

September 10, 2015

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, and placed on file at the Township's Clerk Office.

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 7:01 P.M. by Chairman Berry, who presided. Chairman Berry pointed out the Fire Exits.

Roll Call

Those present were: Commissioners James Berry, Michael Caggiano, Carl Lewis, Robert Purnell, Robert Cook; Chief Jim Longobardi; Fire Official Joseph Serrecchia; Administrator Bud Ballentine, and Denise Phostole District Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of August were read and accepted with one correction, adding Commissioner Purnell as present.

Motion to accept the minutes was made by Commissioner Lewis; seconded by Commissioner Purnell, 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 Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Purnell, and carried:

Disbursements September 2015	
Administration	\$ 1,012.00
Professional services	\$ 67.50
M&R	\$ 6,215.70
Supplies	\$ 303.35
Equipment	\$ 8,221.42
Utilities	\$ 1,284.35
UFGA	\$ 2,763.57
Total Disbursements:	\$ 19,867.89

Commissioner Caggiano reported that Boonton Electric is bankrupt. The commissioners reviewed the 2015 budget line items. All of our banks GUDPA certificates for second quarter 2015 are current. Received two new LOSAP applications for Alex Phostole and John Stretavski. Commissioner Caggiano introduced the 2016 budget – line items were reviewed and discussed by all. Motion to accept financial report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Purnell and carried.

Chief's Report

There were 21 activities for the month of August; 16 were fire calls, bringing the year to date total to 157; 112 of which were fire calls. New 1 ½ and 2 ½ inch hose has been ordered from Safety; the couplings on the old hose are not replaceable. Commissioner Berry questioned why the hose testing is done at higher pressure than necessary, as the fire department would never attain that amount of pressure when using the hose. It was determined that this was the testing standard (300 lbs for 10 minutes for 1½ and 2 ½ inch hose); standards for testing 5 inch hose could not immediately be verified. Engine 350 will be attending the 9/11 memorial at Liberty State Park. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Lewis; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Fire Official's Report

Fire Official gave his report; all is going well with inspections. There were a total of 13 inspections for the month. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Lewis; seconded by Commissioner Purnell, and carried.

Correspondence

- Received letter from GEI regarding ongoing environmental remediation at Marotta's.
- Received letter from Fire Fighters Equipment Co. stating that they are no longer authorized Scott dealer. Referred all customers to NJ Fire Equipment Company.
- Received correspondence from Attorney Bucco's office regarding recent LOSAP issues.
- Received email from J Bramwell regarding the siren.

Old Business

Commissioner Cook presented the snow plowing specs; commissioners reviewed and approved for publication.

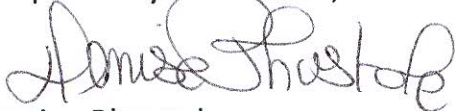
New Business

Commissioners discussed continuing their affiliation with the NJ State Association of Fire Commissioners, and after reviewing the benefits received it was decided not to continue membership at this time. Chief Longobardi will call J Bramwell regarding her email about the siren. Commissioner Lewis said that there was a leak in the roof at Company 1 in the bays, and that the air conditioning at station three was not working in the front conference room, the bay and the Chiefs office. He will contact repairmen to fix both. Stewardship Atlantic bank has requested the attendance of some members at the bank on September 19 for a presentation. The Montville animal shelter is requesting use of the bays at station three on October 18, and will send a formal request. Commissioner Lewis read a letter to be sent to the department commending them on their achievements at the 2015 Boonton Labor Day parade.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Commissioner Cook seconded by Commissioner Purnell and carried. Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Berry at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk

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