

# **Board of Fire Commissioners**

## **District #2**

### **Regular Meeting**

**December 20th, 2016 07:00 PM**

Chairman Combates called the regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District #2 to order at the Fire Commissioners Building, 101 Netherwood Ave.

A salute to the flag, and a moment of silence was held.

#### Roll Call:

Commissioner Jim Mosier present  
Commissioner Bob Burns present  
Commissioner Rich Recine present  
Commissioner Dave Hough present  
Commissioner Pete Combates present

Commissioner Combates asked Secretary Hough if all of the advertisements have been posted for tonight's meeting. Commissioner Hough replied in the affirmative. Commissioner Hough read the minutes of the Special Meeting held on December 8, 2016, and also read the minutes from the Caucus Meeting held on December 12, 2016. Commissioner Combates called for a motion to approve the minutes of the two meetings as read. Commissioner Burns made a motion to approve the minutes as read, Commissioner Recine seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Correspondence - Commissioner Hough:

No Correspondence.

#### Treasurer's Report - Commissioner Mosier:

For Joint Board, all of the bills have been posted.

#### Joint Board Account -

Beginning Balance \$35,875.95 as of 11/1  
Deposits \$200.00  
Interest Paid \$2.33  
Checks \$1,059.34  
Ending Balance \$35,018.94

District 2 account, with the exception of approximately \$1500 in outstanding bills pending payment.

Fire District 2 Commissioners Account -

Beginning Balance \$1,160,970.08 as of 11/1  
Deposits \$802,067.28  
Credits (Interest) \$100.79  
Checks Paid \$41,578.73  
Electronic Payment \$3,966.65  
Ending Balance \$1,917,592.77

Commissioner Combates called for a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read, and asked for approval to pay the approximate \$1500 of outstanding bills. Commissioner Burns made the motion, second by Commissioner Hough. Motion carried.

Insurance - Commissioner Recine:

Commissioner Recine reported that received the bills for the coming year. He gave an invoice to Commissioner Mosier for Workmen's Compensation. Commissioner Recine was in contact with VFIS again because there was still an issue with the switch over from Lincoln Benefit Life to Massachusetts Mutual regarding Mr. Crimone's LOSAP request. Commissioner Recine also mentioned that he tried to speed up the processing of the clothing allowance distributions so that they would be received prior to the holidays, but he made a mistake with the figures, and needs to make adjustments.

Commissioner Combates read a resolution regarding the old phoenix tools donation to the East Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Department, and the liability waiver. He also read a thank you letter from the East Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Combates called for a motion to donate the phoenix tools as read in the resolution. Commissioner Recine made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Burns. Motion carried.

Purchasing & Supplies – Commissioner Burns:

Commissioner Burns reported that he set up an account with Safety Clean and they processed an order for speedy dry. He expects the order to be in soon.

Membership – Commissioner Hough:

No Report

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

New Rescue Truck Committee – Commissioner Combates reported that pricing has not yet been received from Pierce. Drawings and specifications have been received from Spartan. Commissioner Combates informed Bob Cowan that the purchase of the rescue will not happen until after March. John Smolko reported that he has been working on comparing the specs between Spartan and Pierce, and there are important differences to be reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business

PUBLIC:

Rutgers – Chief Scott. The District has some concerns with on-site cancellations, street boundaries, and football game/stadium coverage staging and personnel. Chief Scott mentioned the policy from 2004, that was updated in 2009. A lengthy discussion ensued. Chief Scott said he would provide the Commissioners with a copy of the Rutgers Agreement.

River Road – John Smolko reported that from 11/1/2015 to 10/31/16, the average turnout from River Road was 5 guys per call. It was mentioned in an earlier meeting that the average was 2 guys. John asked Commissioner Burns about the status of the sledge hammer and the scott bottles orders. Commissioner Burns said the scott bottles have been ordered. He will check to see if the sledge hammer is on order. The batteries are on back order.

Holmes Marshall – Derrick Presley said he needs the Certificate of Insurance for 2017 sent over to the Middlesex Academy. Derrick asked for an explanation of the notice that was handed out regarding the liquor policy, and Commissioner Recine explained that the liquor policy needs to be added to the hall rental contracts, per the risk assessment that was done. It was suggested that proof of homeowners/renters insurance policies be required for hall rentals, in the event of an accident.

Possumtown - Chief Paul Snyder received a letter from an attorney for a subpoena regarding an accident involving a girl. Derrick Presley mentioned that the girl was with River Road at the time, and that the lawyer did not know which fire company was involved so they sent the letter to three companies. Chief Snyder was told to call the lawyer and let him know that his fire company was not involved.

Commissioner Combates asked the rescue squad to provide a written report to the Commissioners detailing the funding/soft billing received by the rescue squad, and they were asked to also provide a monthly run status report.

Commissioner Combates called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Burns made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Commissioner Recine. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.