

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1 was held on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

Commissioner John C. Kenny called the meeting to order.

Maria Bucsanszky: Mr. President – All the requirements of the “Open Public Meeting Act” have been complied with by advertising in the Home News Tribune and Star Ledger. Copies of the meeting notice have been sent to the Municipal Clerk’s Office and posted on the bulletin boards of the fire house and the post offices of Woodbridge and Sewaren. Mr. President, you may proceed.

Commissioner John C. Kenny led a pledge to the flag.

A moment of silence was observed for our departed members especially Robert Woodward and for those that are recovering and ill for Eddie McGuinn and Bob Bader.

PRESENT: Commissioner Todd Howell, Commissioner John C. Kenny, Commissioner Robert Minkler, Sr., Commissioner Jeffrey Moran

EXCUSED: Commissioner Patrick Kenny

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney – Christopher Howell
Clerk – Maria Bucsanszky
Chief Charles Kenny

Commissioner Robert Minkler, Sr. made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13th, 2018 Regular Meeting which was seconded by Commissioner Todd Howell and carried unanimously.

Commissioner J.C.K.: We will now go into the Committee Reports – Personnel and Liaison to the Volunteer Fire Company – Commissioner Moran.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL AND LIAISON TO THE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY:

Commissioner J.M.: I met with Chief Chris Kenny since the last meeting and it worked at well with his ideas of what is was doing with the volunteers. Chief Charles Kenny has laid out plans for training in the upcoming months and he’s moving forward with that; no other personnel issues.

Commissioner J.C.K.: Okay, any questions for Personnel and Liaison to the Volunteer Fire Company? Moving on to Apparatus and Vehicles – Commissioner Howell.

APPARATUS AND VEHICLES:

Commissioner T.H.: Report for the month of March. On Engine 1-1 we replaced the front left marker light, replaced all eleven fold-down steps, this was warrantee work because of peeling chrome, and repaired the cab AC drain. On Engine 1-2 replaced several lights and wiring for the side power mirror and it was also sent to Campbell for a leak repair in the rear passenger compartment. Also repaired the water leak in the cab and the diesel leak by replacing the fuel tank cap which wasn't venting. Also repaired the LBH large hammer hose valve and that was repaired. And on Engine 1-3 the officer's side quartz light was repaired and a new set of caps on the folding ladder were installed and we replaced the voltage gauge on the pump panel which stopped working. On Truck 1-2-6 the fuel gauge was not moving and they're monitoring this to see what happened. We also repaired the vent notch-box key, replaced the aerial pressure hydraulic filter housing and repaired the red emergency rotator warning light, replaced the front grill warning lights and repaired the passenger rear outrigger sensor and replaced the aerial discharge gauge which was leaking fluid. On the Officer vehicle of 1-3-1 that would be the Chief's vehicle, a scratch was noted on the windshield; no action was taken at this time, it was considered minor. On Car 1-3-5 the auto-eject is still not working and Campbell is also working on trying to figure out why it's not working. That's the extent of the report sir.

Commissioner J.C.K.: Okay, any questions for Apparatus and Vehicles? Fire Prevention, Telecommunications and Hydrants – Commissioner Minkler.

FIRE PREVENTION:

Commissioner R.M.: Thank you Mr. President. Report dated April 2nd which will be covering the month of March, 2018. Fire Investigations – 0; Total Inspections Completed in March – 44; Complaints of Spot Inspections – 4; Life Hazards – 18; Non-Life Hazard Uses – 22; Total Re-Inspections – 59; Permits Issued – 4; Total amount billed in March - \$1,560.00; Total amount collected in March - \$3,324.00 and the Fire Safety Education Dr. Seuss readings are at the schools. That's my report for Fire Prevention Mr. President.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND HYDRANTS:

Commissioner R. M.: Telecommunications – We have a meeting April 9th at Town Hall. We'll be going there to see their proposal on the (inaudible) Radio System.

Commissioner J.C.K.: Okay, any questions for Fire Prevention or Telecommunications and Hydrants? Okay, Building and Grounds.