

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

November 9, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, on 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 Berezansky, Josephson, Olson, Orchard and Tarnowski.

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: An Executive Session was added to the beginning of the meeting to discuss the 2016 Budget with the Auditor, who was present.

Executive Session: The Commissioners went into the Session at 6:31 p.m. to discuss the 2016 Budget. They came out at 6:45 p.m.

Address from the Public: none

Approval of October Special & Regular Meeting Minutes: Ms. Berezansky made a motion to accept both sets of minutes as presented and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez presented the following report:

- Stats: YTD – 234 fire calls, 29 training and 54 work details. Heading toward the busiest year, not storm related.
- Past week: two fires and one bomb scare.
- School visits are in progress and doing well. Should finish up in December.

President's Report – The computers have been ordered for the Radio Room and Office. Will take about three weeks to receive them.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – Ms. Berezansky presented the report and read into the file one resolution (file copies attached).

Resolution 15/16-12: Authorizing Budget Transfers Relative to 2015 Budget. Mr. Olson made a motion to approve the resolution and Mr. Josephson seconded it. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Olson-yes; Mr. Josephson-yes; Mr. Tarnowski-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes and Ms. Berezansky-yes. The resolution passed unanimously.

The Commissioners reviewed the Voucher List and then Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to accept the List as presented and Mr. Josephson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report – It was reported that two commissioners will be up for election for three-year terms.

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

- The compressor at Station 22 has been ordered and will be installed within the next 2 weeks.
- Per the Attorney, it is OK to give the one vehicle to the Rescue Squad, but there is paperwork that needs to be done. It was noted that the title will go to the Township, who in turn, will sign it over to the Rescue Squad.
- A letter was written to Fitness 19 and LOSAP to remove 5 people from the participation list. Appropriate monies should be returned by the end of the year.
- Mold remediation at Station 23 has been completed and the gear should be returned in the coming week. It was recommended that the ceiling fans be run, to avoid future problems.
- A company has been contracted to paint the Station 23 doors, which should take place sometime this week.
- The heating system at Station 23 is all set for winter. The A/C will be replaced before next year's warm weather.
- The old hose, at Station 23, needs to be removed and Mr. Perez is looking into finding someone/someplace to take it.

Chairman's Report – Mr. Orchard read Resolution 15/16-13: Authorizing Salary Increase Relative to Fire Coordinator, into the record (file copy attached). Ms. Berezansky made a motion to approve the resolution and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Josephson-yes; Mr. Olson-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes; Mr. Tarnowski-yes; and Ms. Berezansky-yes. The resolution was passed unanimously.

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison - nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations – the website is good.

State Association – the next meeting will be in Dec.

Insurance – everything is paid up.

Unfinished Business: Electronic Sign Board – still in progress

New Business: 2016 Budget – discussed in Executive Session

Address from the Public: A member of the Rescue Squad raised a question about the progress on the vent system. Per Mr. Perez, the situation is being worked on.

Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Olson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Berezansky seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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