

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1
In the Township of South Brunswick
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 12, 2019

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, Luterzo, Olson and Orchard.

Members absent: Commissioner Berezansky

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address from the Public: none

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

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez presented the following report:

- Stats for July: 31 calls; 3 drills and 5 duties
- Stats YTD: 187 calls; 30 drills and 40 duties
- The Company attended a Cub Scout event at Beechwood Park, which was well received.
- Requests are coming in for Fire Prevention Week, including Home Depot and a couple of day care centers.
- A new day care center is being built near the Home Depot on Route 1, which including blasting that Chief Perez witnessed.
- He is working with the Fire Marshalls to reduce the number of false alarms at area group homes. Basically careless cooking is the cause. There are protocols that can be enforced to help alleviate this situation.

President's Report – Mr. Melchisky reported that the membership voted to reseal the driveway and restripe it.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – The Report was distributed and reviewed by the Commissioners (file copy attached). After the review, Mr. Olson made a motion to approve the Voucher List as presented and Mr. Josephson seconded it. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

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

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

1. There is a problem with the sprinkler system at Station 23; the air compressor is always running. Confires found a leak in a pipe which will be worked on this coming Wednesday.
2. All trucks have been serviced.
3. The Township has given the Company all new radios to replace the old ones, so that it can switch over to the new County system. 14 new portable radios were received and installed in the trucks last week. The switch over will probably be in the next 6 months.

Chairman's Report – Mr Orchard reported that the quarterly State Association minutes were received and he highlighted that there are concerns about the new Absentee Ballot Legislation. A lobbyist will be there to discuss concerns. Mr. Orchard will try to attend.

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations - Web site is OK.

State Association – just discussed.

Insurance – everything is fine.

Unfinished Business: none

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. Luterzo seconded it. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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