

February 8, 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 7:01 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, Ed Bitterle, and Don Crownover; Chief Jim Longobardi; Fire Official Brian Ricci and Denise Phostole District Clerk.

Minutes

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

Disbursements February 2024	
Administration	\$ 2,377.97
Buildings and Grounds	\$ 6,742.19
M&R	\$ 552.46
Insurance	\$ 7,118.14
Purchases	\$ 6,682.25
Utilities	\$ 3,340.05
UFSA	\$ 2,208.42
Total Disbursements:	\$ 29,021.48

Commissioner Caggiano reported that he had not received the bank statements from Blue Foundry; the interest for the month has not been posted. We received the repayment for the deductible of \$1,000.00 from the insurance company. The commissioners reviewed the budget. Motion to accept financial report was made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Crownover, and carried.

Chief's Report

The Chief reported that there were 18 fire calls for the month of January, bringing the year-to-date fire calls to 18, and the total year-to-date activities to 25. The Chief reported that there will be training on the new foam in Towaco at 6:00 PM on the 15. The charger has been installed in Unit 1. Bowling starts on February 25th. The Chief needs to purchase batteries for the air packs. The repair to the garage door at company one is in process. Air bottles are going

out for hydro. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

Fire Official's Report

Fire Official Ricci Said that there were 6 home inspections in January, and 11 in December of 2023. The end of the year report for the state has been completed and submitted. All the LHUs were not inspected last year. Inspector Cowley is working on completing inspections. The schools were done on February 12th. Fire Official will be looking at moving away from ESP. Is looking at other platforms. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Crownover and carried.

Correspondence

- Received invoice MO cleaning, ALM and GenServ
- Email from Northeast saying that two sites were down – Towaco and Taylortown. Called for them to come out and repair. Northeast stated that the problem is with Litepath.
- Work Session called for Monday 2/12 at 7:00 PM station 3 Montville for VComm and radio issues.

Old Business

Commissioners reviewed the Project Status report.

New Business

On a motion made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Crownover the Commissioners approved the application for membership of Charles Tremblay to Company One. All in favor.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Bitterle, seconded by Commissioner Crownover and carried. The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Lewis at 8:38 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted



Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk Montville Township BOFC District One