

February 8, 2022

The combined monthly Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District 9, 1222 Green Street, Iselin, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by the Vice President under Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975 with notices posted in the Home News Tribune, on the bulletin board at Fire Company #1 and #2, and at Town Hall as prescribed by law. A salute to the flag was led by the Vice President who asked that we keep Steve Larko in our prayers as he is in the hospital.

Roll Call of Commissioners: M. Rudy, K. Williams and E.A. Mullen. S. Larko and D. Thaker were excused.

Also in attendance were W. Kenney, E.R. Mullen, the Attorney and the Fire Official Wertz. Chief Kennedy was excused.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted with a motion made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams and E.A. Mullen).

Reports of Committees:

Fire Equipment & Apparatus:

MK completed miscellaneous repairs to the apparatus. Regarding the oil leak in 9-3-3, we are waiting on parts. Regarding the update on 9-3-4, the chassis is in and will be delivered. MK to work with the Chief on placement of the new TICs for the apparatus. The backup monitor for 9-2-4 has been replaced. Also, Seagrave has repaired the hydraulic filter monitor. The hand light charger for 9-6 is on order to replace the broken one. MK has repaired the light tower. Reviewing the specs for the 9-3-4 refurb. The chassis is in and just needs to be picked up. Mr. Rudy mentioned that there is a little problem with the back bumper on 9-5.

Hydrants:

Briefly discussed the water problem that Middlesex Water Company had.

Facilities:

Paint cabinet upgrade on hold. Researching prices to upgrade the traffic lights. Security camera to be repaired this month. Pfizer is to remove the plumbing for the water fountain. Pezz Electric repaired the generator at House 1 but they need to come back to reprogram it. A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams and E.A. Mullen) to install fence in the back of house two for equipment and poles for generator for a total price of \$5,632. Quote for second shed for House 2 boat is pending.

Communications Equipment:

Nothing to report.

Fire Prevention:

The Fire Official submitted his report and a motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen and K. Williams) to accept the report.

Legal & Insurance:

The attorney gave an update on the pending litigation. Specs on the air truck should be ready in another week or so. The 9-2 accident claim has been closed.

Deferred Business:

Miscellaneous equipment to be auctioned off—pending. Briefly discussed the gear that's in House 2. Mr. Williams will submit a list.

New Business:

Nothing to report.

Communications and Bills:

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, K. Williams and D. Thaker) to pay all bills for the month of January 2022 in the amount of \$198,944,81. Communications were as follows:

- Received a memo from the Middlesex County Clerk regarding the Annual Fire Elections
- An Open Public Records Request regarding the installation of above ground or underground storage tanks
- A letter from PSE&G regarding replacing existing electric meters with smart meters
- A memo from the Middlesex County Board of Elections regarding a request for staff and voting machines
- A memo from District 9 Board of Fire Commissioners to the Board of Elections regarding their annual Fire District Election
- A memo from Mr. Williams to the Middlesex County Clerk regarding Absentee Ballots
- Various reports

A motion was made by M. Rudy and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, and K. Williams) to accept the correspondence and make it a part of the permanent record.

Chief's Report:

The Chief's Report was submitted reporting 46 calls and no firefighter injuries and no equipment requests. Discussed pending applications and training requests. The report was accepted with a motion made by E.A. Mullen and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, and K. Williams).

Public Discussion: None

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams and E.A. Williams) to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Transcribed by:

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(Ms.) Joyce E. Lynch