

**Board of Fire Commissioners District #1**  
**August 25, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #1 was held on Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at the Tarn Drive Firehouse. The meeting commenced at **7:33PM** with Commissioner Berry presiding. Commissioners Ferdinandi, Masker, Tagliente and Jamieson were in attendance. Chief Crawford, Deputy Chief Herrmann, and Captain Masker attended as representatives of the Department.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read by Commissioner Tagliente and approved with minor corrections via a motion made by Commissioner Jamieson, seconded by Commissioner Ferdinandi, and passed via unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 2021 declaring operating expenses of **\$23,997.25** was read and distributed for all Commissioners to review and provide comments. No deposits were received. Receipts for petty cash in the amount of **\$933.42** were submitted, audited, and approved. No comments or objections were made.

The Treasurer's Report was approved via a motion made by Commissioner Jamieson, seconded by Commissioner Tagliente, and passed via unanimous vote.

**Truck Report:**

- **Tower 11:** Hydraulic leak was found earlier today;
- **Engine 12:** No issues;
- **Engine 13:** Seat belt alarm and door sensor are triggering;
- **Rescue 14:** TIC is not holding a charge; suspension and A/C require service; truck will be scheduled to have service performed in August or October;
- **Engine 15:** Decision still pending on rust quote;
- **Utility 16:** Battery was dead, likely due to circuit breaker tripping;
- **Car 18:** No issues; and
- **Car 19:** No issues.

**Radio Report:** Motorola/Spectrum will accept a trade in for some of our pagers that we do not need.

The Department is testing out the Rover app, which is integrated with and sponsored by the County.

Parsippany PD dispatching has been sending mutual aid prior to/without it being requested by the primary agency. This is against the agreed-upon policy. Mike Peoples (County Dispatch) will be attending the September Joint Chief's meeting to discuss this further.

**Insurance:** \$250 was returned for the policy on Engine 13.

**Purchasing:** Contract has been signed for the inspection dinner. No deposit paid due to previous deposit from 2020 still being on the account. New date for the inspection dinner will be May 7, 2022.

There will be some landscaping done to clean up the property prior to the building ceremony & wetdown.

A quote for four air reels and installation was received for a total of \$2,731.00. Further research will be performed and more quotes will be obtained.

**Fire Prevention:** Fire Prevention plans to visit the schools in October pending COVID situation.

**Joint Commissioner Board:** The next Joint Commissioner Board meeting will be held at District #3's Firehouse on Wednesday, October 6, 2021.

**Chief's Report / Open:** 233 calls year-to-date.

- New Construction

- 2900 Route 10 project (156 Units)
  - No updates. No response in approximately 3 months.
- 1500 Littleton Road project (250 Senior Apartments + Assisted Living)
  - Demo should be starting end of September or early October.
  - Department will be requesting access to use the property for training purposes prior to.
- 2740 Route 10
  - No updates.
- Upcoming Training:
  - 8/26 – CAFS Training w/E1 part 2
  - 9/2 – Clean Up for Boonton Parade
  - 9/16 – Prep for Wetdown/Fit Testing
  - 9/23 – Prep for Wetdown
  - 1 Member currently in FF2
  - 1 Member completed and passed FF1
  - We are approved as a training facility per NJ DFS
  - 5 Members taking Fire Instructor 1 in September
- Mutual Aid
  - 21% of our total call volume is going to D2 for Mutual Aid YTD
  - 8/18 – Morris Twp 2nd Alarm Fire in warehouse (Task Force Cover and to scene)
- Sizing 2 members for new gear
- Purchased new traffic control lighting at FDIC
- Purchased new CO/LEL meters at FDIC for 12, 13 & 15
- Radios/Dispatching
  - Many issues remain with dispatching SOP's with PPD
  - Regarding the Littleton Road Run Cards for MVA's, hoping to have it hashed out by September Chiefs meeting per Lt. Pomroy. Initial email on this topic sent October 2020.
  - Chief Crawford met with MCCC Director Mike Peoples on 8/25 regarding issues with PPD and cooperation issues on their end. Director Peoples will be attending the September Joint Chiefs meeting to attempt to resolve outstanding issues.
  - PPD is not waiting for "rip and run" for mutual aid requests now, just sending resources.

**Old Business:** Inspection for state facility certification was completed for the Tarn Drive Firehouse.

LED lights have finally been corrected inside the firehouse.

Solutions need to be identified for turning the air conditioner on outside of pre-scheduled hours.

Certificate of Occupancy for the new building has been obtained. EMS may begin occupancy in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter.

**New Business:** None.

**Resolutions:** No resolutions were presented or voted on.

Being no further business, a Motion to Close was made by Commissioner Masker, seconded by Commissioner Tagliente, and carried via a unanimous vote at **8:35PM**.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Daniel A. Tagliente  
Commissioner / Clerk