

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 1
In the Township of South Brunswick

Regular Monthly Meeting
August 11, 2025

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 6:38 p.m. by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Members present: Commissioners Hohmeier, Orchard and White

Members absent: Commissioners Berezansky and Olson

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Address from the Public: none

Approval of July Regular Meeting minutes: Mr. White made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Mr. Hohmeier seconded. The Board approve the minutes.

Reports:

Line Activities- Chief Perez reported the following:

- For July, there were 33 calls, 2 work details and 2 drills. YTD, there were 200 calls, 18 work details and 18 drills.
- The Fire Company's picnic was last weekend and well attended.
- The Company went to a fire in Franklin.
- No major issues with the trucks.

President- He was not in attendance.

Treasurer's Report/Voucher List- Mr. Hohmeier made a motion to accept the Report and List, as presented, and Mr. White seconded it.

Secretary- no report.

Fire Coordinator- Mr. Perez reported the following:

- He will be meeting with ISO to start re-evaluation process. The last one was 11 years ago.
- An opener on one of the doors at Station 23 was replaced.

- The insurance premiums process is beginning. Currently the trucks are insured for replacement value; which is not enough, based on actual costs today. This issue will have to be taken into consideration when going through the process.
- He is looking for a contractor for the generator.

Chairman- Mr.Orchard presented an article titled “Why does a fire truck cost 2 million?” Basically it said that it was the cost of materials but in reality it is not. The manufacturers consolidated and created a monopoly. This action was brought to the attention of the government and they are looking into it.

Mr. Orchard suggested that the article be posted on the District’s website when planning for the 2026 budget.

Standing Committee Reports:

Public Relations – Everything is fine.

State Association – no report.

Insurance - all policies are good.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: none

Executive Session: The Board went into Executive Session at 6:48 p.m. and came out at 6:54 p.m.

Address from the Public: none

Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Hohmeier made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. White seconded it The meeting was adjourned at 6:54.

Respectfully Submitted,

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