

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

April 9, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, in the Township of South Brunswick, was called to order by Chairman William Orchard, at 6:34 p.m. by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

**Roll Call:**

Members present: Commissioners Behrend, Olson, Orchard, Rosenberg & Tarnowski

Members absent: none

**Flag Salute:** completed

**Agenda Changes:** none

**Address from the Public:** none

**Approval of March 21 Reorganization and Regular Minutes:** Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Behrend noted that in the Regular Meeting Minutes, under the Fire Coordinator report, the word “well” should have been “went”. He seconded the motion with the changed noted. A vote was taken and passed, with Commissioners Olson and Rosenberg abstaining, as they were not present on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Reports:**

Line Activities – Chief Perez presented the following:

- 13 Fire Calls for the month of March, with 2 drills and 2 work details. Year-to-date there have been 56 calls.
- There was a structure fire while the Chief was on vacation, but it was handled well.
- Four officers will be attending the Fire Department Instructors Conference in Indianapolis next week.

President – Mr. Corris reported that he will be away from 4/25 to 5/11.

Treasurer’s Report/ Voucher List – Mr. Rosenberg presented his report (file copy attached) and noted that the quarterly check had been received from the Township. Also, a check for \$38,112 will be cut for LOSAP for 24 people. Mr. Rosenberg stated that the Audit will need to be approve, however, he has not received the final copy. If required, a special meeting may be needed.

After review of the Voucher List, Mr. Olson made a motion to approve the List as presented and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed.

Secretary's Report – Mr. Olson had nothing to report.

Fire Coordinator - Mr. Perez reported the following:

1. The increase for the Cigna insurance would be about \$10,400; not \$5,200 as reported at last month's meeting. This increased amount results from having to pay two past quarters.
2. Truck 23 needs to have the Air Horn repaired and a washer fluid hose installed.. Also, the lights on Truck 222 need to be repaired.
3. The Rescue Truck is still an open issue.

Chairman – Mr. Orchard stated that a resolution must be presented regarding the LOSAP payment. Mr. Rosenberg moved Resolution 12/13-12 – Approving LOSAP payment to 24 people, at a cost of \$1,588 per person, for a total of \$38,112. Mr. Behrend seconded the resolution (file copy attached). A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Orchard-yes; Mr. Rosenberg-yes; Mr. Behrend-yes, Mr. Tarnowski-yes and Mr. Olson-yes. The resolution was unanimously approved.

Standing Committee Reports –

*Fire Company Liaison* – Mr. Behrend had nothing to report.

*Rescue Squad Liaison* – Mr. Tarnowski had nothing to report, however, Mr. Rosenberg stated that there was confusion at last week's fire in regards to getting the Rehab Truck there. It was asked for, however, it did not arrive on the scene. Mr. Rosenberg suggested that he and Mr. Tarnowski have a "sit down" with the Rescue Squad representative.

Mr. Perez stated that the Squad would like to house the Rescue Truck at Station 23; the Commissioners approved this move. In addition, they will park their ambulances behind Station 22, until their roof work is completed.

*Public Relations* – There will not be a Spring Newsletter. The money allotted will go to pay the increased insurance. The next Newsletter will be in the Fall.

*State Association* – There was no representation at the March meeting. The next meeting will be in June.

*Insurance* – previously discussed.

**Unfinished Business: Rescue Truck** - The Truck should be up and running very soon.

**New Business:** none

**Executive Session:** none

**Address from the Public:** none

**Adjournment:** As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Olson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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