed them. This item will be removed from the agenda.

Rescue Truck – a work in progress.

New Business: Mr. Rosenberg reported that Moody's Investment Rating Service would like a conference call with himself and Mr. Corris. Mr. Rosenberg reviewed the questions they need answers for and noted that there are some he cannot answer. He will talk to the representative to gain more incite and if necessary, the Auditor and Mr. Braslow may need to be involved.

Voucher List: Mr. Olson made a motion to accept the List as presented and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed.

Executive Session: none

Address From the Public: none

Adjournment: There was no further business to discuss, therefore Mr. Rosenberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Olson seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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