

Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 1
Freehold, NJ 07728

Regular Meeting

July 19, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:30pm by Chairman Robert Buscaglia. The notice was read. Flag Salute was lead by the Chief. Roll call was taken. Robert Buscaglia, Charles Buscaglia, Roger Keim and Thomas Caruso were present. Larry Story was not in attendance due to his work schedule. Also in attendance was; Joseph Youssouf, Donna Pujat, Chief Luongo, President AJ Story and other members of the fire company.

Minutes: Mr. C. Buscaglia commented that the \$75.00 for a tow bill noted in the June minutes, was from the insurance company which was not indicated clearly.. A motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded by Mr. Keim to approve the minutes as clarified. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Correspondence: A letter was received regarding from Selective Insurance regarding the tow bill earlier discussed.

Treasurers Report: The report was read into record by C. Buscaglia. Mr. Buscaglia noted that an additional check was received from FEMA in the amount of \$12,000 from the March 2010 storm. This makes a total of \$24,000 received from FEMA for this storm event. A motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded by Mr. Keim to approve the report as presented. A vote was taken, all present voted in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Caruso to pay the bills in the total of \$35,183.64 and to and to transfer \$35,000 from money market into the checking account. A roll call vote was taken, all present voted in the affirmative.

Insurance: A check was received from East Coast in the amount of \$370 for 16-1-67 repairs.

Building: Mr. R. Buscaglia reported that the A/C had again failed at District and he will be making a call to Duckett & Laird for service.

The generators are to be tested at all three Fire Stations on July 20th. This will be testing only, no service, although Smithburg will be scheduled for a "tune up"

Chairman Buscaglia again noted that the pool table at Georgia Road Station must go. Some discussion followed.

The Chairman also noted for the record, furniture for District Hqtrs TV room was purchased at Raymore and Flannigan. He asked that the Chief and President notify the members, if you spill it, clean it up. If this room is found to be misused it will be locked.

Legal: Mr. Youssouf read into record, a resolution approved by title at the June meeting of the board for Scheduling a bond Referendum for the Purchase of Capital Equipment and apparatus. Mr. Youssouf further reported that he published the notice for the meeting, and ordered the notice for absentee ballots. Notices will be posted in 10 public places within the district and record of those locations will be kept for the minutes. Mr. Youssouf will fax the notice to Donna. Donna and Mr. R. Buscaglia will see that postings are done.

Chiefs Report: Chief Luongo read into record, the June 2011 report.

The Chief thanked the Board for the furniture, and indicated that it been announced at the company meeting about taking care of it. The Chief asked about the computer for the Chiefs office. Mr. R. Buscaglia noted that the server was ordered. The Chief reported a problem with an oil leak on the hydraulic pump on 16-1-90 Discussion followed. Chairman Buscaglia indicated that it would be taken care of.

16-1-68 is done. It took a while for the parts to come in, and the Chief indicated that he didn't know what happened. Asst Chief Spicuzza reported that GM Repairs secretary had advised him that Chairman Buscaglia advised them not to order the parts. Mr. Buscaglia indicated that it was not what was said, he advised her to order. He will call her tomorrow and if that is what she said, GM has just lost District #1's business, he will make arrangements at Vanderveers for future maintenance.

Chief Luongo reported that it is in opinion the exhaust should be done for 95 and all other apparatus not previous installed. He added that only diesel apparatus was done. Discussion followed.

The key is broken off in 16-1-93, which has already been repaired. The Chief indicated that the point is, it doesn't matter who broke it or how, it should have been reported.

Gravel Hill Road intersection is being near completion and pre-emption system will be needed.

The Chiefs budget is underway. The Chief requested a final copy of changes and what the Board approves or deletes. He further noted it is important that everyone should be on the same page regarding budgeted items.

Due to the upcoming Baltimore Expo, Freehold Borough Fire Department will be put on dual dispatch from Wednesday at Noon until Sunday at 10am

Asst Chief Prochnow reported that the ladder testing is coming due and asked if three price quotes will be needed. Mr. Youssouf advised, if below \$2,640 do not need quotes.

Presidents Report: President Story reported that the members were spoken to about care of the new furniture. Mr. R. Buscaglia further noted that painting and a room divider will be completed.

President Story also advised the Board that during the work being done by the Gas Company on Siloam Road, trucks were parked in front of the truck bays.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Audience: None

Being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded Mr. Keim by to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm

Respectfully submitted;

Roger Keim, Clerk of the Board