BOARD OF FIRE COMMISIONERS DISTRICT NO.9

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March 5, 2024

The combined monthly Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioner of District 9, 1222 Green Street, Iselin, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by Fire Commissioner, M. Rudy 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 Fire Commissioner followed by a moment of silence.

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

Also in attendance were W. Kenney, E.A. Mullen, and Attorney

John Harrington, Esq., and Aaron Ranoine, ESq.

This is a regular agenda meeting.

Reports of Committees:

Equipment & Apparatus:

There was an issue with a blown battery, which caused the charger and batteries to be replaced. It is unknown as the cost of the items will be prorated as they were newly purchased. Several vehicles needed to be inspected: 9-6 (passenger side alarms were working, driver side was not), 9-5 (passenger side mirror operable and driver side was not) and 9-2 (speaker volume low) were suspected to be tampered with. Upon inspection, it was determined that neither 9-2 nor 9-6 had been tampered with due to the placement of the wires that were causing issues, 9-5 works perfectly. All issues resolved except 9-6, EES are still troubleshooting. Work has started on the House 2 compressor and another part is needed. Other items of note: 9-3-3 bumper needs to be fixed, 9-3-3 has an oil leak, however is operational, 9-3-4 needs tools mounted. The suggestion was made concerning modifications to vehicles to take note of when the person might be leaving as modifications take time and may not be complete during that person's tenure.

Ladder testing is on March 18th.

Hydrants: Nothing to report.

Facilities:

A quote was obtained for landscaping, there has been no change from the previous year. Traffic light has been resolved with insurance, but has not be fixed yet. There was discussion as to what has been completed and what is still needed in regard to information on the furnace. Heat calculations are needed for the square footage that needs to be heated to determine the size of the new furnace. A quote will them need to be obtained for the correct sized furnace replacement and for what it would take to replace the current furnace with an HVAC system. A quote of about \$1800 was obtained for the cleaning of the sanitation system as there was a back up from 2 bathrooms and the kitchen. The board would like to obtain a quote for tree trimming. Resolution has been written and will be ready for review at the next meeting.

Communications & Equipment:

The Chief car will need sim cards, however the MEID number will need to be obtained. A quote will be needed for a new computer for 9-6 and the installation.

Fire Preventions:

Mr. Kenney is currently working on fulfilling the requests made on the Fire Report.

Legal & Insurance:

The first draft of the hand guide was provided by the attorney and feedback was given by the board which is currently under review. An update will be provided at the next meeting. A closed meeting was requested. All audits have been completed except 2022 which is being worked on and 2023 which is not due until May. The election was held this past month.

Old Business:

There are now only 4 lines that need to be tagged by Verizon. There was an issue with the purchasing agent in charge of the laptops for the board. The process to obtain a ".gov" email address is specific and more difficult than initially expected. It is still a work in progress and E.A. Mullen will keep the board updated.

New Business:

Mr. Williams is awaiting a purchase order for lights.

Bills: Next Month

Communications: Next week

Chief's Report: No new requests, no new members

Joint Board: Meeting being held March 11th.

Health & Safety: Nothing to report.

Public Discussion:

On behalf of the fire company as President, E.A. Mullen would like to thank the board for the use of the facility.

A closed session was then requested and at 9:49 p.m., the closed session was adjourned.

Secretary

Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Minutes taken by:

(Mrs.) Rashawnda Jimenez