

Board of Fire Commissioners District #1
July 24, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #1 commenced at 7:41pm with Commissioner Berry presiding. Commissioners Masker, Tagliente and Jamieson were also in attendance. Commissioner Ferdinandi was unable to attend.

Minutes from the June 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 declaring expenses of **\$34,033.80** was read and all monthly expenses were approved. Deposits totaling **\$0.00** were received. Petty cash in the amount of **\$676.57** was reconciled after all receipts were inspected and confirmed to be in order. A check was disbursed.

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

Commissioner Masker introduced the proposed 2020 budget. The Operating Budget is **\$543,200.00**. Principal and interest on the current BANS will be paid as follows: **\$188,000.00** principal; **\$111,875.00** interest; totaling **\$299,875.00**. There will be a transfer of funds to operating for a utility truck in the amount of **\$75,000.00**. Total appropriations for 2020 will be **\$843,075.00**.

The first reading of the 2020 budget was approved via a motion made by Commissioner Berry, seconded by Commissioner Jamieson, and passed via unanimous vote.

Truck Report:

- **611:** Coolant temperature gauge in the dashboard is not reading accurately; alternator / charging issue;
- **612:** Seatbelt alarms activate consistently even when personnel are properly seated in the seat with their seatbelts fastened; sun visor clips were removed and not replaced causing sun visors to fall down; compartment shelves are not properly tightened and are vibrating loose;
- **613:** All problems with the exception of the priming system have been corrected.
- **614:** Needs new tires before other planned services can be performed;
- **615:** Will be returned in approximately a week.
- **616:** Status quo.
- **618:** Status quo.
- **619:** Status quo.

Radio Report: A quote was obtained for a new speaker microphone for a portable radio and a new battery for a portable radio totaling **\$548.00**.

Insurance: No report.

Purchasing: A quote was obtained to replace the broken air conditioning condenser at the Powder Mill Firehouse for **\$4,500.00**.

Fire Prevention: No report.

Joint Commissioner Board: The next Joint Commissioner Board meeting will be August 7, 2019, at District #2.

Chief/Open: No report.

Old Business: The Board has been engaged in ongoing conversation with the Township regarding the disbursement of already-approved funds from the Township for the new building project. The Town Council delivered a letter to the Board requesting explanation of the disbursement and requesting a change to several terms of the previously-agreed upon arrangement. The Board has explored options to proceed with the new building project without financial input from the Township. One option is to hold a special election in October. A resolution pertaining to this option is to be brought up later in the meeting during the discussion of resolutions.

New Business: The upstairs toilet at the Tarn Drive Firehouse is not working properly and needs to be repaired.

Resolutions: A resolution (Reference #2530026_1) providing for a special fire district election to be held on Saturday, October 12, 2019, authorizing the Commissioners to pay increased additional construction costs for the construction of the new Fire station, not to exceed \$700,000.00, in addition to the \$4,990,000.00 approved via election on June 10, 2017 was read. A motion was made by Commissioner Masker and seconded by Commissioner Jamieson to adopt the resolution. The resolution was adopted by the following roll-call vote:

Yes: Commissioner Masker
Commissioner Jamieson
Commissioner Tagliente
Commissioner Berry
No: None
Absent: Commissioner Ferdinandi

A Motion to Close was made by Commissioner Jamieson, seconded by Commissioner Masker, and carried via unanimous vote at 8:38PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel A. Tagliente
Commissioner / Clerk