July 12, 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 Fire House, Post Office, Library, the Court House, mailed to the Daily Record, and placed on file at the Township Clerk's Office and on the public notice website for the Montville BOFC District1. This special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners District 1 was called to conduct business scheduled for the regular meeting of July 14th that was cancelled due to the lack of a quorum.

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 7:017 P.M. by Chairman Lewis, who presided. Chairman Lewis pointed out the Fire Exits. The commissioners observed a moment of silence in remembrance of Robert Purnell.

Roll Call

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

Minutes

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

Disbursements July 2022	
Administration	\$ 41,346.58
M&R	\$ 8,654.52
Supplies	\$ 827.73
Purchases	\$ 1,198.89
Insurance	\$ 639.09
Utilities	\$ 3,730.18
Training	\$ 100.00
UFSA	\$ 3,482.35
Total Disbursements:	\$ 59,979.34

Commissioner Caggiano reported that Kearny Bank had increased their interest rate from .10 to .75 percent. They are the only bank to increase to date. Commissioner Caggiano will transfer the Lincoln Savings account to the checking account to close out the savings. Lincoln Savings Bank has been acquired by Ion. No news on the Workers Comp Audit yet. Motion to accept financial report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Chief's Report

Chief reported that there were 14 fire calls for the month of June, bringing the year-to-date fire calls to 107, and the total year to date activities to 164. The Chief reported that the boots for the men were on back order have been received. The bottles that were aging out have also been replaced. The final inspection on the ladder truck is scheduled for August 7 through the 9th. The truck will be delivered to New Jersey ten days later if all goes well. The inspections on the truck should all be done prior to delivery. Training will take place after the truck arrives. The membership issues are still ongoing, and the department is looking at ways to increase membership. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Fire Official's Report

Fire Official Phostole reported that there was a total of 11 home inspections for the month of June. Fire Official reported that the commercial inspections at 150 River Road have been started and Mars Court has been completed except for number 8. The 4th of July was a success. The inspectors will be working half days until the end of August. Montville Day is scheduled for October. Training is continuing in the ESP system. The Fire Prevention Bureau was not informed that there would be food trucks at the concert series by the high school. Fire Official estimates that the bureau is halfway through the inspections for the year. The Mutts on Main building has been knocked down. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Caggiano; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Correspondence

- Received email regarding Fire Official appointments including resolutions.
- Received notification that the deadline for audits was changed to August 31st.
- Received multiple emails from the state regarding prevailing wage
- Received notification from the town regarding the sewers at 8 Rockaway Valley station 2
- Received email cancelling the Joint Commissioners meeting

Old Business

Commissioners reviewed the Project Status report.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Commissioner Crownover seconded by Commissioner Caggiano and carried. Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lewis at 9:32 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Denise Phostole District 1 Clerk

Montville Township BOFC

District One