

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

MINUTES OF MAY 26, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Nelson at 8:01 p.m. President Nelson announced that the meeting is being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act". Public Notice of this meeting was mailed to the Clerk of the Township of Ocean and posted at the Oakhurst Firehouse on February 25, 2009, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 5, 2009.

After a salute to the flag, a moment of silence was observed.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Board members were present: James Hiers, Scott Nelson, Russell Williams and Anthony Palmisano. Fire District Administrator Arthur Schenck, Fire Marshal Timothy Smith, Deputy Fire Marshal Chris Pujat, Maintenance/Repair Technician Michael Fiorentino and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the April 27, 2009 meeting were read. Questions or comments? None. The minutes were unanimously accepted without change.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following items of correspondence were read for information:

Incoming from:

Allied Diesel; Re: Customer Appreciation Day, Friday, June 19.

EXPENSES:

Vouchers totalling \$43,295.90 were read and presented by Commissioner Williams for payment. Williams motioned to pay all bills. Hiers seconded. Questions or comments on the bills.? There were none. Roll call vote of Hiers, Williams, Palmisano and Nelson was unanimous in favor of the motion.

DISTRICT NO. 1 ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS:

Chief S. Donohue thanked the Board for allowing him to attend FDIC. He thanked everyone who attended the Memorial Day Parade. He thanked the Board for the 173 ceremony; all are pleased to see 173 back. There will be an OEM Drill on June 3.

FD Lt. R. Nelson reported that only FF Tillis, FF S. Reu and he will be attending Firehouse Expo.

Fire Marshal Smith reported 179 Inspections, including 6 State Registered Establishments, revealing 20 Violations, and 2 Investigations were conducted during the month. Six CO calls were followed-up, 4 pub ed sessions were held with 323 people attending, 70 Smoke/CO Inspections were conducted, and \$2,679.00 in fees were collected. The new Hydrant Ordinance is back to the original version. It looks ok. The Caprice Radio has been replaced. He has contacted Monmouth County Radio Re: Mapping for the Mobile Computers. Replacement DECON Suits are on order through the County for the County Trailers.

Deputy Fire Marshal Pujat reported on some OPTICOM repairs made.

FAS Captain A. Green reported 112 calls for the month of April. Mutual Aid was given 13 times. Mutual Aid was received from District #2; 14 in January; 18 in February; 10 in March; and 10 in April. He thanked Mike Fiorentino for his assistance on calls. No one from the FAS will be attending the Firehouse Expo this year.

FAS Lt. S. Green reported the Squads new cots are in service and working good.

Maintenance/Repair Technician Fiorentino reported that the 190 welding repairs have been completed. He commented that the new FAS cots are nice. He suggested that the FAS hold a training session on the new cots with the FD First Responders.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nelson - Thank you to both organizations for the representation at the Twp's Memorial Day Parade. Thank you and a job well done to those members who cleaned and polished the apparatus; everything looked great.

Nelson - Engine 173 ran good during the parade. Special thanks to Mike for the "Dirty Job" of powerwashing; to Brian Penta for the Painting; and to Bill Reu and Tim for your help and advice. He requested that a thank you letter be sent to Brian Penta..

Hiers - Car 167; It was confirmed that the engine had to be replaced. Quotes were obtained; Sea Breeze Ford \$4,700.00. Sansone Ford \$4,600.00. The Engine was replaced at Sansone Ford; (3 year/100,00 mile warranty). All indications are that it is running good.

Palmisano - Firehouse Expo: Fiorentino, Tillis and S. Reu have been registered for HOT classes and full conference. Others attending the conference will be registered this week.

Hiers - All repairs completed on 37-1-90. UL has been contacted to complete testing on Ladder 37-1-90.

Williams - Station No. 1 Balcony area clean-up status? He asked each organization to take care of thier own "stuff".

NEW BUSINESS:

Nelson - Life Insurance Incentive Program, Annual Update. Re: Memo to BOFC.

Enrollment applications were sent to FF's Attardi, Kruse, and S. Reu. (Not yet returned; asked to have back by May 30.) FAS A. Meistrich has completed and returned her application.

A review of the Beneficiaries listed for several members revealed possible changes may be desired. Members concerned have been or will be contacted to complete the necessary paperwork to change their beneficiary if they should want to do so.

Palmisano - To increase the earnings on our Payroll Account, we have opened a new Money Market Account at Wachovia that will be linked to the Payroll Account. The bulk of the funds will be kept in the MMA, and we can add to it also, having the funds available when, and if, needed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Equipment and Supplies - FD..... Hiers

- Sean Donohue's turn-out gear repaired.
- Turn-out gear ordered.
- Leather Boots received.

Equipment and Supplies - FAS..... Palmisano, Reu

- Request for BP cuffs? Status?

OPTICOM..... Reu, FM Smith

- Rt. #35 and West Park Ave repaired.

Maintenance of Apparatus..... Reu, Schenck

- Car 166 repaired at SeaCoast Chevy. Serviced and new brakes at Bennetts.
- Car 167 new engine installed at Sansone Ford.
- Caprice serviced at Whitleys.
- Car 137 Serviced and state inspection at Whitleys. Repairs & Recall at Sansone Ford. Brakes at Bennetts.

- Annual PM service pending on Breathing Air Compressor.
- Hose; 3" and 1 3/4" hose recoupled at TASC. Needs to be retested.
- Truck 138 serviced at Bennetts.
- Engine 172 serviced at Bennetts.
- Engine 173 new engine installed; running good.

Station Maintenance:

Station No. 1:..... Williams

- Nelson Engineering did alot of surveying and test boring for Engine Room Floor repair plans.
- Fire Alarm System; annual service/testing performed Fire Security Technologies.

Station No. 2:..... Hiers

- Fire Alarm System; annual service/testing performed Fire Security Technologies.

Conventions and Seminars.....Palmisano

- Firehouse Expo: Fiorentino, Tillis, S. Reu registered for HOT classes and conference.

Insurance and Legal Liaison.....Nelson

- First Aider A. Meistrich received Insurance reimbursement for lost glasses.
- Still waiting for \$500.00 reimbursement from Ins Co Re; 174 MVA. Ins

Co "Still working on it"

-Questions or Comments ?

FD Lt. Morrow advised that the FAS purchased some new tables for the firehouse.

Commissioner Nelson thanked everyone here for coming out to the meeting tonight.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Rerspectfully submitted,

Arthur S. Schenck, Jr.
Fire District Administrator

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