

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT #1
PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS TOWNSHIP
October 24th, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District #1 was called to order at 7:45 pm. Commissioner's Berry, Masker, Eisenberg, Ferdinandi and Jamieson were in attendance. Secretary Eisenberg read the minutes of the September meeting which was approved by Jamieson and seconded by Berry. All five voted in favor of accepting them as read.

Treasurers Report: Bills in the amount of \$356,132.50 were paid. Rent to the department of \$6,500 was paid. The 2019 Budget will be introduced tonight.

Truck Report:

615: To be sent out for service

614: No issues

613: No issues

612: Eric from Pierce is to return Tuesday to review a punch list

611: Out for service

616: No issues

618: Command center was just completed and radios will be installed within the week.

619: No issues

Progress has been made on the radio installation on 612.

Insurance: VFIS sent an auditor out who recommended the Commissioners request a driver's abstract for all members who drive. They were happy with our driver ed and CEVO Programs.

Purchasing: 4 sets of new gear were purchased.

Radios: The town is still reporting a Spring completion date for the new system.

Fire Prevention: Fire Prevention requests we contact them on the county radio if we need to request them.

Joint Board Meeting: Nothing to report

Chief's Report: The Chief emailed a "Social Media" policy he believes we should implement now that it has become so prevalent in our lives. We need to protect the department and its

members from liabilities that might occur. He is updating the “new member” process in an attempt to do a better investigation of new members. Fingerprinting and background checks. There will be a class A burn at Morris County next week. There are 47 lengths of 3” hose we no longer use. The Chief will try and sell them to a more needy department. The Annual Open House will take place Sunday. A table will be available for the Commissioners to talk to residents about the new building.

Old Business: The Mogan property was officially purchased and the Title company is switching the deed over to the Board of Fire Commissioners as was originally intended. The Mogans will have 90 days and will lease back the house at a cost of \$900/month. The proceeds will be given to the department.

New Business: The 2019 Budget is being introduced. Bonding includes new debt service of \$300,073. The total budget is \$525,860 and includes a 2% increase or \$13,495. A roll call vote to accept the budget and submit the resolution was taken. Commissioners Berry, Masker, Eisenberg, Jamieson and Ferdinandi all voted in favor.

A presentation by the officers was made for the possible purchase of a utility truck and a discussion took place on the eventual replacement for 613. The Commissioners were asked to consider a 75 foot -100 foot Stick aerial. This would take approximately 14 months from Pierce, e1 or Ferrara. A 500 gallon tank was recommended and the possible cost with equipment would run 11.2 million dollars. Further discussion will continue.

Since there was no further business, a motion to close the meeting was made by Jamieson and seconded by Masker at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Eisenberg
Secretary