

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

March 10, 2014

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 6:41 p.m. by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

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

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address from the Public: none

Approval of February Regular Meeting Minutes: Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Mr. Josephson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez reported the following:

- Stats for the month of February: 22 activities (16 fire calls, 1 drill, 5 work details (due to multiple snow storms). YTD: 39 fire calls, 3 drills and 8 work details for a total of 768 man-hours.
- There was a mutual-aid fire call in Brunswick Acres; everyone did a great job.
- Mike Gallagher, the County Fire Marshall, presented an opportunity for the Chief and one lieutenant to Texas A&M U. to attend its foam training program. The program runs from March 31st thru April 4th and is fully funded, except for a few meals (estimated cost savings about \$8,000).

President – One probationary member was read in, however, no other membership info.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – Mr. Rosenberg presented his report (file copy attached) and reported there is nothing to comment on. Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to approve the Report and Voucher List as presented and Mr. Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report – Mr. Olson reported that the Election was held and that Mr. Orchard was elected.

Fire Coordinator's Report – Mr. Perez reported the following:

1. The problem with Engine 221 was identified; the ignition coil and a bad switch were replaced.
2. The Brush Truck is due to be completed by March 31st.
3. The Audit was completed last week and everything seemed to go smoothly. It was noted that the Auditor will present his findings at a regular monthly meeting, once it is completed.
4. Estimates are being received for landscaping services. Currently, it costs \$4,700 for grass cutting and one spring clean up and one fall clean up. Fertilization and pest control is another \$1,075. In addition, maintenance of trees and shrubs is \$2,145. Two other estimates should arrive shortly. It was noted that the current landscaper does a very good job and is very responsive. This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Chairman - Mr. Orchard stated that all Commissioners must submitted their Financial Disclosure Foams to the Township Clerk.

Standing Committee Reports:

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations – The Budget and Election results are posted on the Website.

State Association – no one attended the meeting.

Insurance – nothing to report.

Unfinished Business: nothing

Unfinished Business: Mr. Rosenberg stated that the Fire Company Contract needs to be signed.

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 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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