

October 11, 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.

Roll Call of Commissioners: M. Rudy, K. Williams, D. Thaker and E.A. Mullen. Also in attendance were Fire Official Wertz, E.R. Mullen, W. Kenney 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. An update was given regarding 9-3-4, noting that we will need to advertise after some changes. Regarding the oil leak in 9-3-3, we are waiting on parts. The A/C compressor was installed in 9-2-4. The air line in 9-5 has been repaired and a new part installed. 9-6 batteries were replaced. The air pack in 9-2 has been repaired.

##### Hydrants:

There was a water main break on Green Street.

##### Facilities:

Paint cabinet upgrade on hold. Researching prices to upgrade the traffic lights. Security cameras to be repaired this month. The vendor for the gear cage will be in when we make room in the back of the bay. Looking into a couple of projects for the winter.

Communications Equipment: Nothing new to report.

##### Fire Prevention:

The Fire Official submitted his report along with his retirement papers to be effective either November 30<sup>th</sup> or December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. 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 Air Truck specs will be re-advertised after changes. An Executive Session will be held following this meeting to discuss pending legal matters.

##### Deferred Business:

A Resolution was read regarding the donation of miscellaneous equipment that is no longer authorized for public use. 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 resolution as read.

New Business:

A motion was made by E.A. Mullen and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, D. Thaker, E.A. Mullen and K. Williams) to approve the purchase of command cabinet for 9-3-1 under state contract with East Coast \$5,000.

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 September 2022 in the amount of \$71,780.01. Communications were as follows:

- 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, D. Thaker and K. Williams) to accept the correspondence and make it a part of the permanent record.

Chief's Report:

Chief Harland had an emergency so was unable to attend the meeting, but his report was submitted which included a copy of a quote for a "Car Fire Blanket." Mr. Rudy noted that he had asked the Chief for a demonstration of the Blanket at a live burn before we purchase it. A motion was made by E.A. Mullen and seconded by K. Williams with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, E.A. Mullen, D. Thaker and K. Williams) to accept a request for 7 phone mounts for the cell phones not to exceed \$250. Another 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 Chief's Report.

Health & Safety:

A meeting was held during the month.

Public Discussion:

Mr. Kenney discussed some items from the Wildwood trip, and made a suggestion to purchase a handcart.

At 7:55 p.m., 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 go into an Executive Session. At 8:08 p.m. at the close of the Executive Session, 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 reconvene the regular meeting.

The attorney noted that, after discussion during a closed session, a Resolution was read authorizing Mr. Kenney to place an ad regarding the Fire Commissioner vacancy. A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by D. Thaker with everyone in favor (M. Rudy, yes; E.A. Mullen, yes; D. Thaker, yes; and K. Williams, yes) to accept the Resolution as read.

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 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Transcribed by:  
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