

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

WORK SESSION
July 7, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

The Work Session meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:35 pm. A salute to the American flag and a moment of silence followed.

This 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, 2014, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 6, 2014.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Board members were present: Thomas Reu, James Hiers, Russell Williams and Stuart Newman. Fire District Administrator David Hiers, Fire Marshal Chris Pujat, Deputy Fire Marshal Craig Flannigan and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present. Commissioner Nelson was working and DM Fiorentino was excuse from the meeting.

EXPENSES:

Reu - 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. Reu offered the Resolution to pay the Bills totaling \$41,120.93. It was second by Williams. There were no questions on any bills. Roll call vote of Williams, Newman, Reu and Hiers was unanimous in favor of the resolution. Reu then offered the Resolution to transfer funds from the Operating Account to the Payroll Account in the amount of \$31,000. It was second by Williams. There were no questions. Roll call vote of Williams, Newman, Reu and Hiers was unanimous in favor of the resolution.

BUSINESS:

Old: no old business was brought up.

New:

Newman – Ambulance 37-1-58 passes the State EMS certification today. The DM is making arrangements with First Priority so 37-1-59 can go to their shop and have the equipment that needs to be transferred from the old ambulance to the new one. When that has been completed and we have the new ambulance, the new ambulance will have to go to the State for its certification. When this is all completed, the Board will look into selling the old 59.

Williams – The Board attorney completed the final review of the Sutphen contract for the Quint. The contract was signed and mailed today to Sutphen certified-receipt requested. As soon as the Board hears from Sutphen plans will be made for a preconstruction meeting.

Hiers – As was stated in the May 19th minutes, now that the new Bullex fire prevention trailer has arrived, the old FP trailer or smoke house trailer is no longer needed and is deemed as unnecessary equipment and is to be removed from our inventory. The DM moved the trailer to Station 2 with a for sale sign on it. The asking price for the trailer was \$2,000 or best offer, to be sold “as is”. There were some inquires but the DM only received 1 bid for the trailer, that was for \$1,000. The trailer is not in good shape. The Board has decided to let it go. The price is better than if we took it to the junk yard. Hiers offered the resolution to sell the old trailer for \$1,000 to Wayne Falco. It was second by Reu. There were no questions. Roll call vote of Williams, Newman, Reu and Hiers was unanimous in favor of the resolution. The e-mail with the bid price will be attached to these minutes. The FDA will prepare all the paper work.

ORGANIZATION REPORTS:

Chief Nelson – said there will be an “aerial truck placement drill on Saturday. The Chief turned in to the Board 2 new and updated SOG. One on the use of Truck 37-1-88 and one on driver’s training. They are looking forward to the Baltimore Fire Expo next week. The rest of the officers were involved in a work detail that was going on.

Fire Marshal Pujat – thanked all who assisted in the standby for the Township fireworks. He mentioned that the FP trailer will be lettered next week

Captain Beringer – gave the monthly captain’s report for June. He reported 45 total activities for the month, which 37 were emergency calls. Average response time was 5 minutes. A total of 25 Emergency Call Man Hours were experienced. Mutual aid received was 5 times and given was 0 times.


1st Lt. K. Dougherty – reminded everyone that Narcan training will be held on 7/10 at 9 AM and on 7/14 at 7:30 PM here at the fire house. She mentioned that there will 2 webinars on “patient care reporting”. EMS Charts will no longer be supported by the Start.

2nd Lt. P. Dougherty - no report.

District Mechanic Fiorentino was excused from the meeting tonight.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Following the work session, the FM & DFM gave a demo of the FP trailer.


Respectfully Submitted,
J. David Hiers
Fire District Administrator

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