

; The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

December 21, 2011

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 Vice Chairman Arthur Tarnowski, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Members present: Commissioners Olson, Rosenberg and Tarnowski

Members absent: Commissioners Behrend and Orchard

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: Mr. Rosenberg stated that the 2012 Budget would not be adopted this evening.

Address From the Public: none

Report from Mr. Laird: Mr. Laird was not present at the meeting.

Approval of 11/16 Regular Meeting Minutes and 11/2 Work Session: Mr. Rosenberg made a motion to accept both sets of minutes as presented and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez presented the following report:

- Year-to-date there have been 227 incidents. For November there were 19 calls, 4 duty nights and 3 training nights.
- Santacade was a success and positive feedback has been received.
- The Fire Company had a presence at the re-opening of the McDonald's at Sand Hill Road and the Mayor and some Council Members, were also in attendance. A \$250 donation was made to the Fire Company.
- The Rescue Truck trip was successful. There are some minor issues which will be taken care of. The Truck will be lettered in N.J. and gear put on it shortly. It will be housed at Station 22.

President – Mr. Scherer reported that elections were held. File copy of results are attached. In addition, Mr. Rosenberg became a Life Member and Mr. Murnicks resigned. Mr. Scherer thanked everyone for working with him the last four years.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – Mr. Rosenberg presented his report (file copy attached). He reported that the 2012 Budget could not be adopted this evening due to a number of issues raised by the State. Mr. Perez is working to provide the information requested. The public hearing on the Budget will be January 11th at 6:30 p.m. After the hearing, the Budget can be adopted.

Mr. Rosenberg moved Resolution 11/12 – 29, Authorizing Budget Transfers Relative to 2011 Budget (file copy attached). The resolution was seconded by Mr. Tarnowski. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Tarnowski-yes; Mr. Olson-yes, Mr. Rosenberg-yes, Mr. Orchard-absent and Mr. Behrend- absent. The resolution was approved.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that \$100K was transferred from the Wachovia Cash Management Fund to the check book, in order to handle the Rescue Truck payment.

Voucher List: Mr. Olson made a motion to accept the Voucher List as presented and Mr. Rosenberg seconded it. The List was approved.

Secretary – Mr. Olson had nothing to report.

Fire Coordinator – Mr. Perez presented the following:

- Station 23 has had the water system drained and the clock set for the winter. Repairs are needed in the bathroom and the Fire Safety Trailer is being stored at Station 23.
- More pre-plans and NFIRs have been entered.
- Fire Safety Classed have been completed.
- All physicals have been completed; waiting for the bill now.

Chairman – no report.

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations - Mr. Behrend was not present with a report.

State Association – The meeting was held in November, however, District No. 1 did not have a representative there. The next meeting will be in March.

Joint Board – Mr. Rosenberg stated that at the last meeting, it was decided to dissolve the Board. The Chairman will present a letter the Township Committee, stating that the three districts desire to dissolve the Joint Board. Mr. Orchard informed the Township Administrative of this decision.

Mr. Laird will attend one District meeting per year and will also be available via telephone, if necessary.

Insurance - Mr. Rosenberg reported that all insurances have been paid, except Mutual Life, as no bill has been received yet. In addition, a check was cut for Workman's Comp.

Unfinished Business:

Rescue Truck – As previously noted, the Truck had some minor issues; it should be put into service at the end of January. Mounting of the gear will be done by Absolute.

New Business: none

Executive Session: none

Address From the Public: none

Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Rosenberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Olson seconded it. The meeting was adjourned.

NOTE: These minutes were transcribed from the written notes taken by the Administrative Assistant, as the taped was misplaced.

Respectfully Submitted,

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