

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3

Regular Meeting  
September 18, 2013

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 3, held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 18, 2013, 47 Bloomfield Avenue, Pine Brook, New Jersey 07058 at 7:00 PM.

Present: Anthony Speciale, Ronald R. Cain Jr., Edward Rosenbergen Sr. and Donald Hainzl.

Absent: Timothy Wright

Also Present: Fire Chief Herbert Eggers Jr. and Fire Official Robert Schmitt

Chairman Speciale called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Statement of Open Public Meeting Act Compliance read by Chairman Speciale

Chairman Speciale led the flag salute.

R. Cain Jr. said the roofer has completed the roof at Station No. 2, he has to finish with the gutters. The shed is scheduled to begin in September.

D. Hainzl read a letter from Royal Communications regarding change of ownership. Letter will be on file.

R. Cain Jr. said the trucks have been serviced but it has not been completed as per the instructions Fire & Safety was given last year. The warning buzzer for low coolant comes on, on 378, but did not prior to the service.

Motion by D. Hainzl to open meeting to the public seconded by E. Rosenbergen. No public comments. Motion by R. Cain Jr. to close public session seconded by E. Rosenbergen.

Fire Chiefs Report on File

Motion by D. Hainzl to accept the Fire Chiefs Report seconded by E. Rosenbergen.

Fire Prevention Report on File

R. Schmitt said they are in the process of purchasing handouts for Fire Prevention Week at the local schools.

Motion by E. Rosenbergen to accept the Fire Prevention Report seconded by D. Hainzl.

Motion by E. Rosenbergen to accept the minutes of August 21, 2013 seconded by R. Cain Jr. Roll Call: D. Hainzl-Yes, E. Rosenbergen-Yes, R. Cain Jr.-Yes and A. Speciale-Yes.

Motion by E. Rosenbergen to accept the Financial Report seconded by R. Cain Jr. Roll Call: D. Hainzl-Yes, E. Rosenbergen-Yes, R. Cain Jr.-Yes and A. Speciale-Yes.

Motion by E. Rosenbergen to pay bills submitted with the exception of Fire & Safety, only pay \$7,103.00 for 2005 Tower service completed, seconded by D. Hainzl. Roll Call: D. Hainzl-Yes, E. Rosenbergen-Yes, R. Cain Jr. –Yes and A. Speciale-Yes

Secretary to make copies of Fire & Safety invoices and A. Speciale will contact them to complete the service as per our request last year.

A. Speciale confirmed with the Board that any electrical work required for the display cabinet in the meeting room will be done and paid for by the Commissioners electrician. The Board is in agreement.

Orr's Tree Service will remove the dead trees and replace trees in October Station No. 1.

R. Cain Jr. discussed making a change to the Life Insurance for the Volunteers. A. Speciale suggested we finalize at our budget meeting in October.

Snow Removal proposals will be mailed now and returned prior to our October meeting.

A. Speciale reminded the Chief that he should get his wish list together for Budget Meeting on October 16, 2013.

E. Rosenbergen mentioned that when responding to fire calls there have been times when the Knox Box does not have the correct key in it. The Board agreed that the Fire Official is to instruct the Fire Inspectors to check the Knox box when they do all their inspections of businesses. Fire Official said he can add a box to check on the form so the inspector has to check whether or not he has done it.

A. Speciale presented a quote from Fernot for the hose reels for the air compressor lines for Station No. 1. The cost is \$5,900.00. Board will put off till November to see what money is left.

R. Cain Jr. presented a quote for Minerva Bunker Gear Cleaners for cleaning and repairing turnout gear. They will pick up our equipment and return no charge. Secretary will make copies and give to Chief, Asst. Chief and Captain.

Chief discussed the age of equipment. Board said that replacing gear is a NFPA recommendation only. The Chief should make a professional judgment call when the need for replacing turnout gear is required.

Chief Eggers asked the Board about replacing the 10 air packs, then all the packs will be the same. Board suggested he get a price as there is money in the Equipment Savings account that can be used for these items. Chief is to get a quote for the entire project.

R. Cain Jr. discussed the incentive for Life Members of the Reliefs for attending the Annual Firemen's Convention. Currently Pine Brook must attend 5 of the 6 local meeting and both Convention meeting. Towaco has to attend 3 of the 6 local meeting and 2 conventions, Montville does not require them to attend any local meetings only the Convention meetings. The Board pays have of what the State pays the delegates.

Motion by E. Rosenbergen to change it to 3 of 6 Local Meetings and 2 Convention Meetings in Wildwood effective 2014, seconded by A. Speciale. Roll Call: D. Hainzl – Abstain. E. Rosenbergen-Yes, R. Cain Jr.- Abstain and A. Speciale-Yes.

Motion by E. Rosenbergen to adjourn meeting seconded by D. Hainzl.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Cain  
Recording Secretary