

November 14, 2024

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

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 7:13 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, Anthony Luciano, Fire Official Brian Ricci and Denise Phostole District Clerk.

Minutes

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

Public Comment

None

Financial Report

The treasurer presented 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 Lewis, and carried:

Disbursements November 2024

Administration	\$ 1,730.72
Benefits (Life Ins/Workmans Comp)	\$ 2,503.60
Insurance (Commercial Package)	\$ 2,488.44
Apparatus M&R	\$ 20,012.65
Equipment M&R	\$ 4,677.44
Buildings and Grounds M&R	\$ 2,584.19
Meetings and Travel	\$ 914.00
Purchases	\$ 15,070.00
Supplies	\$ 4,342.76
Utilities	\$ 3,611.97
Uniforms	\$ 29,200.00
UFSA	\$ 1,969.65
Total Disbursements:	\$ 89,105.42

Commissioner Caggiano reported a transfer from the ION bank savings to the ION bank checking account in the amount of \$60,000.00 to cover invoices paid in November and December. There was a transfer of \$290,000.00 from the ION bank checking to the ION bank savings account – this was the second half tax levy. Have not received the refund checks for the Workers Comp audit or the Accident and Life policy. Still missing two invoices – ADP and Reliance Standard Life. Motion to accept financial report was made by Commissioner Luciano, seconded by Commissioner Cook, and carried.

Chief's Report

The Chief reported that there were 22 fire calls for the month of October, bringing the year-to-date fire calls to 210 and the total year-to-date activities to 292. The chief sent his report in his absence. See attached. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Luciano and carried.

Fire Official's Report

The Fire Official reported that there was a total of 7 home inspections for the month of October five of which passed the first time and two that passed on reinspection. He would like the surface to have the Office Suite on it. Also, a Knox Box in the new car. All businesses have been entered into First Due – set to go live by December 1st. Fire Official Ricci is resigning effective December 31st. He has recommended that the Commissioners promote Inspector Cowly to the position of FO. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Luciano; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Correspondence

- Received invoices for past due invoice from Fire and Safety; timely invoice from Fire and Safety; invoice for Fire Prevention for fire prevention month handouts; invoice from Verizon; invoice from Enforsys yearly renewal.
- Received email from the Township about fire restrictions cautioning fireworks usage on the Diwali holiday.
- Received maintenance agreement from Gen Serve.
- Received receipt for LOSAP 2023 contributions
- Received affidavit for special meeting from Daily Record
- Received CNC from Township
- Request from Fire Prevention to purchase 2018 International Fire Code paper edition
- Notified that the Star Ledger would no longer be in print effective February 2, 2025
- Cancelled monitoring with AC Daughtry. Equipment is not functional and they will make an appointment to come and remove it.
- Received contract from ALM for plowing for the 2024-2025 season
- Received invoice from Tri State for labor for set up of new computers and NAS

Old Business

Commissioners reviewed the Project Status report.

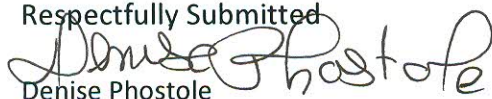
New Business

On a motion made and passed the Commissioners approved the Resolution to accept the introduced budget. Budget adoption set for December 12th public meeting prior to regular monthly meeting.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commission Cook, seconded by Commissioner Caggiano and carried. The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Lewis at 8:46 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted


Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk Montville Township BOFC District One

		ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797		80219.78	
30	3.14.2024	KEARNY BANK ACCT # 194402244	37578.00		
		ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797		37578.00	
31	4.11.2024	ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286	35135.01		
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32	4.15.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	250000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		250000.00	
33	4.24.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	30000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		30000.00	
34	6.02.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	50000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		50000.00	
35	8.08.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	30000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		30000.00	
36	8.22.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	9800.00		
	9.02.2024	ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		9800.00	
37	9.02.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	10000.00		
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38	9.08.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	20361.37		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		20361.37	
39	9.12.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	30000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		30000.00	
40	10.17.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	290000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		290000.00	<i>Tax Levy Funds</i>
41	10.24.2024	ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286	200000.00		
		OSAIC INSTITUTIONS INC		200000.00	
42	10.24.2024	BLUE FOUNDRY CD CLOSED	215000.00		
		COLUMBIA FINANCIAL SERVICES		215000.00	
43	11.14.2024	ION BANK CHECKING ACCT # 1797	60000.00		
		ION BANK STATE SVGS ACCT # 3286		60000.00	<i>Bill Prints for Nov and Dec</i>

Montville Fire Department

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Chief Jim Longobardi

Chief@MontvilleFD.org

Thank you to Carl for telling me to stay at the Towaco Dinner tonight and just leave my report.

- 1) We have assisted Rockaway with their forest fires twice and once with West Milford. At the County Chief's meeting Montville was thanked for our drafting assignments - filling the Tenders (water tanker trucks) in Rockaway at Green Pond Lake.
- 2) Hose Testing, Ladder Testing, Pump Testing and Aerial Testing is all complete. Hose and Ladder needed to come back to do 354 because it was out for repairs when they first tested.
- 3) I spoke with Christian from Union County Seal Coat on Oct 30th and he said he would get back to me for the final lines as they are very busy with end of year. The marks are up at Company 2 for when they come.
- 4) The company the town uses for their air compressors, Spohrer, fixed the Company 2 air compressor today. He changed Compositor, cleaned sludge out of crank case, checked voltage under load with cycling. He will then check and service the other 2 air compressors if that is ok?
- 5) Truck Committee next meeting is Monday November 18th.
- 6) Board of Chiefs election will be held Thursday November 21st.
- 7) Our Fire Department Dinner is Friday December 13th at Lake Valhalla Club.
- 8) I hope the Joint Commissioners find a resolution with our township radio system soon.
The 4 viable options I see
 - a. Upgrade our current radio system with new hardware that sends and receives, and has new antenna locations to cover dead spots along Boonton Ave and Upper Taylortown Road, Towaco and Lower Pine Brook
 - b. Merge with the Montville Police non-Motorola system, add multiple fire radio channels to their system so each district has a channel to talk on besides the dispatch channel, add hardware in town to reduce/eliminate their new system's dead zones
 - c. Join Parsippany's Motorola radio system and add antennas in our town to eliminate any dead spots in Boonton Ave/Upper Tayortown area and Towaco. Continue to use Montville Dispatch
 - d. Join the County Radio System and either use their dispatch, or use their radio system channels and still use our own Montville Dispatch
- 9) The Co 2 outside light over the bays is burnt out/flickering.
- 10) Is there a new insurance card for the 2014 Chevy Tahoe?
- 11) Email now works on the chief's computer.

Thank you and have a nice evening,

Jim Longobardi

Chief

Montville Fire Department