

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 8
MINUTES OF MEETING
October 22, 2013**

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. R. Gillespie. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence for our deceased brothers.

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

MINUTES: M/M Petrick SEC Petz to dispense the minutes of the last regular monthly meeting.

BILLS:

1.	Jamie Nieves	\$ 150.00
2.	Villa Borghese	\$ 315.65
3.	NetLink	\$ 199.00
4.	Sipersteins (Paint)	\$ 85.00
5.	Verizon	\$ 120.07
6.	Elizabethtown Gas	\$ 124.71
7.	BMR Power	\$ 223.72
8.	Fords Lawnmower	\$ 107.18
9.	Liberty Mutual	\$ 3,800.00
10.	NFPA for new fire code renewal	\$ 1,165.50
11.	New Jersey Fire Equipment	\$ 302.35
12.	Petro Choice (speed dry)	\$ 379.31
13.	Richard Braslow	\$ 928.00
14.	Verizon	\$ 40.01
15.	Villa Borghese	\$ 103.25
16.	New Jersey Fire Equipment	\$ 1,455.00
17.	Comcast	\$ 19.96
18.	Hopelawn Engine Crew (final janitorial crew payment)	\$ 24,800.00
19.	Middlesex County Water	\$ 85.98
20.	Middlesex County Water	\$ 5,056.63
21.	PSE&G	\$ 945.38
22.	V.E. Ralph & Son	\$ 151.90
23.	Hopelawn Engine Company (4 th installment for fire protection agreement)	\$ 24,000.00

24.	Middlesex County Water	\$ 218.76
25.	Casazza & Ur	\$ 1,083.33
26.	Bell Ford	\$ 99.90
27.	Crystal Springs	\$ 181.54
28.	Direct IV	\$ 196.98
29.	Manerva Cleaners	\$ 209.00
30.	New Jersey Press Media Solutions (for notices in the paper)	\$ 46.98
31.	Verizon Fios	\$ 68.99
32.	Verizon Select Services	\$ 5.05
33.	WEX Bank	\$ 845.46
34.	Manerva Cleaners	\$ 442.50
35.	DCRP	\$ 12.34
36.	MaryAnn Sofka	\$ 60.00
TOTAL		\$ 68,072.42

MM Petrick SEC Gillespie to pay the bills.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1.	Provident Bank (Savings)	\$139,312.74
2.	Provident Bank (Checking)	\$ 45,270.68
3.	Capital Apparatus Fund	\$355,915.00
4.	Fire Prevention Bureau	\$ 27,062.87

TOTAL CHECKING AND SAVINGS \$567,561.29

MM Petrick SEC Gillespie to accept Treasurer's Report

COMMISSIONER ISSUES

MICHAEL SOLOVEY (Absent)

ROBERT GILLIESPIE

- House – Working on a few things. Signed a contract with PSE&G. Waiting for them to come in and start the work. Myself and Dennis went to gentleman in Colonia. He's got a right-to-grant for us. As soon as it gets released he will call me or Dennis. He will come down to talk to us. Will not charge us for his services.

THOMAS MAYOROS (Absent)

KEVIN PETZ

1. Trucks and Equipment - Continue to repair stuff as it comes through to the day crew and the fire chief.
2. Auxiliary Vehicles - Recently had oil changed. No outstanding repairs except for A2. Having a problem from the generator back. Think it's a blown fuse. Got a call into Fire & Safety to check that out.

DENNIS PETRICK

1. Budget – Will have a workshop tonight with Maria and John working on it after the meeting. Everything going according to plan.
2. New truck – Application for new truck has been put into the local finance board and completed. Waiting for an answer on that.
3. Fire & Safety – Yearly maintenance for the vehicle should be very soon.

COMMUNICATIONS:

HUMAN RESOURCE:

FIRE OFFICIAL'S ISSUES

1. Bureau has issued seven permits in the month of October. Four permits were issued to Oilmatic. One permit to Universal Truck Repair, one permit to Express Container and one permit to Selective Transport. All checks were received and turned over to the fire commissioners. The Bureau investigated the complaint at Hampton Inn regarding an individual who tampered with a smoke alarm in the hotel room. The system was checked out by the alarm company and put back into service. Frank also notes that he is having ongoing problems with the new RIMS system that the Division of Fire and Safety has switched over to last month. The Division is attempting to resolve the problems with the logging on system. Business owners are continuing to have difficulty logging on to the system and they are in the process of trying to straighten that that stuff out.

FIRE CHIEF'S ISSUES:

1. This coming Friday is our Live Burn at the Middlesex County Fire Academy.
2. Fire Officers meeting tomorrow night between our officers and Keasbey.
3. The fire call that happened on Sunday, there was an issue surrounding the red team getting call. Had a discussion briefly with Bill Kazwick. He's going to look into what went on and what process was filed and what wasn't. He'll address that with his dispatchers. Dispatcher said he was the one that screwed up.
4. Step lights from generate on back of A2 appears to be a blown fuse or cut wire or some kind of ground.
5. A2's gas meter is temporarily on Rescue 8. Rescue 8 during the check yesterday came up as needing calibration on the large meter. We still have a spare meter but it also needs to be calibrated so we are short one right now. A2 does not have one on it.
6. There doesn't appear to be any problems with A3 that I'm aware of.
7. When doing a check on Rescue 8 earlier this month we found that we are missing a pipe bolt from the upstairs compartment passenger's side. Asked around and no one seems to know where it went. One week Solovey caught it and the following week Chabala caught it and then I caught it on the 7th that it was missing. Went back through their paperwork and they indicate that it was there and the week before I did it and it was there. It's MIA and I have no way of proofing out why it got moved. I don't find it anywhere else on the apparatus so I really do not have an idea as to where that thing has gone.
8. Ground light on the passenger's side crew cab just yesterday during checkout was identified as having a problem. Jamie had just done these lights a while back and they were all working. On Monday that light is out.
9. Think the pipe pole is on A2.

TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT

1. Due to my continued training class I was unable to attend September's drill. However I provided Chief Honchez with materials for delivering drill based on the gas detector and thermo imaging camera.
2. Upcoming drill on Friday is going to be a live burn exercise at the Fire Academy. We will be using Building Four at the academy.
3. Met with Mike Donohue about the bailout systems. We were presented with two options, the Sterling F4 System and the CMC Escape Artist. The advantage of the Escape Artist is that it contains a braking system on both directions of the handle so pulling and not pulling is too hard. This would benefit a firefighter who panics while bailing out and pulls hard on the handle normally causing an uncontrolled descend. Those members who still have the Jantor Harness it is recommended that we switch to the left side open harness. The bailout kit needs to be attached to the belt at the time

from proper deployment. The current style will not allow that to happen properly. The new gear already opens on the left side so they aren't an issue. I will provide Mike Donohue with a final count of the kits and belts this week so we can get it invoiced to you.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. The grill light on the Excursion will be fixed and all the radios will be returned on Friday.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Will meet with John and Maria.

FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

FIRE OFFICIALS REPORT:

PUBLIC:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 1313 authorizing Local Finance Board application. Whereas the Fire District needs to secure financing relative to the lease purchase of a fire truck and whereas the Fire District has secured various proposals relative to the same and where as the Fire District needs to secure a Local Finance Board positive findings relative to the proposed financing. Now therefore be it resolved by the Commissioners of Fire District #8, Township of Woodbridge, County of Middlesex as follows: The Board hereby authorizes application to the Local Finance Board relative to proposed fire truck financing.
Kevin Petz – Yes Robert Gillespie – Yes Dennis Petrick - Yes

ADJOURNMENT:

M/M Petrick SEC Petz to adjourn at 7:15 P.M.

MINUTES TRANSCRIBED BY MARYANN SOFKA