

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1

In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting

September 9, 2013

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, Olson, Orchard, Rosenberg and Tarnowski.

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address from the Public: none

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

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez reported the following:

- Stats YTD: 165 calls, 18 drills, 25 duty nites for a total of 216 events, with 2767.5 man-hours. (file copy attached).
- The N.J. Fireman's Convention is this coming weekend in Wildwood; about 6 active members will attend but coverage should not be a problem.
- Plans are in the works for a multi-company drill with Kingston, Monmouth Junction, and Plainsboro utilizing the foam trailer. This should take place the end of October.

President – Mr. Corris reported the following:

- For the month of August, there were 4 prospective members (3 probees and 1 junior).
- Two members who were on medical are now back on light duty.
- One non-active member had a blood clot in his leg but is doing well now.
- The Company participated in the Hugs for Brady Kickball Game and did good; they will participate in an end-of-the month Softball Game.
- Open House planning is underway.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List – Mr. Rosenberg presented his report (file copy attached). He noted that there was a large purchase of hose, which came out of the Fire Equipment Budget. Mr. Rosenberg stated that a bill had been received for the bulk mailing of the Newsletter. The Board had previously discussed putting the mailer up on the web-site, therefore it was decided not to pay this bill.

As there was no further discussion on the Voucher List, 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 – Mr. Olson had nothing to report.

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

1. A thank you letter from Mercer County Fire Academy was read into the record for the donation of Engine 225 (file copy attached).
2. Parts for the repair of the Ladder Truck have still not been received but when the repairs are made, the regular PM and testing will be done at the same time. Mr. Perez stated that the electronic system will also be removed, as it has not worked well at all. It will be replaced with a regular camera system and a new center console installed.
3. The chassis for the Utility Truck has been ordered; delivery date has not been determined yet.
4. Station 23's fire inspection was fine and a certificate was received, which is good for one year.
5. The HGAC Procurement Program is all set up and ready for use.
6. As previously discussed, hose was purchased.
7. There is no long distance service available at Station 23.

8. Mr. Perez will be meeting with insurance agents to discuss options for the District's insurance coverage.
9. Garbage pick-up at Station 23 went up \$47.33, which was due to a fuel surcharge. It was noted that the Fire Company also had an increase. Other companies will be investigated for better rates. It was suggested that a bi-weekly, not weekly, pick-up might be another option. This will be looked into.
10. Mr. Perez will have a tech person remove unnecessary checks from the Peachtree accounting program.

Chairman – Mr. Orchard stated that there has been no movement on District's 3 situation.

Standing Committee Reports:

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations – Mr. Orchard reported that the Open House will be in October and also that articles are needed for the upcoming Newsletter. Mr. Perez will look into Netlink as a possible replacement for Wolfcat Productions.

State Association - Mr. Rosenberg will attend the meeting at the Wildwood Convention.

Insurance - nothing to discuss.

Unfinished Business: none

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. Tarnowski seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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