

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

Martinsville Station # 1
Martinsville, NJ
January 14, 2025

Meeting Minutes of the January 14, 2025 BOFC District #1

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Rosenberg at 8:01pm. Present: Mr. Rose, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Kalafsky, Mr. Bradley, Ms. Pinchiaroli, Chief Fernades, Deputy Chief Bradley.

Mr. Rose made a motion and Mr. Kalafsky seconded that we approve the minutes from December meeting. 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 reported received a document from the State regarding LOSAP (to be discussed with budget).

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

The meeting opened to the public at 8:06pm. Meeting closed to the public at 8:07pm.

Old Business

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

Insurance: Mr. Rose reported that we have not received information from the Fire Department needed to provide a quote on the Critical Care policy.

LOSAP: No report

Membership and Personnel: Chief Fernandes reported that Edward Michta III joined at Station 2. One member removed for not achieving points.

Bridgewater Joint Board: No report.

Radio Upgrade: Chief Fernandes reported that a layout for the new system was sent to County Comms. Waiting to hear back

Trucks out of the District: Chief Fernandes requested use of the Utility for the Ski Spree on Feb 7th at Mountain Creek.

New Development: No report.

Vehicle Training: Chief Fernandes reported that training is ongoing.

Vehicle Maintenance: Chief Fernandes reported Rescue 43 is at All American. Engine 4 pump test was successful.

Software Update – Chief Fernandes that we are waiting for the new computers. EOS training will follow.

Truck Committee – Chief Fernandes indicated that conversation to replace Engine 2 will need to be started.

Jackets & ID's – Mr. Rose reported that he was in contact with Flemington. One jacket has been misplaced with embroidery. Flemington is working on locating it. Mr. Rose is in conversation with Mr. Wright regarding the ID design.

Budget – Mr. Rose reported that the 2025 budget is conditionally approved by the State. Bridgewater Township will review on Thursday January 16th.

Mr. Rose motioned that the meeting be opened to the public to discuss the 2025 Budget. Mr. Kalafsky seconded. Meeting opened at 8:19pm. Meeting closed at 8:20pm.

Mr. Rose read into record the Budget Adoption Addition for 2025 was presented to the Board, Resolution 25-1. Budget of total revenues of \$650,323.19. \$645,884.19 in taxation. Election will

be held on the 3rd Saturday in February. Motion was approved via roll call vote. Approved unanimously.

New Business:

Mr. Rose read into record Resolution 25-2, Temporary Budget. 14% of last year's budget can be used for payment until budget is formally approved. Mr. Rose motioned; Mr. Kalafsky seconded. Approved via roll call. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Rose shared an email from LOSAP on the State CPI adjustment. LOSAP contribution maximum has been increased to \$2,141 (3.4% increase). Mr. Rose motioned that LOSAP contribution be raised to the \$2,141 maximum. Mr. Kalafsky seconded. Approved unanimously.

Chief Fernandes provided Incumbered Funds schedule. Schedule A provided expenses of \$25,040.18. Resolution 25-3, Incumbered Funds was approved via roll call vote unanimously.

Mr. Kalafsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Ms. Pinchiaroli seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.