# Board of Fire Commissioners Bridgewater, New Jersey Fire District #2

# Regular Meeting on July 18, 2018

This meeting was advertised and called to order in accordance with the "Open Act Sunshine Law."

Call to Order: 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Debra Brown.

Salute to the flag.

Roll Call of Board: Debbie (P), Chris (P), Jamie (P), Joe (P), John (P)

Also Present: Rob Hanlon, Chris DeLorenzo, Pete Chetwynd

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the previous meeting were emailed to all board members. Minutes accepted as emailed. Motion to accept made by John Marsigliano and seconded by Jamie Brown.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Previous Balance - \$ 200,209.89 We received \$ 104,508.68 New Balance \$ 274,183.75

A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by John Marsigliano and seconded by Jamie Brown.

**Bills:** Were read and reviewed by board members to be paid by treasurer Joe Langon.

A motion to the pay the bills was made by John Marsigliano and 2nd by Jamie Brown. All were in favor.

### **Correspondence:**

- Chris followed up with Verizon about the frequent notices they have been sending us to contact
  them regarding our account. Verizon wanted us to consolidate accounts but we cannot due to
  the separate checks written by the Board and the Firehouse each month. Verizon was asked to
  stop sending so much mail.
- Somerset County Vehicle Maintenance sent an updated agreement for gas pricing. Debbie will review, sign, and return as the county has requested.

Meeting Open to the Public: 19:40 hrs.

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#### Fire Chief's Report: Yes

- All reports are up to date.
- The bottle rack that was ordered has been received.
- The two trunking radios previously ordered from M&W are ready for pickup on Monday, 7/23.

### **Chief Engineer's Report: Yes**

- The check engine light has been intermittent on the command vehicle. Currently keeping an eye on this.
- No other issues with our other vehicles.
- Jamie will work with the chief engineer to make sure ESL is scheduled to service all of our Holmatro tools.

## **Rescue Squad Chief's Report: Yes**

- Command vehicle is currently at NexTech for some antifreeze misting out of vents. It is possible
  that the heater core is shot. As soon as the mechanic has time he will look into it and get us a
  quote for repair.
- The ambulance has been running fine.

#### **Old Business:**

- We were able to get an address for Connor Teremann for his call participation stipend from 2017. Debbie will handle getting this in the mail.
- Debbie handled updating one LOSAP form as requested by Lincoln Financial and everything should be status quo at this point.

#### **New Business**

- Pete Chetwynd asked the board to reconsider its driving policy that the command vehicle should be used by chief and assistant chief only. The board agreed it would be reasonable to change the policy to say it will be used by the Chief, Deputy Chief, and other line officers with previous approval of the Board and will go down in line order (e.g. after Deputy Chief, the Captain will be the next eligible officer to drive the vehicle).
- Debbie asked the firehouse to provide active member and auxiliary member rosters so that we can get it to VFIS as requested annually from the insurance company.
- VFIS wants to set up an appointment to do a risk assessment survey to go through the building. Debbie will have them contact firehouse secretary Rob Hanlon to walk through since the building is owned by the fire company.

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- The Board will go with Chris DeLorenzo on July 23, 2018 leaving the firehouse at 5 p.m. to First Priority Emergency Vehicles to look at Chief vehicle options for possible future upcoming purchases.
- Next meeting is August 15, 2018.

**Closed Session:** Michelle DeLorenzo came to speak to the board regarding her 2017 LOSAP. The board reviewed the matter.

**Adjournment:** Being there is no other business to bring before the board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jamie Brown and 2nd by Chris Ireland. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 20:12 hrs.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Ireland, Secretary