

December 13, 2018

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 District 1.

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. Meeting was called to order at 7:08 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 Purnell, Robert Cook, and Stephen Schmidt; Fire Official Joseph Serrecchia; Chief Ron Baldwin, and Denise Phostole, District Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of November 11 were read and accepted as read. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Purnell, seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Public Comment

Loiza Grueuska appeared before the commissioners as the property owner of 60 Boonton Avenue. She discussed several issues with the property which abuts station two. She spoke of the monuments and her wish to sell the property. Questions arose regarding the property lines and she will return in January with a survey. Matter has been tabled till the January meeting.

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 Purnell, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried:

Disbursements December 2018	
Administration	\$ 2,305.13
M&R	\$ 6,252.71
Supplies	\$ 414.64
Professional	\$ 27.00
Insurance	\$ 301.80
Utilities	\$ 2,735.93
UFSA	\$ 4,785.60
Total Disbursements:	\$ 16,822.81

Commissioner Caggiano reported that the two CDs came due at Lincoln Park; one of them was rolled over and renewed at a higher rate. The other one was closed and deposited into the operating account. Motion to accept the financial report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried.

Chief's Report

The Chief reported 16 activities for the month of November bringing the total for the year to 323; 240 of which were fire calls. Chief reported that he received an application for a new member for company one – Matthew L Berowski and that JD Coleman has returned to town and will be active again. The radios have been installed in the new rescue truck.

All the main equipment has now been transferred to the new truck. Ladder truck is back in service. Discussion regarding the clothing allowance. Motion to accept the Chief's report was made by Commissioner Schmidt, seconded by Commissioner Purnell, and carried.

Fire Official's Report

Fire Official Serrecchia reported that there were a total of 8 home inspections for the month of November. The Township Committee has passed the ordinance on the permit fees. All of the Life Hazards have been inspected for 2018. Fire Official Serrecchia appeared in court and neither one of the owners of the two companies appeared as scheduled. The court date was rescheduled to last week at which time one of the matters was settled after speaking to the party involved. The other matter is being addressed by the court. Motion to accept the Fire Officials report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried.

Correspondence

- Received invoice for repairs to the website due to corrupted files.
- Received invoice from D3 for Altice
- Resigned with website GoDaddy for two years of hosting and ownership of domain name
- Received corrected minutes from Pine Brook for the Joint Meeting
- Received letter from County Clerk of Morris to attend meeting in Morristown on Tuesday 12/18/18 regarding changes to elections procedures
- Received copy of Fire Prevention ordinance from the Township
- Received invoice from ALM

Old Business

Commissioners received two quotes for repairs to the roofs at the three fire stations. Third quote has not been received yet and the matter was tabled until the regular January meeting. Commissioner Purnell will be attending the next Park Commission meeting to speak to them again regarding the issues the men are having when asked to respond to mutual aid at the county parks in the township. Sirens have been repaired at Company Two. The fuel door is being replaced at Company One.

New Business

On a motion made by Commissioner Purnell and seconded by Commissioner Cook the commissioners accepted the application of Matthew L Borowski as a new member assigned to Company One. All in favor. The corrective action plan noted in the 2017 audit was read and discussed. On a motion made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt the commissioners accepted the plan. The commissioners reviewed the changes made by the State of New Jersey to the introduced 2018 budget. On a motion made by Commissioner Purnell and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt the commissioners unanimously adopted the revised 2018 budget.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Purnell and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried. Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lewis at 9:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk

Montville Township BOFC

District One