

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

Martinsville Station # 1  
Martinsville, NJ  
February 12, 2019

**Meeting Minutes of the February 12, 2019 BOFC District #1 Meeting**

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Kalafsky at 8:05 pm. Present: Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Kalafsky, Mrs. Zampella  
Also present: Chief Snook, Deputy Chief Fernandes. Absent: Mr. Patullo, Mr. Rose Mr. Rosenberg motioned  
and Mrs. Zampella seconded that the January minutes be approved. Minutes approved.

Mrs. Zampella presented the Treasurer's report. Mr. Kalafsky motioned and Mr Rosenberg seconded that the  
Treasurer's report be approved as read. Report approved. Mrs. Zampella presented the bills being paid this  
month. Mrs. Zampella motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded that the bills be approved as read. Bills  
approved.

Meeting opened to the public at 8:11 and with no business closed at 8:12

**Correspondence:** Mrs. Zampella reported we received the affidavits from Gannett for notification of election  
in papers. Also received the signed confirmation of apparatus order from Pierce. Mr. Kalafsky suggested that  
paperwork be filed with title. Mr. Kalafsky also advised that the VFIS ID cards came in and he will be  
distributing to the proper vehicles.

**Chief's Report** Mrs. Zampella motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded motion that the Chief's report for  
January as distributed be approved. Chief's reports approved.

**Old Business:**

**Martinsville Rescue Squad:** Mr. Nowakowski reported and distributed copies of the Martinsville Rescue  
Squad report of vehicle usage. Mr. Kalafsky asked if we could receive information on any servicing of the  
vehicle in future reports.

**LOSAP and Insurance-** No Report on LOSAP. Mrs. Zampella reported that we are replacing the Life ADD  
policy for the members of the squad at a savings of approximately \$1000 per year. The Nationwide rates are  
favorable for Martinsville based on age of group. Mr. Kalafsky asked if the fact that all members passed their  
physicals helps with rates. Mrs. Zampella advised that it usually does not help with group rates but she will be  
glad to present to company.

**Membership and Personnel:** In the review process for one new member for station 1. Name not available at  
this time. He will be a Junior member.

**Bridgewater Joint Board:** No report

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

**New Development:** Chief Snook reported that there is no change with the Redwood Inn property. Mr.  
Kalafsky asked about the access to the property in the event of the fire. Chief advised there is a side entrance if  
needed. Town still owns the property.

**Vehicle Training:** Ongoing, Joe Defillipis recently qualified on Engine #2 and Engine #4. Chief Snook worked with him and reported he is competent to drive the vehicles.

**Disposition of Engine 2:** No Report

**BOFC District #1 By-Laws Updates and Revisions:** Mr. Rosenberg reported that he reached out to Mr. Braslow and waiting for an electronic copy to start working on update. Mr. Kalafsky advised he may have one and Mr. Rosenberg asked him to forward a copy.

**Budget:** Budget was approved and will be included in the election. With the new absentee ballots rule, we will not know the final results of the election until we receive the results from Somerset County Election Board sometime the week after the election.

### **New Business:**

Chief Snook advised they applied for a NJ American Water grant for \$1,000 and they are awaiting an answer.

Chief Snook also reported they have the preliminary estimate for the brush truck body repairs that were encumbered in last year's budget. Quote includes the removal and refurbishment of the utility body and the installation of the new skid unit. Includes installing a light bar that is currently in stock. Advised the truck will be coated underneath and compartments will be coated to prevent rust in the future. Preliminary quote is \$20,000 and \$35,000 is available from the funds allocated last year.

The Chief acknowledged the requirement to obtain 3 quotes.

Deputy Chief Fernandes reported they have quote to repair car 432 brush bar for \$200.00. Mr. Kalafsky asked to have the proposal for next meeting to be approved.

With no other business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the February 12, 2019 meeting was made by Mr. Kalafsky and seconded by Mrs. Zampella. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.