

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

Regular Meeting on April 13, 2020

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: Chris DeLorenzo, Jeff Taylor, Jason Kreyling

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

Treasurer's Report:

Previous Balance -	\$ 377,715.47
We received	\$ 0
New Balance	\$ 355,832.74

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 pay the bills was made by Debbie Brown and 2nd by Jamie Brown. All were in favor.

Correspondence:

- Braslow sent us an update on using video conferencing to hold a meeting.
- ESI sent us a contract renewal for servicing the tools after July 2020. The fire chief confirmed he would like to use this service again this year. Chris I. will complete the information needed and email it back.

Meeting Open to the Public: 7:41 p.m.

Meeting Closed to the Public: 7:42 p.m.

Fire Chief's Report: Yes

- 10 calls last month, all have been entered into the system and reports dropped off this week.
- New procedures sent out to membership regarding COVID practices.
- Bridgewater supplied hand sanitizer and the board bought detergent for cleaning the breathing apparatus.
- PO was submitted for SCBA tanks and masks. These items were on the budget. Jamie motioned and Debbie seconded.
- Also submitted a bill for training for two members to have ICS training. This was forwarded to Joe for payment.

Chief Engineer's Report: Yes

- Squad 21 has no report this month. This vehicle was not checked due to firefighters trying to stay out of firehouse as much as possible due to social distancing from COVID-19.
- Engine 21-5- The TIC issue previously reported has been fixed in house.

- Engine 21-1: The radio identifier is displaying incorrectly and county has been asked to update. Driver's side SCBA holder is loose and replace is recommended. The tablet charger is not working and also needs replacement.
- Utility 21: The radio identifier comes up as Chief 21 per county. Radio repair will be contacted to get this fixed.
- Nothing else to note for other vehicles. Miscellaneous: Look into a charger that can be mounted in Engine 21-1 to keep the blue CO meters charged. The roof saw from Squad 21 is out being repaired but they are working on getting parts because the saw is no longer made; roof saw from Engine 21-1 is on the Squad for the time being. Also suggests TIC chargers installed on the packs in the Squad to help them stay charged without the need for spare batteries.

Rescue Squad Chief's Report: Yes

- 38 calls last month.
- BLS3 had its hubcap and both batteries replaced.

Old Business:

- Reimbursement program is slightly delayed because we haven't been able to see people to hand out the checks due to COVID-19. We will mail checks regular mail and send an IAR message for members to let us know if they do not get anything within a week.
- LOSAP: We are still waiting for the 3 new members to complete their applications last month. The fire chief will check his mailbox at the firehouse and follow-up with the members to let them know they can call Deb if they need assistance. Deb recommended we send our LOSAP payment in for the rest of the membership and then send in a separate payment for these 3 members once they have completed their applications.
- Physicals for our firefighters are still pending until COVID-19 resolves.
- The rescue squad command vehicle was turned over to the squad's assistant chief last month. Chris I. mentioned that the vehicle was turned over right away last month and suggested we return it to Jeff Taylor tonight.

New Business

- Chris I. was able to register Fire District #2 for Nextdoor so that we can send messages to our community. Chris read an intro message suggested by Nextdoor and all were in agreement it was OK to send.

Special Note: This meeting was held virtually via Google Meet. A sign was hung at the firehouse alerting residents how they can join the meeting.

Next scheduled business meeting is May 13, 2020.

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 John Marsigliano. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Ireland, Secretary