

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

WORK SESSION  
February 1, 2016

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Work Session meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:32 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 March 5, 2015, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 5, 2015.

## **ATTENDANCE:**

The following Board members were present: John Morrow, Scott Nelson and Stuart Newman. Fire District Administrator J. David Hiers, Acting Fire Marshal Craig Flannigan, District Mechanic Chris Sorrentino, and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present. Williams was working the night shift for his company. Reu was tending to a family commitment.

## **EXPENSES:**

**Nelson** - 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. I offer the Resolution to pay the Bills totaling \$27,904.02. It was seconded by Morrow. There were no questions on any of the bills. Roll call vote of Newman, Morrow and Nelson were unanimous in favor of the resolution. Nelson offered the Resolution to transfer funds from the Operating Account to the Payroll Account in the amount of \$35,000. It was seconded by Newman. There were no questions. Roll call vote of Newman, Morrow and Nelson were unanimous in favor of the resolution.

## **BUSINESS:**

**Old:** none

## **New:**

**Nelson** – a reminder that the annual Board of Fire Commissioner's election is on February 20th. Please remind everyone in your organization and their families and friends of the importance of coming out to vote. The passing of the Budget is important for your operations. Every year there is an increasing # of negative votes. This year we have three candidates who are vying for 2 commissioner's seats for the next 3 years. Come out and support the candidates of your choice.

## ORGANIZATION REPORTS:

Fire Chief Kruse: – gave the chief's report for the month of January. He reported 60 activities for the month. Average response time was 6 minutes 7 seconds. Average firefighters per call were 12, for a total of 702 members responding, experiencing 352 total man-hours. Mutual aid was given 4 times and received 1 time. Chief Kruse said that Eatontown FD requesting mutual aid for calls south of Rte. 36. The chief commented on the new floor at Station 2 and thanked them for that.

1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Guarda: not present

2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Fiorentino: thanked the Board for New Year's Day and commented how professional the Oakhurst Fire Company was for Earl Alexander's funeral.

Captain S. Reu: said on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> there will be a Blood Born Pathogens Drill for the members.

1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Edson: not present

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Williams: no report

Acting Fire Marshal Flannigan: said our IT man, Andrew Calvo installed the computer tablet back in 37-1-74. The tablet on 37-1-91 is going to be upgraded to Windows 10. When the breakfast with the Easter Bunny is held, the Fire Prevention Bureau will have the safety trailer in the bays at station #1 for exhibition and demonstration.

First Aid Captain Zimmerman: commented how nice the floor at station came out.

1<sup>st</sup> Lt. P. Dougherty: not present

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. A. Beringer: thanked the Board for the dinner meeting held the other night. It was to be with everyone working together for the same purpose.

Captain Halsey: not present

-District Mechanic Sorrentino: informed us all that the annual maintenance servicing for 37-91-1 will be on Feb.4, 37-1-90 will be on Feb. 9 & 10, 37-1-85 on Feb. 16. Chris stated that the floor at station 2 is complete except for the cove molding base which will be completed this Friday. The pumped valve on 37-1-72 is repaired.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting adjourned 7:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



J. David Hiers

Fire District Administrator

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