

Board of Fire Commissioners District #1
March 25, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #1 was held as a remote meeting due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and Executive Orders issued by Governor Murphy prohibiting public assemblies. Commissioners Berry, Masker, Jamieson, Ferdinandi, and Tagliente provided input regarding the Board's monthly operations. Chief Crawford and Deputy Chief Herrmann also participated in the gathering and presentation of information.

Minutes from the previous meeting have been tabled pending further review and acceptance by the Board at the next in-person meeting.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Monthly Report declaring expenses of **\$36,784.46** was distributed for all Commissioners to review and provide comments. No comments or objections were made. Deposits totaling **\$80,000.00** were received for the sale of Mini-Pumper 616. There were no petty cash reimbursements or submissions.

The Treasurer's Report will be formally approved at the next in-person meeting.

Truck Report:

- **611:** Status quo;
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- **615:** Low coolant light is on; waiting on lighting bid;
- **616:** There have been intermittent lighting issues; waiting for issue to occur again to diagnose;
- **618:** Repair personnel will be coming tomorrow to address an issue with the tablet; and
- **619:** Radio issues have been fixed.

Radio Report: No report.

Insurance: Commissioner Ferdinandi went through the roster with the new qualification criteria for those to keep or reduce the life insurance benefit by half. Five names were recommended for removal. Chief Crawford will double check Commissioner Ferdinandi's analysis and confirm. Commissioner Ferdinandi also provided a summary of the annual census and asked the Board to let him know if all information appears to be in order.

Purchasing: No report.

Fire Prevention: No report.

Joint Commissioner Board: The next Joint Commissioner Board meeting will be April 1, 2020, at District #6. The Board assumes that this meeting will be canceled.

Chief/Open: Utility 16 is in service, SOP's approved and in place. Has proven to be helpful and useful thus far;

New Engine 13: updated drawings received, committee is reviewing. E-ONE is also impacted by COVID-19;

Dumpster was relocated to 1500 Littleton Road, no update on demolition timeline for this facility;

Old Engine 16 is gone, Board needs to confirm that Brindlee Mountain Apparatus was paid its commission for sale;

FDIC is postponed and may possibly be rescheduled for September;

Air Bags ordered at a cost of \$7265.00 and an ETA of 1-2 months, training included;

Personal TIC's (FLIR K1) ordered, 1 for each truck except 16. These are intended to be supplemental, not replacement of standard TIC's. This was planned in Officers' budget. Receiving 1 for free as a promo from FLIR;

Purchased new 5500 psi 60 min cylinder for RIC/Air bags since other expired;

Incentive program is right on target so far and will close out 3/31 with 26 members hovering near qualifying percentage;

Due to COVID-19, officers are planning online/do at home training for compliance training requirements;

All academy classes have been postponed, 4 students in FF2 are now taking online classes;

Department procedures have changed to limit exposure for COVID-19. Firefighters have been directed to not enter any structures unless necessary, and the number of those entering is to be limited as necessary;

In the event there is an address with a COVID-19 positive patient, their Doctor should notify the local Board of Health, BoH then notifies PPD, PPD “flags” the address in the CAD, and County Dispatch is notified if a call comes through. PPD, EMS & FD are notified while en-route. Nothing has been set up for “test pending” patients;

Thanks to Firefighter Ricky Fitzgerald for supplying cleaning supplies to help decontamination equipment for trucks and gear;

Annual Dinner still on as of now, will keep in contact with cruise company.

Old Business: Progress is happening on building construction. Utility issues are being closed out and there is an effort to obtain final demolition permits within the next week.

New Business: No new business.

Resolutions: No resolutions were brought forth during this meeting.

An electronic Motion to Close was made by Commissioner Masker, seconded by Commissioner Jamieson, and carried via a unanimous vote on March 25, 2020, at 08:46PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel A. Tagliente
Commissioner / Clerk