

July 11, 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 Chairman 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 Chairman.

Roll Call of Commissioners: M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen
Also attendance were E.R. Mullen, W. Kenney, Attorney Carol Berlen, and the Fire Official. The Chief was not in attendance.

The minutes were accepted with a motion made by D. Thaker and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen).

Reports of Committees:

Fire Equipment & Apparatus:

MK completed miscellaneous repairs to the apparatus. Refurb meeting update. Waiting for parts to repair the oil leak on 9-3-3. Hose Testing will be scheduled. 9-6 and 9-2 tires changed. Don Draper will try to fit striping for new chiefs car in his schedule. EES to check air horn problem on 9-6. 9-2-4 quick-vent saw back in service. 9-2 rear wheel chock holder on order and F&S will pay for repair. 9-3-7 tires have been installed. 9-2-4 cooling valve hose to be replaced. EES to move hydrant assist valve on 9-2. EES will send an update on the PM work on vehicles. EES to check decon hose on 9-5. Gear fitting completed and ordered. MK removed Knox boxes from 9-3-4 and 9-3-1 along with thermal cameras. 9-3-1 old radio was moved to 9-3-2. Radio company will be in to remove the remaining equipment from old 9-3-1. Pump testing is scheduled for August 9th. Air & Gas was in to reset SCBA compressor in House 2 and ordered a new valve.

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 given the go-ahead to start the installation. Fuel tank issue pending. Camera company completed the camera project. The Water Company still needs to come in to correct the problem with the new meters at House 1. Playground company was in and repaired some screws and will be back to replace some long screws. Fire Alarm company is still working on the ground fault issue. Woodbridge PD has canceled leaving their truck in our parking lot. The painting of the

bridge is not happening due to construction being done to the bridge. F&S patched the holes in parking. Locksmith will be in to replace the core on the side door lock.

Communications Equipment:

Pagers came in. Still waiting on radios for the new 9-3-1. Still waiting for docking stations for tough books. Mr. E.R. Mullen gave a brief report on the computers. He will meet with Mr. Rudy to continue the discussion.

Fire Prevention:

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

Legal & Insurance:

Auditors are working on the audits. Attorney Berlen reported on some pending issues including a contract resolution which would need to be passed at the next meeting.

Deferred Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Mr. Williams spoke with the Chevy dealer regarding State contract pricing. Discussed.

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, D. Thaker and K. Williams) to pay all bills for the month of June 2023 in the amount of \$165,388.80. Communications were as follows:

- Received a copy of Certificate of Liability Insurance
- Copy of a letter from the Water Company regarding inaccurate water usage being registered.
- A letter from the NSC regarding a vehicle recall
- Received copies of various reports

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

Chief's Report:

Due to the absence of the Chief, the Chief's Report was not submitted.

Public Discussion:

Discussed Joint Board Meeting held, including possible Township HazMat Training.
Discussed purchasing new chairs and who should pay for them.

At 8:23 p.m., a motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by D. Thaker with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker, S. Burrows and E.A. Mullen) to adjourn the meeting.

Secretary
Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Transcribed by:
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