

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

Martinsville Station # 1
Martinsville, NJ
Jan 14, 2020

Meeting Minutes of the January 14, 2020 BOFC District #1 Meeting

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Kalafsky at 8:09 pm. Present: Mr. Rose, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Kalafsky, Mrs. Zampella, Mr. Cowley. Chief Snook, Deputy Chief Fernandes also present. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Rosenberg seconded that we approve the minutes that were distributed electronically from the December meeting with a date correction. Minutes approved.

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

Meeting opened to public at 8:12. Public section closed at 8:13

Correspondence: Mrs. Zampella reported that we received our copy of our approved 2020 budget from the state. Will scan and have available electronically if anyone wants a copy. Also received a VFIS newsletter and a Christmas Card from a former firefighter Ed Cassidy. We also got our list from Lincoln Financial for our LOSAP qualifiers. Will give copy to Chief to have him confirm all eligible recipients.

Chief's Report Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Cowley seconded that we approve November and December Chief's reports. Mr. Kalafsky asked the chief who keeps track of multiple mistake alarms from the same location. Chief reported that schools are not included but businesses would get billed. Residents do not.

Old Business:

Martinsville Rescue Squad: Deputy Chief Nowakowski reported December usage. Rig 1 was out of service 4 days with a serious electrical problem. Rig 3 was used for 16 calls out of territory. All but 2 calls were while Rig 1 was out of service. Mr. Rose asked about status of Rig 1. Mr. Nowakowski reported that Rig 1 was back in service. He does not know status of 3rd rig purchase discussions. He also reported he does not know the status of Green Knoll's progress with billing for service.

MRS requested to take Rig 3 next Saturday to the Klondike, a boy scout event. Peter Mone will be manning the rig. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Cowley seconded that we approve the use with the provision that another member go with Mr. Mone. Approved.

LOSAP: Once roster is done, we will send to Lincoln. They will then send Mrs. Zampella an invoice that needs to go with payment to Lincoln home office for deposit into accounts. Mr. Rose advised we will approve at April meeting and send the check then. Mr. Cowley asked about moving money from the old Harleysville plan. Mr. Kalafsky advised that those accounts are owned by the individual members and the BOFC has nothing to do with them. A question was asked if members received a formal letter advising of such. Mrs. Zampella advised it was in the posted minutes and thought the formal letter was given to department but will check into it.

Insurance: No report.

Membership and Personnel: No report

Bridgewater Joint Board: No date yet

Trucks out of the District: No requests

New Development: No report

Vehicle Training Ongoing

BiLaws and Articles: Mr. Rosenberg advised he will have something to distribute by the March meeting.

Vehicle Maintenance: Brush truck is officially back in town

Budget – Mr. Rose presented the budget. Total assessed value of the district is \$2,125,877,600.00. The proposed tax rate per hundred is 2.7 cents. Our annual proposed budget Revenues include \$650,508.00 includes the amount to be raised by taxation \$579,069.00 with total appropriations of \$650,508.00. That includes money to replace the utility truck this year as a capital expenditure that was approved last year. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Cowley seconded that the budget be approved as presented.

Mrs. Zampella took a roll call vote and the budget was approved unanimously.

Incentive Plan- Jim Cowley reported that they are still looking for a copy of the original written copy of the resolution in the office but will ask Doug Wright. Will update next month.

Unclaimed Funds - Paperwork was sent to the state but nothing has been received yet.

New Business:

With no other new business; a motion to adjourn the January 14, 2020 meeting was made by Mr. Cowley and seconded by Mr. Rosenberg. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.