

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 8
MINUTES OF MEETING
November 23, 2012**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 8, as publicized in the Home News Tribune, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Solovey. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence for our deceased brothers.

ROLL CALL R. Gillespie – present
 T. Mayoros – present
 D. Petrick – present
 K. Petz – absent
 M. Solovey – present

MINUTES: M/M Mayoros SEC Gillespie to dispense the minutes of the last regular monthly meeting.

BILLS:

1.	Continental Fire & Safety	\$ 1,885.00
2.	Home Depot	\$ 354.76
3.	Verizon	\$ 108.81
4.	Verizon	\$ 120.03
5.	MaryAnn Sofka	\$ 125.00
6.	Avio	\$ 131.79
7.	Casazza & Ur	\$ 1,083.33
8.	Comcast	\$ 30.50
9.	Communications Specialist	\$ 69.00
10.	Eddio's Plumbing & Heating	\$ 987.00
11.	Elizabethtown Gas	\$ 107.60
12.	Fire & Safety	\$ 302.13
13.	Middlesex County Fire Academy	\$ 63.00
14.	Hopelawn Engine Company	\$ 7,096.00
15.	Tom Hegedus	\$ 147.35
16.	Maureen Petrick	\$ 1,500.00
17.	Robert Gillespie	\$ 38.34
18.	Skylands Area Fire Equipment	\$ 1,176.00
19.	Best Electric	\$ 90.00
20.	Fire & Safety	\$ 213.00
21.	JRD Construction	\$ 2,271.38
22.	Lowe's	\$ 834.93
23.	PSE&G	\$ 571.18
24.	Richard Braslow	\$ 93.00
25.	Sequolla Land Design	\$ 200.00
26.	Silent Companion	\$ 240.00

27.	Verizon Business	\$ 68.99
28.	JRD Construction	\$ 4,212.00
29.	JRD Construction	\$ 9,400.00
30.	Villa Borghese	\$ 466.60
31.	JRD Construction	\$ 450.00
32.	MaryAnn Sofka	\$ 30.00
33.	Staples Credit Plan	\$ 358.95
34.	DFIS	\$ 4,518.00
35.	Hopelawn Engine Company	\$ 4,116.00
TOTAL		\$ 47,442.97

MM Gillespie SEC Mayaros to pay the bills.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1.	Provident Bank (Savings)	\$159,748.94
2.	Provident Bank (Checking)	\$186,380.79
3.	Capital Apparatus Fund	\$354,903.40
4.	Fire Prevention Bureau	\$ 27,025.77

TOTAL CHECKING AND SAVINGS \$728,058.90

MM Gillespie SEC Mayaros to accept Treasurer's Report

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COMMITTEES

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

1. Everything starting to go downstairs. The TVs are just about done. All that needs to be done is go out and get the furniture. Floor is getting started soon. Project moving.
2. Have an estimate on the roof and the roof is going to get started in about two to three weeks in the annex.
3. Had a guy come to look at the driveway to mill and repave.
4. Waiting for tile to come in to start upstairs.

APPARATUS AND VEHICLES:

1. Some repairs done to A2 again.
2. Monthly maintenance on all three vehicles done.
3. Had to call Fire & Safety to replace some of the lights that were broke on A2.

INSURANCE:

1. Submitted paperwork to FEMA, to BIFS and all the appropriate entities for the roof on the annex, the roof on the firehouse, all the

storm damage, the CB pole, Ron Chavez's vehicle and everything else sustained during Hurricane Sandy. Adjusters have come out. Just waiting to see how much reimbursement is received before having contractors do work. All insurance companies are behind right now.

FIRE PREVENTION:

1. Nothing.

FIRE EQUIPMENT:

1. Whatever is on order.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. In the process of updating all the batteries on the pagers and radios. Received a little water damage so we need to replace them.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

1. Tommy coming next week to give Dennis a hand getting together for the new website. Have to go back three years with stuff to post.
2. Took list from Bob and removed all the old Explorers and stuff like that off the insurance and filed their files.

FINANCE AND BUDGET:

1. Budget is done. Dropped off by the auditor. Have a Resolution to adopt it.

FIRE OFFICIAL REPORT (October, 2012)

1. Bureau registered two new life hazard users. Paperwork was forwarded to the Division of Fire & Safety, WaWa and Aldi.
2. Bureau investigated five complaints at Homestead Village, WaWa, 140 Smith Street, Dana Complex, Smith Street, Keasbey and 326 Smith Street, Fire Service Board for a main break in the building.
3. Bureau issued four permits during the month of October and November for Sipos Trucking, John Kopac Fleet Repair, Ice for Environmental Services and Majestic Lane's snack shop.
4. Bureau investigated a structural fire at Bayshore Recycling on October 30th, 2012 during Hurricane Sandy that severely damaged their maintenance garage. Fire report is on file for the incident.
5. Excalibur Corporation that was located at Quincy Court moved out of the district to Perth Amboy. Building now vacant awaiting a new tenant.
6. Hazard List – J.B. Hunt out of the warehouse complex on 326 Smith Street at the end of December, 2012. Moving to a larger facility in Monroe. Business removed on LAQ listing.
7. The bureau was at Walmart on Black Friday beginning 7:30 P.M.

Thanksgiving night until the early morning hours providing fire prevention services. Walmart also had firefighters from the department stationed at the entrance of the store providing occupancy load management. The store was filled to capacity multiple times and the flow of people were stopped until the aisle ways became clear. Firefighters were on the site from 7:30 P.M. Thanksgiving evening until 12 Noon on Friday.

8. The bureau conducted spot checks throughout the Black Friday weekend checking exits and fire lanes. They issued eight fire lane violations during the period and will be keeping check on the area until the end of December.
9. Sal's Pizza on 341 Crows Mill Road will be opening for business on Wednesday, November 28th, 2012. Business is registered until the LHU and paperwork has been submitted to the division.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

1. Day crew is going very well.
2. A rough draft of the NIAASH report came back on Bruce. A few changes were made. When the final report is due out will get in touch with Mrs. Turcotte to get her approval on it and will submit the final report with the recommendations. A final copy will be given to us.
3. Bob Gillespie thanked the district on doing a great job during the hurricane.

TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT:

1. Pump show is complete. Everybody passed the test. Now time to get training done for the driving.
2. Took Anthony Notoli out on Rescue 8 and took Wilson out on A2. Thanked the guys for setting it up.
3. November's drill is tonight. Mike Donahue from Progressive Rescue offered a free drill on the new training prep.
4. Looked into harnesses and did an informal count. Saw four sets of black gear that had no form of harness, three sets of gear that have no harness installed but the belt is tucked away in the corner of the gear stalls and about twelve sets total that don't have a gentler belt but the eight other sets are the newer sets of gear that have the harness. Did not get a count of rope bags. Estimate twelve sets of rope short.
5. Should get training for everybody. Last training was about five years ago.

FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Had nominations for officers and the execute board at the company meeting. The fire company president thanked the guys for their help throughout the years he was president.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**NEW BUSINESS:****PUBLIC:****RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Resolution 2013 – Whereas at the annual budget of the Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 for the financial year beginning January 1st, 2013 and ending December 31, 2013 has been presented before the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #8 at a public meeting on November 27th, 2012. Whereas the budget is introduced as compliance of the property tax CAP level. Within the annual budget introduced reflexes total revenue of \$769,360.00 which includes the amount to be raised by taxation of \$675,975.00 and a total appropriations of \$769,360.00. Whereas the amount raised by taxation it support the fire district shall be in an amount to be certified to the assessor of the municipal and assessed against the taxable property in the district. Such amount shall be equal to the amount of the total appropriation set forth in the budget minus the total surplus revenues set forth in the budget. Whereas calculating the amount has been raised by taxation Fire District #8 has not been taken into account the extensive value of the property in the fire district. Now therefore be it resolved the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #8 and the open public meeting held on November 27th, 2012 of the annual budget including amended schedules of the Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 for the fiscal year beginning January 1st, 2013 and ending December 31st, 2013 hereby be approved.

ADJOURNMENT: M/M Gillespie SEC Mayoros to adjourn at 7:22 P.M.

MINUTES TRANSCRIBED BY MARYANN SOFKA