

October 10, 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 7:04 P.M. by Chairman Lewis, who presided. Chairman Lewis pointed out the Fire Exits.

Roll Call

Those present were Commissioners Carl Lewis, Michael Caggiano, Don Crownover, Anthony Luciano; Chief Jim Longobardi and Denise Phostole District Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting for September were read and accepted as read. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Luciano; seconded by Commissioner Crownover and carried.

Public Comment

None

Financial Report

The treasurer presented 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 Luciano, seconded by Commissioner Crownover, and carried:

Disbursements October 2024	
Administration	\$ 1,717.26
Benefits (Life Ins/Workmans Co	\$ 2,503.60
Insurance (Commercial Package	\$ 2,488.44
M&R (apparatus repairs)	\$ 3,115.36
LOSAP 2023 Contribution	\$ 14,900.00
Buildings and grounds	\$ 3,108.17
Equipment repairs	\$ 5,927.59
Purchases	\$ 5,251.17
Office expense	\$ 2,708.47
Supplies	\$ 1,748.51
Utilities	\$ 5,182.67
UFSA	\$ 3,424.00
Total Disbursements:	\$ 52,075.24

Commissioner Caggiano reported that he was attempting to ladder the CDs and that the second half of the tax levy is due this month. Received the insurance claim for the repair of 352. The money for the sale of the ladder truck and the 6X6 has been received and deposited: total \$44,301.00. Waiting for the refund for the Workers Comp audit. Motion to accept financial report was made by Commissioner Luciano, seconded by Commissioner Crownover, and carried.

Chief's Report

The Chief reported that there were 17 fire calls for the month of September, bringing the year-to-date fire calls to 188 and the total year-to-date activities to 259. The chief reported that 354 had been repaired and that the pump test on all vehicles would be done on October 13th. Inspections of the ground ladders and hose tests are complete. Three lengths of hose failed. There is an application for a new member Tyler Marszat to join Company 2. Chief is resigning effective December 31, 2024. Motion to accept Chief's report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Luciano and carried.

Fire Official's Report

The Clerk reported in the absence of the Fire Official. For the month of September there were 10 home inspections. Seven passed first time through. Three failed – 2 passed on reinspection in September and one in October. The new reporting system from First Due was moving along. Motion to accept Fire Official's report was made by Commissioner Crownover; seconded by Commissioner Luciano and carried.

Correspondence

- Received past due invoices for Gen Serv; Fire and Safety.
- Received invoice from District 3 for shared services.
- Sent fee increase and ordinances to town for approval.
- Received quotes to upgrade radio equipment (receiver sites) and to replace the battery backup at Turkey Hill.
- Received a response from Anthony Bucco regarding the advertising of the JUFCRB.
- Received a request for a meeting with the Montville PD concerning the radios.

Old Business

Commissioners reviewed the Project Status report.

New Business

On a motion made and passed the Commissioners approved the application for membership of Tyler Marszat to join Company 2. All in favor. Commissioners will conduct an inspection of the fire houses on October 22, 2024. The trees at the Buffalo house have been trimmed and the brambles removed. The men will get a quote to scrape and paint at the meeting of company 1.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commission Crownover, seconded by Commissioner Luciano and carried. The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Lewis at 9:28 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted



Denise Phostole

District 1 Clerk

Montville Township BOFC District One