

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

August 14, 2017

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 Berezansky, Josephson, Olson, Orchard and Tarnowski.

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address from the Public: none

Approval of July Regular Meeting Minutes: Mr. Olson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Cioffi presented the following report:

- Stats for July: 32 Total Events; 39.1 Event Hours; 451 Man-hours and 368 Firefighters.
- YTD Stats: 197 Total Events; 223 Event Hours; 3,061 Man-hours and 2,563 Firefighters
- There were a number of fires within the last week:
 - A shed fire, probably caused by a lightening strike. The shed was fully involved but the crew did a great job of getting it under control.
 - A structural house fire probably stated as an oven/stove fire and again crews did a great job. Within 7 minutes and engine was putting water on it. A Fast Attack kept the fire to the kitchen area. Kingston, Monmouth Junction, North Brunswick were also assisting, with Griggstown, as support.

- A structural town house fire required the Ladder Truck, to knock down the fire. Also the Company did some interior attacks on auxiliary fires occurring. Again, the crews did a great job; unfortunately, there as a fatality.
- Today there was a house structure fire which went to a 2nd alarm. The two-story house was pretty much fully involved. The Ladder and an engine responded to assist Monmouth Junction. Two additional calls came in, which Kendall Park also assisted with.
- There have been two live burns which have gone very well, with 30+ firefighters participating in.
- Seven more firefighters have graduated from Firefighting 1.
- Public Events have included a program at a local school, the Middlesex County Fire and the National Night Out. All were well received.

President's Report – Budget discussions will start this month.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – Ms. Berezansky presented the report (file copy attached) and reported that all bills have been paid. After a review of the vouchers, Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to approve the List, as presented; Mr. Josephson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

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

Fire Coordinator's Report – Chief Cioffi presented the report, as Mr. Perez was still out on a call.

- The new pick-up truck (replacing the Dodge) was received and the dealer did a great job installing the lighting package, wiring the radios and prepping for the snow plow. The lettering for the truck should be done shortly.
- Some pagers were repaired.
- Truck 228 had an issue with the air compressor. Absolute modified the system and it is now working and should not be an issue in the future.

Chairman's Report – Mr. Orchard had nothing to report.

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison - nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations – everything is good.

State Association – minutes were distributed from the last meeting

Insurance – everything is paid up.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: none

Executive Session: none

Address from the Public: none

Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss, Ms. Berezansky made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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