February 14, 2023

The combined monthly Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District 9, 1222 Green Street, Iselin, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the President under Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975 with notices posted in the <u>Home News Tribune</u>, 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 President.

<u>Roll Call of Commissioners</u>: M. Rudy, K. Williams, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen. Also in attendance were

Deputy Chief Wertz, Fire Official Wertz, E.R. Mullen, W. Kenney and the Attorney. D. Thaker 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, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen).

Reports of Committees:

Fire Equipment & Apparatus:

MK completed miscellaneous repairs to the apparatus. Waiting on parts to repair the oil leak on 9-3-3. Siren pedal in 9-2 needs to be repaired. Tic to be installed as soon as charger comes in. Clips for compartment lights on 9-2 were ordered. Lights and radio for the new Chief's car were ordered. Don Draper has pictures for the lettering and striping of the new vehicle. EES will be repairing the 4" valve on 9-2-4 and will move the hydrant assist valve on 9-2. A&K did maintenance on plow. Quick vent saw for 9-6 is out for repair.

Hydrants: Nothing to report.

Facilities:

Paint cabinet upgrade on hold. Researching prices to upgrade the traffic lights. The vendor for the gear cage will be in when we make room in the back of the bay. Mr. Rudy will be getting more prices for the back room in House 2.

Communications Equipment:

Pagers have been programmed. Radio parts partial shipment came in.

Fire Prevention:

The Fire Official's report was submitted and accepted with a motion made by E.A. Mullen and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen). Another motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen) to approve the expenditure of \$1500 for the Arson Investigation Seminar in March.

Legal & Insurance:

The Air Truck specs were received and are under review. Insurance claim processed for the radio and gear. The attorney discussed some pending legal issues. Mr. E.A. Mullen discussed the need for a Child Protection Policy.

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Deferred Business:

Miscellaneous equipment and gear from House 2 were auctioned off.

New Business: Nothing to report.

Communications and Bills:

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by S. Burrows with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, S. Burrows and K. Williams) to pay all bills for the month of January 2023 in the amount of \$209,421.36. Communications were as follows:

- Received a copy of a Certificate of Liability Insurance for the Middlesex County Fire Academy
- Received a copy of a letter from VFIS Claims Management regarding the reported equipment loss and damaged property
- A letter to E.R. Mullen from Mr. B. Kenney regarding the Application Status
- Copy of an Open Public Records Act Request Form regarding the property at 453-739 Green Street and 1-5 Quality Way, Iselin
- Received copies of various reports

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

Chief's Report:

Deputy Chief Wertz gave the Chief's report noting no driver qualifications then discussed training requests. A motion was made by E.A. Mullen and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, E.A. Mullen and S. Burrows) to accept the Chief's Report.

Public Discussion: Everything is set for the election on Saturday.

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by E.A. Mullen with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, S. Burrows and E.A. Williams) to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Transcribed by: (Ms.) Joyce E. Lynch