

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

January 14, 2013

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 6:30 p.m. by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

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

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address from the Public: none

Approval of Minutes:

December 10, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes – Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Mr. Rosenberg seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed.

January 7, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes – Mr. Rosenberg made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Mr. Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed with one abstention.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez presented the following report:

- 2012 was a busy year: there were 259 total calls, 35 drills and 46 duty/work events.
- The report from ISO (Insurance Services Office) was received and Kendall Park Fire District No. 1 was rated as a Class 3, which is very good for a volunteer organization. It was noted that Class 1 is the best and Class 10 is the worse. This rating could translate to a rate decrease for the residents that District No. 1 serves. In addition, it showed that the monies are being utilized effectively, as the District's apparatus were scored very high. Also, the water supply and hydrant system scored very high, as did

dispatching. The Mayor and Township Council have already been informed of this rating and a press release will be put out to District 1's community. Everyone should be very proud of this accomplishment.

President – Mr. Corris reported that 2012 was a successful year: 12 members graduated from Firefighter No. 1 and several from Firefighter No. 1. The plan is to continue the trend and hopefully, improve on it. The Company will complete their settling into renovated Station 22.

Treasurer/Voucher List – Mr. Rosenberg read Resolution 13/14-1: Authorizing a Temporary Budget (file copy attached. Mr. Olson made a motion to approve the resolution and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Rosenberg-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes; Mr. Josephson-yes, Mr. Tarnowski-yes and Mr. Olson-yes. The resolution passed unanimously.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that one check was added to the Voucher List: \$192.17 to Marlin Business Bank as the District's share of the copier lease. After review of the rest of the Voucher List, Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to approve the List, with the addition and Mr. Olson seconded it. A vote was taken and passed.

Secretary – Mr. Olson reported that two members are up for re-election.

Fire Coordinator – Mr. Perez reported the following:

- Both headlights on the Assistant Chief's were replaced by Ford , probably caused by moisture.
- All meters were calibrated by an outside company and one needed to be repaired.
- Based on a Workman's Comp audit, a reimbursement of about \$10K was received for the last two years. Subsequently the Workman's Comp premium payment amounts to about \$14K for this year.
- Wells Fargo provided new documents for signature by Board members.
- The signed and certified budget was received from the State.
- The Website is almost ready to go, however, there is an issue with the domain name. It is currently used by another person, who has been contacted, but not responded. If there is no response within the next few days, Mr. Braslow will be contacted to draft a letter requesting the domain name be given to the District. If that fails, the name will have to be changed. The site will be ready by the 2/1 deadline.
- The hats the District purchased for the Fire Company members were well received.

Chairman – Mr. Orchard made sure all the Commissioners had received their invitation to the upcoming Installation Dinner.

Standing Committee Reports -

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations – Mr. Rosenberg reported that an invoice has not been received from Wolfcat.

State Association – no one attended the last meeting. Mr. Rosenberg will try to make the March meeting.

Insurance - previously discussed.

Unfinished Business:

Foam Trailer – Mr. Perez reported that this issue is still in the process.

Utility Truck – work has begun on the spec.

2013 Budget - everything is on track.

New Business: none

Executive Session: none

Address from the Public: none

Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Rosenberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Olson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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