

# BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

## DISTRICT No. 11

20 AUTH AVENUE

ISELIN, N. J. 08830

# MINUTES - August 9, 2017

In accordance with the Public Open Meeting Act, all provisions have been met by our annual announcement in The Star Ledger.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Steve Freeman on August 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Commissioners in attendance: Freeman, Trela, Lisoski and Rischak. Commissioner Sandklev was not in attendance. Also in attendance were Chief Michael Einhorn and Fire Official Helge Nordveit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Trela to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rischak.

## Chief's Report

August, 2017 - 73 Calls; 5 men low on percentages

- 1. Personnel one applicant went for a physical and was sent to see a cardiologist; probably not going to join
- 2. 11-3-1 Knox Box to be put in the vehicle
- 3. 11-3-1 to be taken for service for oil change and rough idling
- 4. Rescue equipment to be mounted
- 5. Joe discussed the issue of the burning smell in the Rescue unit
- 6. Saturday, Aug 12th Township Officer's Picnic in Fords Park (12 5 pm). Open for all to attend.
- 7. Sunday, Aug 13th Indian Day Parade. Men will be on standby here from 12 5:30 pm.
- 8. Sunday, August 20th Pakistani Day Parade. No men will be on standby as the parade will be heading into Edison
- 9. Pack testing scheduled for Aug 29th & 30th
- 10. District #9 has a crew on for nights and weekends
- 11. Gear Shed status Ron has materials and will begin work tomorrow
- 12. Lumber yard to be contacted regarding poison ivy issue
- 13. House 2 apron tar is getting into the truck bays and ruining the new floor. The apron is on the list for the Township to repair, there is no actual date set for it.
- 14. Daytime response This is becoming a critical issue as calls are not being responded to and we need to have men that are willing to work on site. Chief requested at least one qualified man to be able to sign up to work to roll out with equipment. A discussion was held and it was decided that the original plan for the Per Diem program will be continued. In the meantime, if there are three men willing to sign up during the day, it can be rolled out.

# Fire Official's Report

2 Life and 19 Non-Life Hazard Use Inspections performed. There were five investigations performed and three complaints answered.

Fire Inspector #1 2 Fire Inspector #2 0

Fire Inspector #3 19

- 1. Bureau vehicles running well
- 2. Discussion held regarding the Indian Day Parade, the Pakistani Day Parade and the Indian Flag Raising Ceremony
- 3. 11-3-5 to be added to the NFRS

#### **Bills**

A motion was made by Commissioner Trela to pay all bills. The motion was by Commissioner Rischak. All in favor.

# Communications

1. Copy of Township of Woodbridge Resolution to purchase District #11's 1999 International EVI Rescue Vehicle for \$1.00.

#### Alarms & Pagers

1. Chimes reset - Steve to follow up

## Water & Hydrants

**Progress** 

## House

1. TV to be installed

#### **Fire Prevention**

- 1. Meeting on August 25th inventory existing materials to figure out items to be ordered
- 2. Schools being worked on

#### Trucks

1. Curb feelers have been ordered

#### Joint Board

**Progress** 

## Per Diem/Work Crew

- 1. 4 fire company guys interested and 6 outside applications received
- 2. Age of applicants discussed; it was decided the applicants must be between the ages of 21 45
- 3. Background checks will be done through the police department and paid for by the applicant and reimburse. If the applicant fails the background check, the fees will not be reimbursed.
- 4. Marketing It has been word of mouth so far and it has been put up on the website. The Facebook page is being worked on and should help once completed. Ads to be put In Fire News and Firs Responder News. Addresses for all Middlesex Fire Departments to be obtained so a mailing can be done.

## **Unfinished Business**

1. Clean Gear Company account to be set up by John

# **New Business**

1. Small grill purchased for Wildwood

## Treasurer's Report

No Report

There was no further business before the Board. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.