# September 8, 2022

The Chairman announced that as required by The Open Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided which notice specified time and place of meeting. The notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building and mailed to the Daily Record and the Citizen, placed on file at the Township Clerk's Office and on the public notice website for the Montville BOFC District1.

### Call to Order

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District # 1, Montville Township, held at the Firehouse 86 River Road, Montville, N.J. This meeting is being held within the regulations and recommended guidelines of the State of New Jersey and the Township of Montville as pertains to the Covid19 virus. Meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Chairman Lewis, who presided. Chairman Lewis pointed out the Fire Exits.

### Roll Call

Those present were Commissioners Carl Lewis, Michael Caggiano, Robert Cook, Donald Crownover, Edward Bitterle; Chief Ron Baldwin; Fire Official Alex Phostole; Denise Phostole District Clerk.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of August were read and accepted as read. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Crownover and carried.

## **Public Comment**

None

### Financial Report

The Treasurer gave the financial report and presented the bills for payment; the vouchers were reviewed by the commissioners and paid as follows on a motion made by Commissioner Crownover, seconded by Commissioner Cook, and carried:

| Disbursements September 2022 |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Administration               | \$<br>3,277.65  |
| Buildings and grounds        | \$<br>1,788.62  |
| Insurance                    | \$<br>2,471.83  |
| Benefits                     | \$<br>2,558.40  |
| Professional services        | \$<br>174.00    |
| Training                     | \$<br>100.00    |
| M&R                          | \$<br>559.00    |
| Utilities                    | \$<br>2,596.20  |
| Apparatus repairs            | \$<br>132.99    |
| Supplies                     | \$<br>269.14    |
| Tools and Equipment          | \$<br>15,512.12 |
| UFSA                         | \$<br>3,247.36  |
| Total Disbursements:         | \$<br>32,687.31 |

Commissioners reviewed the budget. Commissioner Caggiano reported the transfer of \$20,000 from the ION Savings account to the checking account. Entries were made to the prepaid accounts. Have not yet received the refund from the Workers Comp Insurance. Motion to

accept financial report was made by Commissioner Bitterle; seconded by Commissioner Crownover and carried.

# **Chief's Report**

Chief reported that there were 19 fire calls for the month of August, bringing the year-to-date fire calls to 151, and the total year to date activities to 221. The Chief reported that attendance has increased in the last couple of months. There were a couple of Pyramid Mountain calls. There have been issues with dispatch going out late, as well as miscommunication on a call to Fairfield and Boonton township. Commissioners will request a meeting with Captain Olsen. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Crownover and carried.

### Fire Official's Report

Fire Official Phostole reported that there was a total of 12 home inspections for the month of August. Plans have been received for Montville Day and Fire Prevention will be checking the inflatables and the food trucks. Columbia Inn has been given a 6-month permit. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Bitterle and carried.

### Correspondence

- Received shared services invoice from Pine Brooks
- Sent notification to Town regarding appointment of Ed Bitterle
- Sent and received new roof bid from lawyers
- Received filled out OPRA request form sent to lawyer

### **Old Business**

Commissioners reviewed the Project Status report.

# **New Business**

On a motion made and passed the commissioners accepted the application for membership at company two of Michael M Defelice.

# Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Commissioner Cook seconded by Commissioner Caggiano and carried. Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lewis at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk

Montville Township BOFC

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