

July 12, 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 7:31 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. He requested a moment of silence for Steve Larko.

Roll Call of Commissioners: M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker and E.A. Mullen. Also in attendance were W. Kenney, E.R. Mullen, Chief Anthony Harland, Fire Official Wertz, and the Attorney.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted with a motion made by D. Thaker and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker 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. An update was given regarding 9-3-4, noting that we will need to advertise after some changes. MK is working with the Chief on placement of the new TICs for the apparatus. Hose testing was completed. Pump testing will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup>. 9-5, 9-6 and 9-2 PM work was completed. Ladder testing will be done next Tuesday. The Air pack testing was completed and 11 bottles went out for hydro testing. 9-3-2 is going in for brakes and oil change. Discussed getting a new set of flashlights. Mr. Rudy asked if anyone needed Gear Bags because he was ordering them.

Hydrants: Nothing to report.

Facilities:

Paint cabinet upgrade on hold. Researching prices to upgrade the traffic lights. Security camera to be repaired this month. The vendor for the gear cage will be in when we make room in the back of the bay. Mr. Rudy asked about doing the repair work on the back entrance. Discussed the lockers in the bathrooms.

Communications Equipment:

Pagers were ordered. Batteries for the portables were received. Color printer could not be repaired so a new one was ordered. Mr. Kenney needs to make a call to have one of the radios repaired. Will be looking into getting information on new radios.

Fire Prevention:

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

Legal & Insurance:

The attorney gave an update on the law suit. The Air Truck specs will be re-advertised after changes. Claim for the 9-5 damages was completed and closed.

Deferred Business:

Miscellaneous equipment to be auctioned off—pending. Letter received from Neel Mehta for donating old gear. Letter received from 911 Fund for donating gear. A resolution will be prepared accordingly.

Communications and Bills:

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by D. Thaker with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, K. Williams and D. Thaker) to pay all bills for the month of June 2022 in the amount of \$233,159.37. Communications were as follows:

- Received a letter from VFIS Glatfelter Claims Mgt. regarding our claim for the 2008 Ford
- A copy of a letter from Fire Official Wertz to Fords Dispatch regarding his temporary unavailability
- A letter from the 911 Fund regarding their request for used equipment
- Copy of an Open Public Records Act Request Form regarding the property located at 511 US Highway 1 South
- Various reports

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

Chief's Report:

Mr. Rudy noted that we have a new Chief, namely, Anthony Harland and the Deputy Chief will be Mary Wertz. Chief Harland discussed applications as well as training and equipment requests. The Chief's Report was accepted with a motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by D. Thaker with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, D. Thaker and K. Williams).

Public Discussion:

Mr. Williams reported on what transpired at the previous Joint Boards Meeting. It was mentioned bringing in a Stress Management Team.

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by D. Thaker with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker, and E.A. Williams) to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Transcribed by:  
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