

Board of Fire Commissioners District #1
October 27, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #1 was held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at the Tarn Drive Firehouse. The meeting commenced at **7:30PM** with Commissioner Berry presiding. Commissioners Jamieson, Tagliente, Masker, and Ferdinandi were also in attendance. Chief Crawford 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 **\$74,618.78**, was read and distributed for all Commissioners to review and provide comments. No deposits were received. Receipts in the amount of **\$966.81** for petty cash were reimbursed after being received and audited. No comments or objections were made.

Commissioner Masker provided a proposed budget for 2022 for the Board to review. The budget will be read and discussed under New Business.

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:** Door handle fixed, small compartment door fixed, ladder cables replaced, leak is expected to be a major repair;
- **Engine 12:** Status quo;
- **Engine 13:** Punch list issues have been corrected;
- **Rescue 14:** TIC is not holding a charge; suspension and A/C require service;
- **Engine 15:** New committee formed;
- **Utility 16:** Stocked with MVA equipment;
- **Car 18:** No issues; and
- **Car 19:** Battery died, being looked at this week.

Radio Report: County radio system is making progress on being ready.

There are still inconsistencies with dispatching from Parsippany PD, including issues still with Littleton Road MVAs.

Numbers were received for a pager trade-in to upgrade unused pagers to a newer model.

The remote radio unit on 13 is not working but will be fixed.

Insurance: No report.

Purchasing: Engine 15 needs a new AED and additional ones will need to be purchased for the building.

Fire Prevention: Fire Prevention and members/trucks visited the local schools in October.

Joint Commissioner Board: The next Joint Commissioner Board meeting will be held at District #4's Firehouse on Wednesday, December 1, 2021.

Chief's Report / Open: 305 calls year-to-date.

- New Construction
 - 2900 Route 10 project (156 Units)
 - No updates. No response in approximately 5 months.
 - 1500 Littleton Road project (250 Senior Apartments + Assisted Living)
 - No updates

- 2740 Route 10
 - No updates.
- Upcoming Training:
 - 10/28 – Mask Confidence & 2:1 Rope System
 - 11/4 - VEIS with District 6 at PM
 - 11/18 - TBD
 - 1 Member currently in FF2
 - 5 Members completed Fire Instructor Level 1
 - May be joining District 3 at a Class A burn in November
- Mutual Aid
 - 22% of our total call volume is going to District 2 for Mutual Aid YTD
 - Concerned with Mutual Aid directly around us. Seeing issues countywide with response and manpower.
- Equipment
 - Looked at 2 different TIC's at live burn, not thrilled with either. Have a third to try out.
 - Many equipment manufacturers increased 5-10% in last 6 months

Old Business: The Township still has not signed a lease to put an ambulance in the bay at Tarn Drive.

New Business: The budget was read and discussed in detail.

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 **8:55PM**.

Respectfully Submitted,
Daniel A. Tagliente
Commissioner / Clerk