

July 9, 2021

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 7:05 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 Steven Schmidt; Fire Chief Jim Longobardi; Fire Official Alex Phostole; Fire Inspector Ron Baldwin and Denise Phostole District Clerk.

Minutes

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

Disbursements July 2021	
Administration	\$ 1,907.51
M&R	\$ 4,486.39
Supplies	\$ 591.00
Purchases	\$ 2,452.62
Insurance	\$ 2,418.67
Utilities	\$ 2,554.81
Training	\$ 348.00
Benefits	\$ 4,021.51
UFGA	\$ 2,754.98
Total Disbursements:	\$ 21,535.49

Commissioner Caggiano reported that he had received a refund from ADP. The commissioners reviewed the bank statements and the budget. Interest accounts are down. The commissioners will be closing the Lakeland Bank account and moving the operating account to Lincoln First Bank. Commissioner Caggiano reported that a payment had been made electronically for three months of Life Insurance to Reliance Standard Life which replaced the old policy. The LOSAP account for Robert Hopp has been closed. Commissioner Caggiano is waiting on some additional paper work to finalize the Life Insurance claim for James Woltman. Motion to accept

financial report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and carried.

Chief's Report

Chief reported that there were 18 fire calls for the month of June, bringing the year to date fire calls to 87, and the total year to date activities to 133. ISO rating has not changed. In order to move up a level it would be necessary for new drivers to train for 60 hours; 12 hours of retraining for qualified drivers. Another level would require more firefighters attending each call. The township doing 90% of hydrants would move all three districts up. There will be a drill on Saturday at the intersection of River and Vreeland involving setting up landing zones. The state is landing a helicopter. Reminder that in place of the joint picnic this year there will be a get together at station two on July 17th beginning at 5:00 PM. The men participated in a call involving a person with an ankle injury at Pyramid Mountain. The County has a wheeled basket with a brake. The Chief received a letter of resignation from AJ Cleary. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Purnell; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Fire Official's Report

Fire Official Phostole reported that there was a total of 21 home inspections for the month of June. Fire Prevention found two Imminent Hazards while doing an inspection at Mars Court. They will be doing the balance of inspections at Mars Court and begin inspections a 2 Changebridge Rd. Food trucks based in Montville will be given 6 month permits to operate at a rate of \$54.00. Conklin's will need 2 permits for the U Pick due to changes in state law. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Purnell; seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and carried.

Correspondence

None

Old Business

The commissioners discussed and gave approval for change orders for the new ladder truck. They discussed the trail markers at Pyramid Mountain and will send a letter to the Parks Commission. They would like to see a number system on all trails every 3 or 4 markers all the way around. Suggested looking into whether this would be a good project for the Boy Scouts to map via GPS.

New Business

The commissioners are making a change to the meeting agenda to include a section of items in progress. On a motion made by Commissioner Purnell and seconded by Commissioner Caggiano the quote to repair the signage at station one was approved. All in favor.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Commissioner Purnell seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and carried. Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lewis at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk

Montville Township BOFC District One