

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT No. 1
Bridgewater Township
PO Box 109, MARTINSVILLE, N. J. 08836

Martinsville Station # 1
Martinsville, NJ
August 13, 2024

Meeting Minutes of the August 13, 2024 BOFC District #1

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Rosenberg at 8:02pm. Present: Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Rose, Mr. Kalafsky, Mr. Bradley, Ms. Pinchiaroli, Chief Fernandes. Absent: Deputy Chief Bradley (military leave).

Mr. Rose made a motion and Mr. Kalafsky seconded that we approve the minutes. Minutes approved.

Mr. Rose presented the bills being paid this month. Mr. Kalafsky motioned the bills be paid as presented, and Ms. Pinchiaroli seconded. The bills have been approved as read.

Mr. Rose presented the Treasurers report. Mr. Kalafsky made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented, and Ms. Pinchiaroli seconded. Treasurer's report approved.

Correspondence:

Mr. Rose shared that he received an email from VFIS advising of a new Risk Advisor, Nottingham Insurance Agency.

Chief Fernandes provided the title for the new Command Vehicle.

Chief's Report: Chief Fernandes emailed and presented in person. Mr. Rose made a motion and Mr. Kalafsky seconded that the approve the April Chief's report as distributed. Chief's report approved.

The meeting opened to the public at 8:10pm. Meeting closed to the public at 8:11pm.

Old Business

Martinsville Rescue Squad: Mr. DiGiovanni emailed and reported in person. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Kalafsky seconded that the Rescue Squad report be approved as distributed. Motion approved.

Mr. Albano made a request of the Board to donate a soon-to-be retired Chief Vehicle to be donated to the Rescue squad, to replace a 25-year-old FRV. The Board will consult with Mr. Braslow and will review at the September meeting.

Insurance: No update.

LOSAP: Mr. Rose reported that LOSAP invoice for previously existing eligible members has been paid. We are still awaiting the 3 newly eligible member applications to be processed and respective invoice.

Membership and Personnel: A new Junior member joined.

Bridgewater Joint Board: No update

Radio Upgrade: Chief Fernandes reported that we received a letter back from the county. We resent our initial letter. Currently operate on 6 regions; they want to downsize to 4; we want to expand when we go live since we are adding more people.

Trucks out of the District: Chief Fernandes requested Two engines, utility and Chief vehicle supported a burn in Middlesex on September 9th. Mr. Rose motioned and Mr. Kalafsky seconded for these trucks to be out of district. Motion approved.

New Development: No Report

Vehicle Training: Chief Fernandes advised that 3 members have been trained on UTV.

Vehicle Maintenance: Chief Fernandes reported that most of preventive maintenance has been completed. Ciccoa did pick up the Rescue and the Attack; working on a plan to have the maintenance performed for those two vehicles.

Software Update – CAD is currently being built. Update to come at September meeting.

Truck Committee – Chief Fernandes is speaking with one of the vendors that expressed interest in no longer submitting a bid.

Attack 43 - no update

Audit – Audit is pending.

New Business:

Legal discussion held off the record.

While off the record, we reviewed a legal matter to satisfactory conclusion.

Mr. Rose raised that 3 of the new Board members do not have jackets. Members to provide sizes to Mr. Rose. Mr. Rose will reach out to Mr. Wright regarding ID/Badges for new members.

Mr. Rose made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Kalafsky seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.