

**DELRAN BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
CAUCUS MEETING  
December 10th, 2024**

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Delran Township Fire District #1 was held on Tuesday evening, December 10th, 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 Building, and was advertised in the Courier Post on October 23, 2024.

Other members of the Board of Fire Commissioners and appointed persons present were Commissioners James Bauer, James Turcich and Joseph Seybert. Commissioner Anthony Quaciari was absent. Also present were: Chief Joseph Cunningham Sr., Deputy Chief Kevin Peak, 231 Battalion Chief Scott Seybert, 232 Battalion Chief/Fire Marshall Joseph Cunningham Jr, 232 Lt Burak Dugme, 232 Lt Hugh Pierce, 231 Lt Ralph Bensel, 231 Trustee Richard Rossner and Clerk Maggie Suter.

A motion was made by J Turcich, seconded by J Bauer to accept the November 26th meeting minutes pending Solicitor Carmen's response.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Chief Cunningham Sr was given a contract from Riverside Sewer Authority for allowing J Conard Sr to respond to calls while on the clock.

**SECRETARY:** Nothing to report

**CHIEF:** Report was read and is on file.  
2393 is having issues charging, we will send it to PL Customs.

**DEPUTY CHIEF:** Report was read and is on file.

**STATION 231 BATTALION CHIEF:** No Report

**STATION 232 BATTALION CHIEF:** The Green team would like to have their beginning of year bonfire at Lake Loni, January 1st at 1pm. Sign ups will be posted.  
Tonight was Gary Catrobone and Tyler Burrells last Township meeting as Town Council Members.

**OTHER LINE OFFICERS:**

**B Dugme** - No Report

**H Pierce** - No Report

**R Bensel** - Dropped off 10 bags of oil dry to each station and a new battery was put in 2317

**STATION PRESIDENTS:** None in attendance

**TRUSTEES:**

**Richard Rossner** - New emergency lights were put up at the Bridgeboro St Station.

**FIRE OFFICIAL/ FIRE PREVENTION:**

Just finished going over inspections with the state.

Year end report will be submitted the first week of January.

At Winterfest we had 4 food trucks, 2 open fire permits, tent permits and a fire investigation.

One key thing to look for, if you see a contractor on location that we did not call, contact the police. They can not speak to the homeowners between 8am-6pm

**OEM:** N/A

**FIRE POLICE:**

**R Rossner** - thanks station 2 for hosting the November meeting. No meeting in December, not sure where the January meeting is yet

Jan 17th will be the State meeting

**BUILDING & GROUNDS:**

Waiting on a response to replace the roof top unit on 2321.

Landscaping Bid - J Bauer and J Parento would like to meet with J Bailey to go over the contract

Still waiting on parts for the Hose Reel for 2319s bay

**MASTER PLANNING:** No Report

**FIRE APPARATUS/Equipment:**

The treasurer approved for the door to get fixed on 2329 as well as the rear main seal on 2328.

One of the Milwaukee lights was damaged at the Fire on Ridgewood.

**UNIFORMS:** No uniform requests

**Public Relations:** Winterfest was last week. Santa will be taken around town on the 21st.

**GRANT:** Our grant should be submitted next week.

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT:**

The total bills: \$38,825.27

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

**TREASURER:** No Report

**Office Space:** No Report

**Webpage:** No issues to report.

J Bauer would like to get with the attorney to see what we need to have on the web page as far as OPRA request forms.

**OLD BUSINESS:** N/A

**NEW BUSINESS:**

J Cunningham Sr will contact the attorney to see where we stand with the interviews that were done earlier in the year.

A motion was made by Commissioner J Turcich, seconded by Commissioner J Seybert to approve the 2025 Budget. All Ayes. The motion was carried.

The board will adopt the budget on January 28th

J Turcich asked the board for permission to add M Suter and E Briggs to the Payroll Contacts in case he is not available. The board would like to add J Seybert as that contact person.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** no public comments

**BOARD COMMENTS:**

Commissioner J Bauer thanks everyone for coming out for the drivers training retraining. Classroom part for the retrain will be in February, the others will be early spring.

All of the commissioners wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

There was no further business to discuss so a motion was made by Commissioner J Seybert, seconded by Commissioner J Bauer to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Maggie Suter*  
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### Delran Fire Department Deputy Chiefs Report

December 9, 2024

We are currently at 773 Calls for service to date.

Some notable incidents over the last month:

December 2<sup>nd</sup> – S2324 originally responded to Station 313 for a cover assignment and then while enroute to the cover the assignment was upgraded to the next alarm bringing in the Sqrts to the scene. Crews stood by for manpower and help to assist with on scene needs.

December 5<sup>th</sup> – DFD responded to the area of Route 130 South and Fairview Street for an MVC. Upon arrival crews secured fluids from one vehicle and supplied apparatus to close down route 130 SB and also turn lanes on Fairview Blvd.

December 6<sup>th</sup> – E2321 responded to Tim Hortons in Cinnaminson for an upgraded structure fire. Crews responded and staged and were released shortly after by command.

December 6<sup>th</sup> – DFD along with mutual aid responded to 21 Ridgewood Drive for a structure assignment. This was just prior to the start of Winterfest in Delran and crews were in house and on scene within a matter of minutes. First arriving had smoke coming from the garage and front eaves of the house. Initial reports were that there was a fire around the wood burning stove. Crews located and quickly extinguished the fire limiting extension that already existed. Crews remained on scene assisting homeowners with property retrieval and assistance to the FM.

December 7<sup>th</sup> – E2321 covered Lenola station 313 while they operated on a working house fire in Maple Shade. Crews covered for about an hour until released by command.

December 7<sup>th</sup> – DFD responded to the area of Bridgeboro Road and Hidden acres lane for an overturned MVC with one still inside the vehicle. R2329 arrived and cut out the front windshield of the truck to allow the occupant to walk out under their own power and was turned over to EMS.

December 7<sup>th</sup> – Chief 2300 and Engine 2312 responded out to cover Station 272 while they operated on working house fire in their local. Crews were tasked with other duties during that cover, and then were brought in to assist with duties on the fire scene. Crews were out of town for about 4-5 hours.



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December 8<sup>th</sup> – R2329 along with myself and Chief 2300 responded to Cinnaminson for a motor vehicle accident with entrapment in front of Popeyes on Route 130 and Taylors Lane. First arriving units had one off the road way and one on its side with negative entrapment. R2329's crew assisted Cinnaminson's crews in clearing the roadway to reopen lanes of travel and also assist with traffic control.

Even though we were operating at our structure assignment, Brush 2316 and R2329 along with fire police vehicles and utilities from both stations were able to handle needs at the event such as monitor the bon fire, provide transportation for Santa, and assist with foot traffic across Chester Avenue.

DFD officers will be meeting this month to put together the first have of the years drill schedule for the year 2025.

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