

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

Martinsville Station # 1
Martinsville, NJ
May 11, 2021

Meeting Minutes of the May 11, 2021 BOFC District #1

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Rosenberg at 8:02 pm. Present: Mr. Rose, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Kalafsky, Mr. Cowley, Chief Snook, Deputy Chief Fernandes. Absent: Mrs. Zampellaief Fernandes. Mr. Rose made a motion and Mr. Kalafsky seconded to suspend the normal order of business to swear in this year's elected commissioners. Mr. Rose and Mr. Cowley were sworn in. Mr. Cowley motioned and Mr. Rose motioned that the Board positions remain the same. Motion passed. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Cowley seconded that we go back to the normal order of business. 2nd role call taken: Mr. Rose, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Kalafsky, Mr. Cowley, Chief Snook, Deputy Chief Fernandes present. Mrs. Zampella absent. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Kalafsky seconded that we approve the minutes that were distributed electronically from the April meeting. Minutes approved.

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

Meeting opened to public at 8:09. Public section closed at 8:10.

Correspondence: Mr. Rose received the registration for the Ambulance used by Martinsville Rescue and gave to Mr. DiGiovanni. He also received a recall notice for the new pickup for a windshield issue. Renewal notice for engine 1 was received.

Chief's Report Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Kalafsky seconded that we approve April Chief's report as distributed. Chief's report approved.

Old Business:

Martinsville Rescue Squad: Lou DiGiovanni distributed the April usage report electronically and reported during the meeting. He advised Rig 2 being inspected this week and will be in service. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Kalafsky seconded we approved the MRS report as presented. Approved.

Insurance- No report

LOSAP: Checks were sent with proper invoice.

Membership and Personnel: Chief Snook reported Station 2 has a new member Warren Rooney. He is 18 and has firefighter 1 training.

Bridgewater Joint Board: Departments are getting together to discuss the election charges from the county and compare notes.

Trucks out of the District: None

New Development: None

Vehicle Training Ongoing. Mr. Rose asked if there was retraining of the driver who got a truck stuck in a ditch turning the truck around in a driveway when the cul de sac should have been used. A discussion occurred regarding SOPS for the best way to handle the situation.

Vehicle Maintenance:

Gear Donation- Mr. Cowley reported that the gear was cleaned up and sent to the area that suffered the tornado in Alabama. Everyone agreed the process worked great and the equipment will be put to good use.

New Pickup- Will be picked up any day now.

Old Pickup –Nothing done yet since the new one is not in

The Budget- Passed

Siren -Mr. Cowley reported the post the Chief has on Facebook was good and informative for anyone who complained about the siren. It explained that it is a part of the county 911 system and is needed. We should put this on our website and share where possible. The public support was evident.

New Business:

Resolutions 21-02 through 21-10 were presented and approved.

With no new business; a motion to adjourn the May 11, 2021 meeting was made by Mr. Kalafsky and seconded by Mr. Rose.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.