

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

A regular meeting of the Toms River Fire Commissioners, District No. 2 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Silverton Firehouse. Chairman Blank made the required public statement. "Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by the adoption of a schedule of regular meetings and notice thereof being posted in the Municipal Building, 33 Washington Street, Toms River; being filed with the Municipal Clerk and being transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger and to all persons who have requested copies in accordance with statute."

Roll call was taken; Present: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Absent: Mr. Silva.

Application for Membership – Applications for membership were received from John Valazquez-Chiusolo and Christopher J. Cassese for Pleasant Plains Fire Dept. and were accepted on the roster as active firefighters. Chairman Blank administered Oath of Office to both firefighters.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion was offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Geoghegan and accepted as written providing that the minutes shall be made available for inspection by any member of the public during the meeting.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

Received check #9510 dated July 8, 2017 in the amount of \$600 from Silverton Vol. Fire Company for reimbursement of insurance for July 2017.

Received check #9512 dated July 14, 2017 in the amount of \$1,080.48 from Silverton Vol. Fire Company for reimbursement of VESO Life Insurance premiums for inactive members.

Received check #000149 dated July 12, 2017 in the amount of \$28,479.71 from Toms River Fire Commissioners for Fire Prevention Bureau revenue for June 2017.

Received check #027729 dated July 21, 2017 in the amount of \$83,464.17 from Toms River Fire Commissioners, District #1 for insurance settlement for Fire Academy Burn Building.

Received check #8872 dated July 27, 2017 in the amount of \$650 from Pleasant Plains for reimbursement of insurance for July 2017.

Bills were presented by Treasurer Duff and were approved for payment on a motion offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Britton (each commissioner abstains to his voucher, if any).

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

Airpower International	1,169.09	Rackspace	696.50
Aish Fire Protection	905.00	Silver Bay Express Lube	100.90
Baywood Marina	205.18	Silverton Vol. Fire Company	4,825.00
Benecard	1,375.90	Tasc Fire Apparatus, Inc.	756.00
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	2,094.61	Toms River Fire District #1	76,730.99
Comcast	252.33	Toms River Fitness Center	130.00
Continental Fire & Safety	472.40	United Healthcare	13.18
Defender Emergency Products	6,840.58	Verizon Wireless	479.64
ERS Fleet Repair	2,097.46	VESO Life Insurance	12,475.88
Fire Soaps	281.68	West Marine	3,321.52
Darlene Gargano	45.00	Robert J. Blank, Jr.	37.56
George Kline Sales	3,324.90	Richard M. Braslow, Esq.	157.50
Hartford	218.38	ERS Fleet Repair	2,496.00
IAFC	209.00	Darlene Gargano	87.50
JCP&L	388.22	Kepwel	21.85
KS Fitness Center	230.00	New Jersey Fire Equipment	450.00
Meridian Occupational Health	420.00	New Jersey Natural Gas	26.78
Moore Medical Corp.	213.00	Paychex	73.90

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New Jersey Fire Equipment	143.19	Star Ledger	122.55
Ocean Security Systems	267.50	Suez Water	18,685.56
OMG National	1,742.40	Toms River Fire District #1	141.29
Postmaster of Toms River	84.00	Verizon	32.35
Pleasant Plains Fire Dept.	3,992.00	West Marine	84.92

Total \$148,919.19

Correspondence – All commissioners have been copied.

Communications – Commissioner Blank reported that Spillman has been down for several days; they are working on rebuilding the server; when the CAD system goes down, they are not able to use “I Am Responding.” He reported that they will address this issue at the joint board meeting.

Apparatus – Chief Parente reported that the P/M service on the vehicles is being done this week. Commissioner Duff reported that there were a couple of issues with 2905 – there was a coolant issue, and electrical issue, and a valve failure issue.

Insurance – Commissioner Duff reported that we received the check for the insurance settlement on the fire academy burn building.

Fire Prevention – Commissioner Geoghegan reported that they had a meeting the other day, and we will discuss this in closed session.

Fire Academy – Commissioner Duff reported that the garage door motors were replaced.

Purchasing – Purchasing Agent Gargano reported the following:

- Firefighting Tools and Equipment Bid – Contracts went out
- Aish Fire Protection finished up the p/m service for both fire companies
- Fire Commissioners’ Badges and Placard – need sample to order for new commissioners

Substation – Commissioner Britton reported that he has a meeting at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow to go over the electrical for the generator for the substation with Kopp Electric.

Pleasant Plains report – Chief Parente reported that he has been encouraging the members to schedule their NFPA physicals. He asked if the firefighting tools and equipment bid items have been deducted from the line item yet. Business Administrator Gargano said “no.”

A motion was offered by Mr. Britton, seconded by Mr. Duff to approve Pleasant Plains’ request for equipment as follows:

- 2 Scott Bottle Hydros
- 1 Scott Bottle Repair
- 2 Scott Pak Repairs
- 1 GTec Tablet for Repair

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

Silverton report: A motion was offered by Mr. Britton, seconded by Mr. Geoghegan to approve Silverton’s request for equipment as follows:

- 10 Sets of gear with SCBA bag
- 10 Boots
- 5 Helmets
- 4 Boat Engine Oil for 2906 from Baywood Marine
- 1 Install OIC Siren/Air in 2905 by Defender
- 1 Install Opti-com on/off Switch in 2905 by Defender
- 1 Shore Power Tank Level Lights on 2905 by Defender
- 1 Install Stokes Holder on Body of 2905 by Defender

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- 1 16' Roof Ladder for 2905 from Tasc
- 1 Install on Laptop Spillman/Net Motion in 2917 by Toms River Fire District #1
- 1 Install/Program Radio from 2904 to 2914 UHF by Toms River Fire District #1

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

Request from Chief Sinnott for firefighter use of Elite Fitness – Commissioner Blank reported that he emailed Chief Sinnott asking if Elite Fitness would agree to allow our firefighters to use their gym with a maximum monthly fee of \$30; he is waiting for the Chief's reply.

A motion was offered by Mr. Geoghegan, seconded by Mr. Britton to extend the build date on the 2000 GPM Pumper Engine from Rosenbauer being purchased through HGAC for an additional 30 days.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

A motion was offered by Mr. Geoghegan, seconded by Mr. Britton to permit Silverton to take 2900, 2901, and 2914 to Garfield for an engine dedication on August 19, 2017.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

**New Business:**

Renewal of CD at M&T Bank was approved on a motion offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Britton.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

Breathing Air System Bid – Commissioner Blank reported that questions were presented by a bidder on the bid specification; the bids will be reviewed further to assure the specification will meet our needs.

Time Limit to go through the Applicant Process – Commissioner Duff stated that if a firefighter applicant is going to take more than 90 days to go through the application process, he questions whether they would be a good asset to the fire district.

A motion was offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Britton that a new applicant must complete the application process to become a member within 90 days; an exception may be made for extenuating circumstances.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: Mr. Geoghegan.

Closed Session – A resolution to go into closed session was introduced by Mr. Geoghegan, seconded by Mr. Britton at 8:00 p.m..

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

WHEREAS, PL-1975 Chapter 231 allows for meetings in closed session on matters of personnel; and

WHEREAS, the commissioners have matters to discuss concerning filling of positions within the Fire Prevention Bureau;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN go into closed session to discuss these matters as permitted by the open public act and that the results of this closed session be available to the general public upon the completion of the acceptance of the minutes at the next regular meeting and at such time as these matters in closed session are resolved.

A motion to resume regular session at 8:27 p.m. was offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Geoghegan.

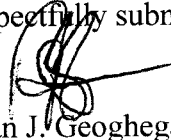
Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting was offered by Mr. Britton, seconded by Mr. Geoghegan.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Blank.  
Nay: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,



Brian J. Geoghegan  
Clerk