

DELRAN TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 24, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Delran Township Fire District No. 1 was held on Tuesday evening May 24, 2016 at the Fire District Office.

The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

The President announced that this meeting is being conducted within the provisions of N.J.S.10-4.6 to N.J.S. 10:4-41 titled Open Public Meetings and that the time and place has been posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Buildings, and was advertised in the Burlington County Times on February 25, 2016.

Other members of the Board of Fire Commissioners and appointed persons present were Commissioners James Bauer, James Turcich, Dave Kinney, Joseph Parento, Chief Joseph Cunningham, Deputy Chief #231 John Martino, Deputy Chief #232 Kevin Peak, Solicitor Carmine Saginario, and Insurance Broker Ryan Jones. Fire Official Walt Bauer was excused.

James Turcich made a motion, which was seconded by Dave Kinney to approve the minutes of April 26, 2016 meeting. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was approved unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

All communications received were distributed to the board. First United Methodist Church and Cub Scouts Pak #17 were issued campfire permits this month.

SECRETARY

The outboard motor bid was due May 24 at 12 noon. One bid was received. The Clerk opened the bid that was from Dredge Harbor Yacht Basin for \$33,360.09. James Turcich made a motion, which was seconded by Dave Kinney to accept the bid for \$33,360.09 from Dredge Harbor Yacht Basin. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was carried.

CHIEF

The Chief submitted his written report. (See attached)
We responded to 37 calls in May.

Most notable calls we responded to this month:
May 16 – Tenby Town Apartment-dryer fire
May 20 – District 70 for a building fire

May 23- Edgewater Park-building fire
Responded to numerous MVA's throughout the month

We will attend the Memorial Day Parades in Riverside and Delanco. The department passed the RTK (Right To Know) inspection.

DEPUTY CHIEF #231

John Martino reported that some of the members went to Harrisburg, P.A. to look at some firetrucks; a demo firetruck was brought to the firehouse May 22 to look at.

DEPUTY CHIEF #232

Kevin Peak reported that members attended a First Responder arson drill at Riverside Fire Department May 23. He is in the process of getting quotes for pagers, portable chargers for the trucks; and demo atmospheric monitors.

LINE OFFICERS-no report

APPARATUS OFFICER

Kevin Peak reported that #2324 check engine light is on, Fire Safety will be out to check the problem. The cascade truck's bottles are in the engineer's room.

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT

Jim Bauer reported that he investigated the dryer fire at Tenby Town Apartments that occurred May 16.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Carmine Saginario reviewed and revised the outboard motor bid proposal. He also reported that effective December 1, 2016 the federal government will mandate The Fair Labor Standards Act in which exempt employees who are paid less than \$47,000 annually will receive overtime pay from their employer if they work over 40 hours in a pay period.

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Joe Cunningham reported that he is starting to get quotes for various equipment that was budgeted for the year. One pair of bunker pants is out for repair.

STATION TRUSTEE REPORT

#232- The gap between the sidewalk and wall on the front side entrance is leaking into the gym and needs to be sealed.

#231- The hood suppression system needs cleaning.

INSURANCE

Ryan Jones submitted his written report. (See attached).

EMERGENCY SQUAD- no report.

MASTER PLAN- no report.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

#231- Jim Bauer reported that we would work on the concrete ramp bid specifications. The township is proposing to repave Cleveland Avenue and include the repaving of the firehouse parking lot as an add/alternate on the township bid for the repaving work. Jeff Hatcher will need to work out the details and once he has that ready, they will get back to the Board. Jim Bauer also reported that the landscapers are working on a couple projects. The fence around the generator needs to be replaced.

PUBLIC RELATION

The department will be participating to 2 Memorial Day parades, and the Relay for Life is coming up June 4 at the Delran High School from 1 pm to 1 am.

A press release from Senator Booker's office was sent to the Burlington County Times about Delran Fire Department receiving the grant.

OFFICE SPACE & EQUIPMENT- progress

CHIEF'S DINNER/BUSINESS RECOGNITION- no report.

FIRE PREVENTION- no report.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT- no report

UNIFORMS

Joe Parento received his new Class A uniform.

SAFETY- no report.

GRANT

Joe Cunningham was happy to report that the fire department was awarded a Round 3 DHS Assistance to Firefighters FY2015 Grant (AFG) Award. The Operations and Safety award appears to have a federal share of \$228,705.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

James Turcich made the motion, which was seconded by Joe Parento to pay all bills presented. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by James Bauer and seconded by Dave Kinney to accept the Treasurers report. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was carried.

WEB PAGE

Jim Bauer reported that the committee met May 23 and discussed the progress of the web page. He asked the chiefs that if anyone wants to have their picture taken for the members section of the web page to contact him.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Hurricane Irene FEMA reimbursement payment.

NEW BUSINESS

Lt. Scott Seybert has asked Deputy Chief John Martino if they could take out the AM/FM radio in the 1992 Seagrave and put it in #2311. Chief Joe Cunningham responded by saying that no wires will be cut and have the EVT look at it; other than that the Chief and Board agreed that it is OK. Joe Cunningham also said that two chocks on the 1992 Seagrave are missing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

James Bauer made a motion, which was seconded by Jim Turcich, to enter into closed session under N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 to discuss personnel matters (workers' compensation) as well as to request legal advice on various organizational and policy matters including a potential workplace violence policy. It was stated that the matters to be discussed will be made public when the interests of the District no longer exist to retain the matters as confidential.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Deputy Chief Peak reported that Station #232 would like to take #2324 to Wildwood for the parade, he also said that he like to take #2324 to couple of other parades before Wildwood to get a feel of judging of the truck.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

James Turcich advised all officers who have the authority to purchase to e-mail the treasurer and the fire commissioner in charge of that committee for approval first before purchasing. The company will be responsible for the bill, if this procedure is not followed.

As there was no further business to discuss, James Bauer made a motion that was seconded by Dave Kinney to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 pm. The Board was polled. The motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela M. Bauer
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Clerk of the Board