

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT #1
PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS TOWNSHIP
February 24th, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District #1 was called to order by President Jeff Berry at 7:40 pm. Commissioner's Berry, Masker, Jamieson, Ferdinandi and Eisenberg were attendance. Secretary Eisenberg read the minutes of the January meeting which were approved by Masker and seconded by Ferdinandi. All five voted in favor of accepting them as read. Being the start of a new year, the commissioners agreed to maintain the same responsibilities they held in 2015.

Treasurers Report: Bills in the amount of \$62,371.57 were paid. We received the first quarter's payment from EMS. Concerning the bid process for the compressor, Mike Hardy is reviewing.

Phoenix took care of the door sensors, water level sensors and the Knox box.

Truck Report:

615: Operating correctly. Parts of compartment door were given to Jeff Berry to find replacement parts. Charger for the gas meter needs to be replaced.

614: Power window switch in console not working, but the door window is. The arrow stick is not working.

613: Door alarms- still causing some trouble, the rocker starter switch is not always working.

611: The plastic taillight is broken- needs to be replaced- not so easy as it is an old part at this point.

616: Operating correctly

619: Operating correctly- new battery installed

Insurance: 3 bills were paid- life, auto and accident insurance- \$39,761.50

Purchasing : 3 hydrant wrenches, 3 spanner wrenches and 2 portable battery operated scene lights were purchased. 9 fire officer books were purchased.

Radios: Portables were ordered

Fire Prevention: No report- no meetings planned.

Joint Board Meeting: A letter from District 6 could not be discussed due to lack of attendance from District 6. An emergency meeting was held on February 17th at District 3 to discuss District 6's concerns with the dual dispatch program. Their commissioner's apologized for the letter being sent to the Mayor and plan on going back to their Chief to

discuss their concerns. In the meantime, they ask the respective responding companies to stand by in their firehouse until asked to respond to the scene. They will be sending a letter to the Joint Board. Dave Hollner will discuss our response with the District 3 Chief.

Chief's Report: District 5 will be using the bailout window on 2/17/16 .A monthly incentive of \$100 for one fireman will be issued based on their response. The more responses- the better the chance of winning. A personalized shield will be given out. Tablets will begin to be used on calls. A letter to District 3 is being written to install the Gates Court channel in their radios. The dinner contract will be sent back to the Hyatt his week with a deposit. County ID'S are ready to be issued- pictures should be able to be put on in about a month. 10 year ID lists qualifications and is FEMA compliant.

Old Business: Elections went well- Eisenberg and Jamieson were re-elected and the budget passed. Need to plan on buying new bunker gear in the near future.

New Business: The Simpson Avenue phone is gone. Jim suggested we switch from Verizon to optimum, which will give us a savings of approx. \$120/month. Bob Jamieson made a motion to maintain the law office of Peter King and the auditing services of Nisivoccia and Co. Motion was seconded by Eisenberg and all 5 voted in favor. A discussion began concerning a new generator at Powdermill. We have the choice to go with natural gas or diesel. The first averaging approx. \$15,600 vs \$20,778. A new pad would need to be poured some plumbing and electrical updated. We'll do a gas survey first to see if there is enough flow to support a natural gas generator. The town is quickly moving to lift the deed restrictions so we can offer our property for sale. We are encouraging the neighbor to get an appraisal as well.

Since there was no further business, a motion to close the meeting was made by masker and seconded by Jamieson at 9:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Eisenberg
Secretary