

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
FIRE DISTRICT NO 1  
FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP, NJ**

**Regular Meeting**

**September 25, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:33pm by Chairman Robert Buscaglia.

Notice was read and the flag salute was lead by Chief Prochnow. Roll call was taken; Mr. Story, Mr. Caruso, Mr. Joshi, Mr. C. Buscaglia and Mr. R. Buscaglia, were all present. Also in attendance was Chief Wayne Prochnow, President Marcondes and Donna Pujat and other members of the Fire Company. Joseph Youssouf was not in attendance.

A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by Mr.Caruso to approve the August minutes as presented. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

**Correspondence:** Mr. R. Buscaglia noted that at the last meeting, the Board did not have all pages of the contract from Jack Purvis for proposed building renovations. Mr. Purvis provided another copy, and the board will act on the contract tonight.

**Treasurers Report:** Mr. C. Buscaglia read the report into record A motion was made by Mr. Story and seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the report as presented. A roll call vote was taken, all present voted in the affirmative.. A motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Story to pay the bills in the total of \$49,677.57 and to transfer \$45,000 from Money Market into checking. A roll call vote was taken, all present voted in the affirmative.

**Insurance:** A rebate check was received from the “old” Tahoe in the amount of \$422.00

**Chiefs Report:** Chief Prochnow read into record, Chiefs reports from August. The Chief gave a bill to the Board from Auto Image for auto start for Asst Chief Spicuzza’s car. It was discussed that a bill or voucher had never been received. Mr. C. Buscaglia will contact them. The Chief reported that Dan Korba had been released from the Fire Company. A letter of resignation had been received from Scott Bucanin and as of October, Dwight Farios Rios would also be out of the company. Chief Prochnow reported that Dan Petersen had taken 79 to 1<sup>st</sup> Priority to have the dumper covers installed. Upon installation, they indicated that it would be an additional \$200, due to something needing to be changed for install. The Chief requested that the first three spaces in the parking lot be labeled –Officers Parking. Discussion followed. Mr. R. Buscaglia is going to check into having the lots labeled –firemans parking, he will also check into Officers parking. Open House is scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup>, 12-4pm and the Chief invited the Board. The Chief asked when his budget needed to be ready. Discussion followed. A budget workshop meeting will be held on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm Donna will post. Mr. C. Buscaglia advised the Chief that an invoice had been received from Edwards Tires in the amount of \$7,700 with no voucher.

**Building:** Discussion was held on the draping proto-col in honor of deceased members. The drapes are currently up in honor of Ada Conk and Ex-Chief Yaeger for a total of 30 days, not concurrent. Drapes will come done next week.

Mr. C. Busgalia reported that Bruce Norman will come in the reglue the wallpaper in the hallway. He gave a price to re-sheetrock the hallway in the amount of \$1,475 A motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Story to have the work done. All present voted in the affirmative.

**President's Report:** President Marcondes reported that he has two sets of photos from various fire company activities, firefighter competition, santa runs, etc. He asked if the Board wanted a set.

Mr. R. Buscaglia asked the President what had happened to the name plaques. Jon reported that when received, they were damaged and sent back. He will check on them again, Asst Chief Spicuzza was handling that.

The President asked when the budget for Smithburg was due. The Board advised the President to attend the scheduled meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Kevin Keane had requested that Jon relay his thanks for the cancer car wash held at District. The car wash profited \$1,000

Jon reported that originally he thought he could have the members scrape and paint the bays at Smithburg, but, the company just doesn't have the equipment to do it. He would like to have it done and had received two prices; \$7,500 & \$9,500 The Board advised him to ask for a price from Bruce Norman as well.

**Old Business:** Mr. C. Buscaglia reported on the light at the intersection of Gravel Hill Road & Route #524. He added that the County and Signal Control have been going back and forth regarding the equipment. Also, the intersection of Professional Park Drive and Route #537 needed to be completed. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by Mr. Caruso to have both intersections completed. Roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

President Marcondes asked the Board about book reimbursement for members attending college for Fire Science. The Board advised that would come from the Fire Company.

The President reported that some of the members are concerned about what their coverage is as a driver for the fire company, and requested a copy of the liability police. Discussion followed. Mr. C. Buscaglia will get specifics, but reported he will not provide a copy of the policy.  
abstained.

**New Business:** Mr. R. Buscaglia reported on Netlinks regarding the District website. He reported that they will do everything; minutes, budget, audit, etc for \$200 per moth. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Mr. R. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Caruso to use Netlinks. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

A letter had been received from the Chief deeming light bars and fans surplus equipment. One of the large fans will be used at Smithburg, and Mr. Joshi noted that he believes Freehold Boro is interested in the light bars. Mr. Joshi will request a letter from the Boro.

**Audience:** None

Being no further business, at 8:11 a motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Story to close the meeting.

At 8:12, a motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded by Mr. Story to re-open the meeting to move on the contract for the Architect. Upon review, a motion was made by Mr. Story and seconded by Mr. Caruso to bring Mr. Purvis in for a meeting with the Board to go over renovation plans. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative, except Mr. Joshi who abstained.

With no further business, a motion was made and seconded to close the meeting at 8:14pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Larry Story, Secy of the Board

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