

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

MINUTES OF JULY 26, 2010

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Nelson at 8:02 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 23, 2010, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 4, 2010. After a salute to the flag, a moment of silence was observed.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Board members were present: Thomas Reu, James Hiers, Scott Nelson, Russell Williams and Anthony Palmisano. Fire District Administrator Arthur Schenck, Assistant Fire District Administrator David Hiers, Acting Fire Marshal Chris Pujat, Fire Inspector Craig Flannigan, Maintenance/Repair Technician Michael Fiorentino and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the June 28, 2010 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: Insurance Office of America(OIA); Re: Announcing Smith-Gatta-Gelik and The Norwood Agency have joined OIA (Insurance Office of America).

EXPENSES:

Vouchers totaling \$48,352.77 were read and presented by Commissioner Reu for payment. Reu motioned to pay all bills. Hiers seconded. Questions or comments on the bills.? There were none. Roll call vote: Hiers, Williams, Palmisano and Nelson voted in favor of the motion. Reu abstained from voting on voucher payable to himself, voting in favor of paying all others. All vouchers were approved for payment.

DISTRICT NO. 1 ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS:

FAS Captain S. Green reported 88 calls for the month of June.

FAS Lt. D. Willms thanked the Board for Firehouse Expo.

FAS Lt. L. Degurski reported that the modems have been installed in the ambulance computers. She thanked the Board for Firehouse Expo; the classes were good.

Acting Fire Marshal Pujat reported 192 Inspections, including 9 State Registered Establishments, revealing 109 Violations, and 2 Investigations were conducted during the month. Two CO calls were followed up, 3 Public Education sessions were held, with 249 people attending, 12 Permits were issued, 63 Smoke/CO Detector Inspections were conducted, and one Fire Report was issued, for a total of \$2,780.00 in fees collected. He commented on several other activities for the month. He met with the County on the OPTICOM planned for West Park Avenue and Hope Road; progress is being made. He thanked everyone for the help during the 4th of July fireworks. The same help will be needed on August 13, the Festival Fireworks.

Maintenance/Repair Technician Fiorentino reported that FD Drivers should allow the trucks to roll off the stop curb in the station before applying the brake. Drivers should stay with their vehicles at calls, Re: the recent overheat of 174 at a fire scene. He noted that the passenger side air bags are turned off in the ambulances. Everyone was aware. This was done so that the air bags would not hit the computer.

Chief Craig Flannigan reported 55 activities for the month. 2 Drills were conducted. Mutual Aid was given one time. A total of 485 members responded to calls, averaging 9 members per call, for a total of 213 manhours.

FD Lt. R. Nelson thanked the Board for Firehouse Expo.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nelson - Thank you to those who attended Firehouse Expo in Baltimore. Again, as a result of the light attendance, we need to evaluate if, or how, we should attend in the future.

Hiers - Just a reminder to all, the Retirement Party for Tim Smith is this Saturday, July 31, 6:00 - 10:00 pm. We have a total of 84 people who have responded to attend.

Williams - Elevator "Hard piping" to be done Wednesday, July 28.

Palmisano - Team Life will be here tomorrow morning to complete the program upgrade on the three AED's in the ambulances. They will also be bringing four new Pedi Electrodes to replace the Electrodes that will expire in August. (We will replace when due)

NEW BUSINESS:

Hiers - The FD Officers have submitted a memo requesting various equipment/tools for the Chief's vehicles. We have reviewed the list and approve all of the items except for a new lightbar for 37-1-68.

Hiers - Noted a problem he had with the Radio on 178 recently. It seemed to correct itself. Keep an eye on it.

Nelson - Reminded all drivers on 174 and 178 to activate the Fast Idle when idling at a scene.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

-Purchased Sterile Water, Alcohol, Waterless Hand Cleaner.

Maintenance of Apparatus..... Reu, Schenck

-Engine 174 water pump replaced.

-Ambulances 157, 158, 159; preventive maintenance/service performed.

Trans serviced on 157 & 158. @ Bennett.

-Ambulance 157; A/C repaired PLCustom.

Station Maintenance:

Station No. 2:..... Hiers

-Phone line in trouble. Called phone co. to repair.

Conventions and Seminars.....Palmisano

-Firehouse Expo last week..

-Questions or Comments ?

Hiers - Thank you Art for making all of the Baltimore arrangements.

Nelson - Thank you to all for what you do.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur S. Schenck, Jr.
Fire District Administrator

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