

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

MINUTES OF
April 15, 2013

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Nelson at 8:03 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 hand delivered to the Clerk of the Township of Ocean and posted at the Oakhurst Firehouse on February 28, 2013, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 7, 2013.

After a salute to the flag, a moment of silence was observed. Special moment for the Boston Marathon bombing.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Board members were present: Thomas Reu, Russ Williams, Jim Hiers, Scott Nelson and Stu Newman. Fire District Administrator J. David Hiers, Fire Marshal Chris Pujat, District Mechanic Michael Fiorentino and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present.

MINUTES:

Minutes of Previous Meeting were placed on the table for everyone's review, comments or corrections. There were no questions pertaining to the March 25, 2013 minutes or the April 1, 2013 work session. Nelson moved for them to be accepted as written. It was second by Williams. No questions to the motion. Roll call vote of Newman, Reu, Williams, Hiers and Nelson was unanimous in favor of the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following items of correspondence were read for information:

Outgoing to: None

Incoming from: None

EXPENSES:

The Bills this evening were reviewed by the Commissioners prior to the meeting and found to be OK. Copies of the bill list were on the table for anyone to review. A Resolution to pay the Bills totaling \$88,400.70 was presented by Commissioner Reu. It was seconded Hiers. There were no questions. Roll call

vote of Williams, Newman, Reu, Hiers and Nelson was unanimous in favor of the Resolution.

DISTRICT NO. 1 ORGANIZATION's REPORTS:

Chief John Morrow – gave the March monthly fire report. He reported 60 activities for the month. Average response time was 5 minutes 22 seconds. Average firefighters per call were 7, for a total of 419 members responding, experiencing 137 total man-hours. Mutual aid was given 5 times and received 1 time. Morrow stated that while he and Asst. Chief Nelson are at the FDIC next week, 2nd Asst. Chief Sorrentino will be acting Chief. Today we had our 1st actual fire of the year. Everyone did a great job and minimized the damage to just smoke. The opening of the 100th Anniversary exhibit at the Township Museum was very well attended by the FD. We had the Charter signing for the 100th anniversary on April 14th with a very good showing from the department. It was nice to see our oldest member present, Brother George Barthelemy. The new SCBA's are all in operation with many thanks to Craig Flannigan, Mike Fiorentino and Fire Marshal Pujat.

1st Assistant Chief Bob Nelson – reported that the 100th Anniversary / Ex-Chief Earl Alexander's dinner is on the 20th of April. There will be a "Scene Size-Up Drill on April 24th.

2nd Assistant Chief Chris Sorrentino – not present

Captain John Kruse – no report

1st Lt. M. Guarda – not present

2nd Lt. Josh Shamosh – not present

FAS Captain Karen Dougherty - gave the March monthly first aid report. She reported 50 total activities for the month, which included 31 Emergency calls. Average response time was 7 minutes. A total of 212 Emergency Call Man Hours were experienced. Mutual aid received 3 times and given was 1 time. The Captain noted that the rest of the officers were at an EpiPen Training Class this evening

1st Lt. Andy Beringer – at training class for epipens.

2nd Lt. Judyth Brown – at training class for epipens.

Sergeant Jon Friedman - at training class for epipens.

FIRE MARSHAL C. Pujat – said that he will be giving his report at the May 6th work session. Computer for 37-1-74 is back in service. New cellular modem for 37-1-57 has been installed. A copy of the township hydrant map system has been placed on the computer system. Also 11"x17" copies will be placed on the apparatus.

District Mechanic Fiorentino – stated the 37-1-74 has been repaired and will be picked up tomorrow. 37-1-73 has been repaired and looks real good. Vehicle

37-1-68 is finished and will be picked up tomorrow also. Ambulance 37-1-59 is having work done on the ti-rods and should be done shortly.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Hiers – We had some opticom detectors go bad recently and replaced them with ones we had. We need to build our stock back up for future failures or knock downs. Because these are a sole source product, we do not have to solicit bids for these heads. Also the Township, through the police department, will reimburse us at the end of the year for ½ half of any parts and labor for work done on our system. I offer the Resolution to purchase four (4) opticom model 721 detectors at a cost of \$575 each for a total of \$2,300. Second by Williams. There were no questions. Roll call vote of Williams, Newman, Reu, Hiers and Nelson was unanimous in favor of the Resolution.

Newman – Selective Insurance is requesting an updated driver's list from both organizations. They are expecting it. Please get it to the FDA this week before the group goes to FDIC next week.

Williams – gave a truck update for the new Quint. Final specs were sent to the spec writer for his review. When the final draft comes back from the spec writer it then goes to the attorney to have put out to bid. Williams reminded everyone again that the FDIC is next week and help will be needed due to shortage of manpower that week.

There was no further business presented before the Board. The meeting adjourned 8:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



J. David Hiers
Fire District Administrator

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