

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT No. 1
Bridgewater Township
PO Box 109, MARTINSVILLE, N. J. 08836**

Martinsville Station # 1
Martinsville, NJ
September 8, 2015

Meeting Minutes of the September 8, 2015 BOFC District #1 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm by Chairman Natalizio, who gave notice of the Sunshine Law requirements. Present were Commissioners: Mr. Natalizio, Mr. Rose, Mr. Patullo, Mr. Lichtig and Mr. Kalafsky. Also present were Chief Bradley and Dep. Chief Cowley.

The minutes of the August 11, 2015 meeting were distributed via e-mail and hard copy. A motion was made by Mr. Rose to approve, second by Mr. Lichtig and passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's report for August 2015, as of September 8, 2015, was presented by Mr. Rose; a motion was made by Mr. Kalafsky to approve, second by Mr. Patullo and passed unanimously.

The bills for August 2015, up to September 8, 2015 were presented by Mr. Rose. A motion to approve all presented bills was made by Mr. Kalafsky, second by Mr. Patullo and passed unanimously.

- The meeting was opened to the public at 8:03 pm. It was requested that all wishing to speak must stand and state their name and address.

With no one from the public wishing to be heard, the public portion of the meeting was closed at 8:04 pm.

Correspondence:

Various advertisements and bills which were delivered to the proper parties.

The New Jersey State Association of Fire Districts June 6, 2015 Quarterly Meeting Minutes.

No other correspondence was available.

The Chief's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Rose to approve the August 2015 Chief's Report, second by Mr. Kalafsky and passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Martinsville Rescue Squad:

Mr. Howard Bixler, Trustee of the Martinsville Volunteer Rescue Squad (MVRS), requested to present a PowerPoint presentation substantiating the need and request for partial funding from the BOFC District # 1 and District #3 for a new ambulance rig. (PowerPoint presentation in print attached)

Mr. Bixler discussed that he has talked to Mr. Braslow about "Shared Ownership."

Scheduling of purchase, divided ownership with shared services and longevity of the rig was also discussed.

Additional information from Mr. Braslow was requested and will be needed for further discussion.

The MVRS will be approaching District #3 next week and present the same request.

Inventory labels have been ordered and will be delivered prior to the October meeting.

Insurance and LOSAP:

LOSAP:

Everyone who is eligible and submitted applications for LOSAP is in the new Lincoln Plan. Mr. Braslow will be the intermediary for the transfer of funds.

Mr. Braslow said that for all of the vested members no longer active, their funds can stay in Harleysville and become a private account no longer associated with the BOFC.

Insurance:

The final check has been submitted.

Janelle Roper has submitted a claim for an injury to her back at a fire call. Mr. Natalizio will follow-up with the claim.

Membership and Personnel:

Jack Bradley has become a full member at this time.

Trucks Out of District:

September 11th at the Township building for a memorial service.

Bridgewater Joint Board:

Nothing to report, next meeting Tuesday September 15th at Green Knoll 7:30 pm.

New Development:

No Report from Chief Bradley.

Vehicle Training:

Ongoing; some training has ensued on Rescue 43 and will be ongoing in the next few weeks.

New Fleet Apparatus:

Rescue 43 was delivered this evening.

The attack pumper is awaiting pre-construction schedule, no changes have happened since the last meeting.

The BOFC will be notified with the schedule and plans.

Station #2 Generator:

The generator is scheduled to be put in service September 11th by Cummings to have the warrantee take effect.

No service is in place at this time.

Somerset County Dispatch

There are still issues with dispatch.

The sirens will need to have a line voltage cut out installed at each station at a cost of \$1,149.12

Mr. Lichtig asked a question why we can't dispatch/send messages from each station on our own repeater frequency. County does not want any station to dispatch over a frequency that they use.

BOFC By-Laws

The changes in the BOFC By-Laws were discussed. (Details will be on file)

Mr. Natalizio will submit all changes and questions to Mr. Braslow for review, and report back at the next meeting.

New Business:

The ISO inspection is scheduled for September 10th at 4:40 pm.

A motion to adjourn the September 8, 2015 meeting was made by Mr. Rose, seconded by Mr. Kalafsky, and approved unanimously; the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm.