

*BOARD OF
FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF FREEHOLD, NEW JERSEY*

September 11, 2012

Chairman Robert Kirwan called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 7:30 p.m. The Sunshine law was read and the date and time of the meeting was posted. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mr. Clancy	Present
Mr. Brass	Present
Mr. Polo	Present
Mr. Polverino	Present
Mr. Kirwan	Present
Mr. Parker	Present
Asst. Chief Dinicholas	Present
President Berman	Present
1 st LT Murray	Present

Correspondence

The Holmes and McDowell questionnaires were received which Mr. Kirwan filled out and sent back. The renewal was received from VFIS was also filled out and sent back.

Letters were received from Mr. Parker regarding the legal advertising in the Asbury Park Press and the bid for the floors.

Chief's Report

2 honda eu2001 with lights and submersible pumps were ordered.

The Pack tracker chargers are in and being mounted.

7 sets of gear were ordered. Chief's ex-chief gear was given to Shaun Reiley so he now has gear and boots.

There was a discussion among the line officers for the new rescue tools and prices from 2012 Chiefs Budget.

We ordered helmets, eagles, goggles and boots.

A 28 foot two section ladder was ordered for 77 spoke to Craig about fixing the mounting bracket before replacing the ladder.

All bottles on 74 are loaners from NJFE until 12 new valves can installed on the new bottles. I am in the process of going off on Scott regarding the leaking bottle issues that NJFE is trying desperately to resolve for us. But it does take 6-8 weeks to receive anything from them. 85 Bottles are all fixed and tested.

Joe Chisuno and Shaun Reiley released by their doctor for full duty as President Berman. The Chief needs the documentation.

Knox box in 66 truck not working again President Berman will take care of this.

ESI was out last week and they went over the airbags that are 20 years old to buy the 6 that we would be replacing it would cost \$6,426. To upgrade the arms on the spreader would cost \$2,500. A motion was made to make these purchases by Mr. Kirwan and Mr. Polverino 2nd it and it was approved.

Also pagers and chargers are going to be ordered and 1 or 2 nozels for backups.

Radio & Alarm

Progress.

Building

Everything is good.

The bids for the floor at Daniels Way will be in next week.

Insurance

Mr. Kirwan has sent the letters to the members that were having problems with the insurance.

Maintenance

90 – The drivers headset will not link Mr. Brass switched it with another set and put it in the side compartment.

90 service done.

All the chain saws, generators and fans are all being serviced.

New Business

New regulation for putting information on the internet goes into effect next year. A Rep. from Netlink will be at the workshop meeting in October to go over any questions the board has on the prices and what is covered for that fee.

Old Business

Nothing at this time.

Resolutions

The resolutions were brought to the meeting to be signed 2 for the new policies and one for the emergency floors.

The trustees had one problem with the resolution on the policies and that was they do not want the fire company named in it. The policy is currently at the fire company's lawyer being reviewed and president Berman will follow up with it and let the board know the outcome. There was also a problem with the search issue in the drug policy. These will all be revisited after the Fire Company's lawyer gets back to them.

Physicals

Mr. Brass reviewed the NFPA standards for the physical results and printed copies for the board. There are 2 basic groups A & B and 13 tasks that fall within those groups. Mr. Brass that it may be a good idea to separate drivers from fire fighters where the physicals are concerned. They also need to decide what is to be done if a member refuses any part of the physical. He will draft some procedures for the board to review.

They have decided that all members should have a physical regardless of age. Members who have been put on medical leave will have to submit a written monthly update from their physician on the status of their condition. They also need to decide how long they can be on medical leave and how many times they can get that status before a different action needs to be taken. The decision needs also to be made as to how to identify what the member is allowed to do. A decision also needs to be made for those members that are unable to pass the physical. The board has suggested creating a new tag color to identify a 'B' status which would be blue. 'A' status can do everything and 'C' can come to the fire house but cannot participate.

Mr. Brass is going to type up everything that was discussed tonight into guidelines for the board and the fire company to review. He also suggested that a committee be formed and that the Chief and President decide who would be on the committee.

Treasurer's Report

A check was received for \$4,070.88 from the Township of Freehold and deposited on 8/30/12.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Brass
Sec.
Board of Fire Commissioners
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