

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

Martinsville Station # 1  
Martinsville, NJ  
November 14, 2017

**Meeting Minutes of the November 14, 2017 BOFC District #1 Meeting**

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Patullo at 8:01 pm. Present: Mr. Kalafsky, Mr. Patullo, Mr. Rosenberg, and Mr. Rose. Absent: Mrs. Zampella. Chief Bradley, Deputy Chief Snook also present.

Mr. Rose motioned that we dispense with reading of the minutes as they were distributed electronically and in writing. Mr. Kalafsky seconded. Minutes approved.

Mr. Rose presented the Treasurer's report. Mr. Kalafsky motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded that the Treasurer's report be approved as read. Report approved.

Mr. Rose presented the bills being paid this month. Mr. Kalafsky motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded that the bills be approved. Bills approved.

Mr. Kalafsky raised the issue of the siren and generator repair. Mr. Fernandes reported that the siren has been fixed, and the generator was inspected and a repair is pending. A bill was submitted by Mr. Fernandes for approximately \$200 representing a quid pro quo exchanging labor for dinner. Mr. Kalafsky motioned and Mr. Patullo seconded that we approve the bill for reimbursement to Mr. Fernandes. Bill approved.

Mr. Rose received an email from DFIS for a bill due January 1, 2018 in the amount of \$17,504.11 for our share of the Accident Sickness and Death Policy. Mr. Kalafsky motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded to approve the bill. Bill approved.

Meeting opened to public at 8:07 pm. Several members commented that the new siren is functioning properly. Public section closed at 8:08 pm.

**Correspondence:** Mr. Rosenberg noted that the Board received correspondence from attorney Richard Braslow dated October 17, 2017 regarding budget and election timetable. The Board will take the correspondence under advisement.

**Chief's Report:** Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded that we approve the Chief's report for October 2017 that was distributed electronically and in person. Board voted to approve.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Rose advised that he spoke with Mr. Natalizio and received the pager back. Mr. Rose advised that the keys and Commissioner plates in Mr. Natalizio's possession have not been returned as of yet due to complications from Mr. Natalizio's recent move to a new home.

**Martinsville Rescue Squad:** The Rescue Squad inquired whether or not the Board wanted to be present for a demo day with several different rig manufacturers. Mr. Rose advised that: (1) the Board and the Chief

proffered a spec sheet with our recommendation for a rig; (2) the Board takes no opinion regarding which rig manufacturer the Rescue Squad selects so long as it matches the provided spec sheet; and (3) the Board has been authorized to pay up to \$175,000 for the new rig – any amount in excess of that sum will be the responsibility of the Rescue Squad. The Board asked the rescue Squad to inform it of where/when the demo day will be held.

**Insurance and LOSAP:**

**LOSAP:** Mr. Rose reported that Mrs. Zampella has done extensive work on this front. Mrs. Zampella communicated with Lincoln Financial over a returned check. A replacement check was processed with requested documentation. Mr. Rose reported that money should hit member accounts shortly and that everything is up to date. Mr. Rose also reported that the Board may look into other vendors in the future.

Mr. Rose also advised that the Board continues to receive bills from Harleysville LOSAP despite not participating in that plan for the past 5 years. Mrs. Zampella communicated with Harleysville to advise it of the bills sent in error and was able to resolve the issue.

**Insurance:** Mr. Rose reports that Mrs. Zampella has finalized the life insurance list with the provider, but that some paperwork still needs to be processed. Mrs. Zampella also reported that we may receive a refund.

**Membership and Personnel:** Chief Bradley advised that members Brian Radcliffe and Steve Snook have resigned, and Brian Rhodes has rejoined. Mr. Radcliffe returned his gear, but his pager has not been returned.

**Bridgewater Joint Board:** No report.

**Trucks out of the District:** No report.

**New Development:** Chief Bradley reports that Chimney Rock East requested a knox box for one unit. The reported date for opening at Chimney Rock West is April.

**Vehicle Training:** Ongoing.

**New Fleet Apparatus:** Chief Bradley reports that the contract has been finalized.

**Fleet Disposition:** Ongoing.

**Status of Siren and Generator:** Siren installation complete. Generator service and maintenance schedule going forward are pending.

**BOFC District #1 By-Laws Updates and Revisions:** No report.

***New Business:***

Mr. Rose advised that he is working on the budget and our rateables went up a minimal amount. We are still subject to a 2% cap and our numbers have been roughly even.

Mr. Rose and Chief Bradley discussed upgrading the radio equipment, because there is no more support from the manufacturer (Motorola) of our current radios. This will require an addition to the Chief's budget for this year and next year by \$11,301. Mr. Rose advised Chief Bradley that the first half of the radio purchase, needs to be encumbered by December 31, 2017. Mr. Kalafsky then motioned to increase the Chief's budget from \$150,633 to \$161,944. Mr. Rosenberg Seconded. The Board approved.

With no other new business; a motion to adjourn the October 10, 2017 meeting was made by Mr. Rose and seconded by Mr. Kalafsky. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.