

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1
In the Township of South Brunswick
Regular Monthly Meeting
January 13, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, in the Township of South Brunswick, was called to order by Chairman William Orchard at 6:30 p.m., in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Members present: Commissioners Berezansky, Josephson, Luterzo, Orchard and Olson.

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Public Hearing on 2020 Budget: there were no comments.

Address from the Public: none

Approval of December Meeting Minutes: Ms. Berezansky 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 (file copy attached):

- Stats for December: 33 Total Events; 26.117 Total Event Hours; 313.15 Total Man Hours and 302 Total No. of Fire Fighters.
- 2019 Yearly Stats: 449 Total Events; 517.57 Total Event Hours; 5524.7 Total Man Hours and 4637 Total No. of Firefighters.

President's Report – The new President stated that the Fire Company is busy starting off the new year, including budget items.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – Ms. Berezansky presented the report (file copy attached) and reported that all bills for 2019 have been paid and the books have been closed. Commissioners' W2 Forms were distributed also. Ms. Berezansky stated that the 2019 Budget was \$144K under.

The Voucher List was reviewed and it was noted that the Chief's vehicle had to have repairs made, as an animal had done considerable damage to wiring. After review of

the List, Mr. Luterzo 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. The 2020 Budget was approved on the first submittal, which has never occurred in the past.
2. Work had begun on the Audit, which should be done in February.
3. A contract was signed to cover the cost of providing election/ballot materials and subsequent mailings. Mr. Orchard expressed his dissatisfaction with the whole process.

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

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison - There was a discussion of putting some sort of camera monitoring system at State 23, as there have been a number of incidents where rubbish has appeared on the grounds. Mr. Perez provided a solution, which the Board approved.

Public Relations – everything is fine.

State Association – Information was received that a number of bills will be coming before the Association, probably at the next meeting.

Insurance – All premiums are paid up.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: Adoption of 2020 Budget –

Mr. Perez reported that the 2020 Budget was approved by the State...

“Whereas, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Revenues of \$858,420, which includes amount to be raised by taxation of \$852,120 and Total Appropriations of \$858,420.”

Mr. Perez read into the record Resolution 20/21-2: 2020 Adopted Budget Resolution (file copy attached). After review, Ms. Berezansky made a motion to adopt the Budget and Mr. Josephson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Ms. Berezansky-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes; Mr. Luterzo-yes; Mr. Josephson-yes and Mr. Olson-yes. The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

Resolution 20/21-1: Adoption of Temporary Budget for 2020. The resolution was read into the record (file copy attached). After review, Mr. Olson made a motion to adopt the resolution and Mr. Josephson seconded it. A roll call vote was taken: Ms. Berezansky-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes; Mr. Luterzo-yes; Mr. Josephson-yes and Mr. Olson-yes. The Resolution was passed unanimously.

Executive Session: The Board went into Executive Session for a brief discussion and came out at 6:45 p.m.

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. Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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