

DELRAN TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
CAUCUS MEETING
January 9, 2024

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Delran Township Fire District No. 1 was held on Tuesday evening January 9, 2024 at the Fire District Office.

President Joseph Parento, commencing with the flag salute, 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 and Courier Post on March 5, 2023.

Other members of the Board and appointed persons present were Commissioners Anthony Quaciari, James Bauer, Joseph Seybert, and James Turcich. Also present were: Deputy Chief Kevin Peak, Bat. Chief/ Fire Marshall Joseph Cunningham, Jr., Batt. Chief Scott Seybert, Vice President of 231 Forman Shemeley, LT Ralph Bensel and Clerk Elizabeth Briggs.

At 7:31 PM the meeting was deferred from the normal business to hold a ceremonial swearing in of Commissioner Seybert and Commissioner Bauer.

The meeting continued with normal business at 7:34 PM.

COMMUNICATIONS: Nothing to report.

SECRETARY: We are still working on driver's training program resolution.

CHIEF: A to Z will be out on Thursday the 18th to start fitting the members for the jackets.

DEPUTY CHIEF: Report is attached.

STATION 231 BATTALION CHIEF: We are working on using some other ways to help keep track of the percentages. The new system is much different than the old system. January 19th Fire and Safety will be coming to our station to discuss the truck we are interested in.

STATION 232 BATTALION CHIEF: Report is on file.

OTHER LINE OFFICER'S REPORTS: LT Bensel: all the office furniture and the trophy cases are completed at the Bridgeboro Station.

STATION PRESIDENTS: 231 Vice President Shemeley: The president has requested the amount of funds that has been allotted in capital items for the station. The board informed him that there was nothing appropriated.

TRUSTEES: The Bridgeboro station has a list of things that need to be completed throughout the year. We definitely need new doors for the back of the building. There is also lights out in the back parking lot that need to be fixed. Bill Foster is supposed to be looking at that.

FIRE POLICE: The state fire police dinner will be at the Bridgeboro station on January 19th. January 24th is the county fire police meeting at Lenola.

FIRE OFFICIAL/ FIRE PREVENTION: The yearend report was finalized and sent in on January 3rd.

DEPUTY FIRE OFFICIAL: Report is attached.

OEM- Nothing to report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: We assisted with the Green Team walk on New Year's Day. Both stations have Riverside's sports night teams at them for a month starting in February.

OFFICE SPACE & EQUIPMENT: Nothing to report.

FIRE EQUIPMENT: The 4 new Thermal imaging cameras that were ordered have been received.

MASTER PLANNING: There will be a meeting in February.

APPARATUS: 2315's check engine light goes on and then turns off after a few minutes. Everything was checked and seems to be okay. It seems to happen every year around this time so it could just be a bad sensor. 2329 is still at Campbell's. 2328 was out at the shop from the odor of gas. There was nothing wrong. They think someone overfilled the tank. The FM truck is going to be looked at next week for the heat and AC going on and off. 2324 is having pump issues. It will intermittently work and not work.

UNIFORMS: 2 Requests have been filled.

SAFETY: Nothing to report.

WEBSITE: Nothing to report.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: We are working on the proposal for the heater at the Chester Ave. station. We need to look into replacing the windows on the roof as well. There were 3 patches done on the roof. Tonight they noticed a leak in the Ladies Aux. room. The heating unit at the Bridgeboro station has been fixed. The thermostat in the meeting room needs to be replaced. The tube heater in the bay still needs to be fixed. They are waiting on 2 parts for that.

GRANT: 3 electricians have been out to look at and give a quote for the electric hook up for the gear washers and dryers.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

January 16th will be the meeting to adopt the budget.

We need an addendum to the minutes from December for the Treasurer to be able to appropriate funds as needed for 2024.

JIF has run into problems with HIPPA when they send information for a claim. We will have one contact person but also need to have a specific computer or fax machine for that.

We are looking into funds to get computers for each station. We may only be able to get 2 at a time.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

The current bills for January \$30,752

A motion was made by Commissioner Turcich and seconded by Commissioner Quaciari to pay all bills present. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS: Maggie and Liz have been looking into the water dispensers and cost of renting the machines as opposed to purchasing them.

The department has looked into renting or purchasing a FIT testing machine in the past. It may be beneficial for us to look into that again. We have more and more people that join and need it to be done before the mobile unit is coming for the year.

We will be hosting Fire fighter II class in May. We have 22 members interested in the class at \$225 per person.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Nothing to report.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bauer, which was seconded by Commissioner Quaciari, to approve the December 19 meeting minutes with the addition of the addendum from James Turcich. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was approved.

Commissioner Bauer: Congratulations to Joe Seybert from Ang and I. I would like to be excused from the meeting on the 23rd due to the Fire fighter graduation.

All the commissioners congratulated both Commissioner Bauer and Commissioner Seybert on their election to the Board.

There was no further business to discuss so a motion was made by Commissioner Turcich and seconded by Commissioner Quaciari to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Delran Fire Department

Deputy Chiefs Report

January 9, 2024

DFD ended the year with 699 calls for service!

We are currently at 9 Calls for service to date for 2024.

Some notable incidents since the last meeting:

12/28 – Ladder 2315 was dispatched to Edgewater Park for an apartment fire however did not street the apparatus, however a crew in the Chester Ave station staged in house incase the need for other apparatus were needed or for a call in or around our area.

12/28 – E2312 responded into Willingboro for a house fire. Crews arrived and were released soon after.

12/31 – E2312 responded into Moorestown for a building fire at Lockheed Martin. They were soon recalled due to the nature of the call.

1/2/24 – DFD along with mutual aid responded to 161 Whitmarsh way for a dwelling fire. DC2301 arrived to find smoke coming from Division A first floor and also Division C. With reports of a basement fire, E2321 arrived first on scene within 3 minutes of dispatch and stretched a handline to the basement. An aggressive offensive attack was made and the fire was held to the basement. The fire was brought under control within 25 minutes of being placed. S2324 arrived shortly after and secured the water supply. FM23, DFM23 and the County Fire Marshall conducted their investigations.

Thank you to all of the board members again for your help to make 2023 another successful year both on and off the firegrounds. I look forward to continuing our work along with the Chief.

Kevin F. Peak
Deputy Chief; Fire Operations
Delran Fire Department; Delran Fire District #1



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January Commissioners Meeting

Battalion Chiefs Report

January 9th, 2024

We ended 2023 with 699 incidents. 2024 didn't waste any time sending calls our way. We've already had our first structure for the year. We increased call volume by over 100 calls from 2020.

The following probationary firefighters have begun Firefighter 1: Jestyn Reynoso & Omar Aydin.

The department officers have met and planned out the next 6-month schedule for drills. If you have any ideas or would like to see anything, please email it to me and I will try and get it on the schedule for a department or station drill. Please attend often and frequently for these drills! It only benefits you and the department as a whole!

Drivers Training Instructor Bauer and I are working on the list of training for the department drivers. Now that we're through the busy part of the year we will be scheduling the CEVO driving days. This will be MANDATORY for all drivers including utilities.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Cunningham Jr.
Battalion Chief

FIRST Workers' Compensation Claim Contacts

Susan Wiener <SWiener@rlminc.org>

Wed 1/3/2024 1:44 PM

To: Susan Wiener <SWiener@rlminc.org>

Cc: Barbara Murphy <BMurphy@rlminc.org>

Dear Fund Commissioners,

Following the discussion at today's executive committee meeting on secure communication for workers' compensation claims, we are confirming the authorized individuals in your fire district who would receive communications from Medlogix (FIRST's managed care) and Highland Claims (FIRST's third-party administrator).

Please provide the position/title and preferred secure contact methods (email and/or fax number) for these authorized individuals to receive correspondence regarding your fire districts' workers' compensation claims.

Authorized Workers' Compensation Claim Contacts	
Primary Contact Name:	
Position/Title:	
Email:	
Secure Fax Number:	
Secondary Contact Name:	
Position/Title:	
Email:	
Secure Fax Number:	

Please feel free to contact our office if you have any questions. We will be working with both on better ways to have confidential information sent to you.

Regards,

Susan Wiener
Administrator's Office
609-275-1155 x135

Water Jug and Dispenser

Ready Refresh

Fire District

Water Dispenser - \$19.89/month.....\$238.68/year
Deer Park 5 Gallon Jug - \$15.49/each
Deer Park and/or Poland Spring - \$8.99/case of 24
Splash Blast - \$11.99/each
Delivery - \$9.99

Station #2

Water Dispenser - 2 @ \$19.89/month
Pallet of Water - \$701.22/78 cases
Every other month
Delivery - \$11.99

Station #1

No Dispensers

W.B. Mason

Water Dispenser - \$254.09/each.....Own it not renting
5 Gallon Jug - \$16.99/each.....can be returned and reused
24 ct Case of water - \$20.98/each

Sam's Club

Water Dispenser - \$150-\$200/each.....own it
Case of water - \$6.54/each.....case of 40
Member's Mark Purified Drinking Water Pallet (40 bottles per case, 48 cases)

CURRENT PRICE: \$459.00

Pure Life Purified Water, Plastic Bottled Water Pallet (16.9 fl. oz. bottles, 35 pk.)

CURRENT PRICE: \$533.00