

## September 13, 2018

The Chairman announced that as required by The Open Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided which notice specified time and place of meeting. The notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building and mailed to the Daily Record and the Citizen, placed on file at the Township Clerk's Office, and on the public notice website for the Montville BOFC District 1.

### Call to Order

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District # 1, Montville Township, held at the Firehouse 86 River Road, Montville, N.J. Meeting was called to order at 7:08 P.M. by Chairman Lewis, who presided. Chairman Lewis pointed out the Fire Exits.

### Roll Call

Those present were: Commissioners Carl Lewis, Michael Caggiano, Robert Purnell, Robert Cook, and Stephen Schmidt; Fire Official Joseph Serrecchia, and Denise Phostole, District Clerk.

### Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of August were read and accepted as read. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Purnell, seconded by Commissioner Cook and carried.

### Public Comment

None

### Financial Report

The Treasurer gave the financial report and presented the bills for payment; the vouchers were reviewed by the commissioners and paid as follows on a motion made by Commissioner Purnell, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried:

Disbursements September 2018	
Administration	\$ 1,282.28
M&R	\$ 13,584.81
Utilities	\$ 2,060.32
UFSA	\$ 3,870.81
Total Disbursements:	\$ 20,798.22

Commissioner Caggiano reported that the CD that came due at Lakeland Bank was rolled over for twelve months. Commissioners discussed options regarding moving funds to an account with higher interest rates. The LOSAP check to David Durkin was deposited to the commissioners account and a check issued from the account back to David Durkin. Commissioners reviewed the budget. Motion to accept the financial report was made by Commissioner Cook; seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried.

### Chief's Report

In the absence of the Chief the chief's report was read by the District Clerk: 21 activities for the month of August bringing the total for the year to 239; 183 of which were fire calls. There are three new member applications, and one pending for a total of five new members. Motion to accept the Chief's report was made by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Purnell and carried.

### Fire Official's Report

Fire Official Serrecchia reported that there was a total of 10 home inspections for the month of August. Fire Official reported that the bon fire at the high school will take place in the parking lot on Thursday September 20. The meeting with the teachers has been

changed to a meeting with the heads of departments and will take place on Monday October 1. The issue with 329 Main Road has been resolved; they will be installing a breaker lock. The Fire Official informed the state that this matter is no longer pending. Fire Official will be filing two summonses for failure to pay on the two accounts that are still outstanding for 2018. Fire Official has obtained mats for the building. Motion to accept the Fire Officials report was made by Commissioner Schmidt; seconded by Commissioner Caggiano, and carried.

### **Correspondence**

- Received emails from Pine Brook requesting information on LOSAP, clothing allowance, and information on firemen's physicals.
- Received email from Leena Abaza, Township Clerk, that the Township Committee is requesting additional information regarding the ordinance on the permit fees.
- Received information packet from Nottingham insurance regarding Workman's Comp insurance
- Received numerous emails regarding the radios with updates on the repairs.
- Received notification from the town regarding the 9/11 Memorial Service
- Received budget update from the state.

### **Old Business**

Repairs to the siren at company two can't be completed due to the wet weather. Sirens at company one and two are low band. Northeast doing a proposal for two high band boxes. Commissioners discussed radio repairs and ongoing issues with Altice. Drainage at station three has been fixed by Wicks. Repair bill for Unit 1 was received. Commissioners will check into getting restitution for the repairs. Repairs completed at station one and two on the phone systems, and at station one on the alarm.

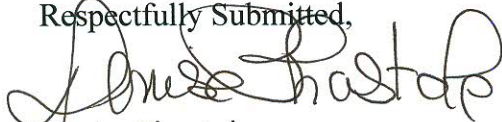
### **New Business**

On a motion made and passed the Commissioners accepted the membership application of Thomas Ackaway, Pat Healy, Salvatore Cicotiello and Jared Piwowarski. The difference on the tax rate was investigated and appears to be a rounding issue. Commissioners reviewed costs of benefits for members of the department including LOSAP, insurance and clothing allowance.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Purnell and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt, and carried. Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lewis at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Denise Phostole  
District 1 Clerk  
Montville Township BOFC  
District One