

**Board of Fire Commissioners District #1**  
**February 24, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #1 was held at the Powder Mill Firehouse on Wednesday, February 24, 2021. The meeting commenced at **7:38PM** with Commissioner Berry presiding. Commissioners Masker, Ferdinandi, Jamieson, and Tagliente were in attendance. Chief Crawford, Deputy Chief Herrmann, and Captain Masker also attended virtually as representatives of the Department.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read by Commissioner Tagliente and approved with minor corrections via a motion made by Commissioner Jamieson, seconded by Commissioner Masker, and passed via unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Monthly Report for January 2021 declaring operating expenses of **\$887,381.89 (Operating Expenses of \$35,176.75 & Building Expenses \$852,205.14.)** was read and distributed for all Commissioners to review and provide comments. No comments or objections were made. No deposits were received. Receipts for petty cash in the amount of **\$836.11** were reviewed and audited; all was in order.

The Treasurer's Report was approved via a motion made by Commissioner Jamieson, seconded by Commissioner Ferdinandi, and passed via unanimous vote.

**Truck Report:** Preventative Maintenance scheduled for May.

- **Tower 11:** Status quo;
- **Engine 12:** Status quo;
- **Engine 13:** Check engine light was fixed by adding coolant; Foam tank gauge shows that tank is empty even when full;
- **Rescue 14:** Brake issue has been fixed;
- **Engine 15:** Officer seat belt has been fixed;
- **Utility 16:** All issues fixed, but rear windshield wiper pump is not working;
- **Car 18:** Status quo; and
- **Car 19:** New transmission installed; needs tires.

**Radio Report:** No report; several items to be discussed under the Chief's report.

**Insurance:** One claim was filed due to an incident that occurred in 2020.

**Purchasing:** Refrigerator, stove, and dishwasher were purchased for Tarn Drive Firehouse.

**Fire Prevention:** There are several new and re-assigned township fire inspectors.

**Joint Commissioner Board:** The last Joint Commissioner Board meeting was held on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, at District #5's firehouse. The next Joint Commissioner Board meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2021, at District #6's firehouse.

**Chief's Report / Open:** 53 calls year-to-date.

New Construction within the Fire District:

2900 Route 10 project (180 Units): no updates; project appears to be on a temporary hold;

1500 Littleton Road project (250 Senior Apartments + Assisted Living):  
Scheduling a conference call with our legal counsel & the developers;  
Awaiting response on use of building for training.

Upcoming Training: 2/25 - CPR/Squad; 3/4 – RIC; 3/18 – TBD; 3/25 – TBD; Sending 1 Member to FF1 in March and 1 Member to FF2 in August.

Mutual Aid Rendered and Received:

Went to Passaic for an 11<sup>th</sup> alarm fire on 1/30 – Engine 13 assisted with water shuttle;  
Went to Morris Township for 3<sup>rd</sup> alarm fire on 2/12 – Crews assisted with RIC & Overhaul;  
Responded to Greystone on 2/17 for an electrical fire, ongoing investigation with the State.

Radios/Dispatching:

All pagers and programming completed from PPD;  
No response yet on emails sent in January;  
ProPhoenix / CAD link still not working;  
CAD notes still not detailed in Parsippany reports;  
Water call dispatching and CAD issues on 2/23;  
Discussion on Interops channels between D3, D4, D5, D6 & PPD.

New Firehouse: Clean Air (PlymoVent) will finalize installation once trucks are in;

Agreement with Par Troy to utilize the bay at Powder Mill for storage, with keys left to move ambulance as needed.

Still working on SOP for distributing keys to new members.

FEMA reimbursement for Tropical Storm Isaias in progress.

FEMA extended reimbursement for COVID for 100% coverage.

**Old Business:** New Tarn Drive Firehouse: Fireproofing is complete in the bays. Bay ceilings and walls should be completed next week, then floors will be sealed. At this point, the bays will be complete. Hot water heater and water softener should be installed next week. Tiling in first floor bathrooms is nearly complete. HVAC supply vents may need to be re-designed. Second floor flooring will be installed next week. Flag pole will be set this week or early next week. Generator is in place but has not been wired. Cabinets in the kitchen and bathrooms will be installed next week. Additional sprinkler heads have been required by code. Door access and camera system installation begins tomorrow. Gear dryer should be arriving shortly. Cablevision will be installing their service shortly. Paving plant to open beginning the second week of March.

**New Business:** Quotes will be requested for a steel sleeve for the chimney at the Simpson Ave Firehouse.

**Resolutions:** No resolutions were presented or voted on.

Being no further business, a Motion to Close was made by Commissioner Masker, seconded by Commissioner Tagliente, and carried via a unanimous vote at **8:53PM**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel A. Tagliente  
Commissioner / Clerk