

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #3, was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Commissioner Logan on December 17, 2007.

**PRESENT** – Commissioners Logan, Baylis, Eitel, Concato and Flora

**ABSENT** - None

This meeting was duly advertised in accordance with the open business-meeting act of the State of New Jersey.

**VOLUNTEER COMPANY REPORT** – No report

**SECRETARIES REPORT** – Motion to approve the minutes as typed with the correction to the one paragraph pertaining to the Sign by Commissioner Eitel, seconded by Commissioner Flora. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Logan, Flora, Concato and Eitel. **NAY:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** - Commissioner Flora reads the summary of the report. Motion to accept the summary as read made by Commissioner Concato, seconded by Commissioner Eitel. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Logan, Flora, Concato and Eitel. **NAY:** None.

End of year Transfer Resolution read by Commissioner Flora. Motion to accept the Resolution by Commissioner Eitel, Seconded by Commissioner Flora. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Logan, Flora, Concato and Eitel. **NAY:** None.

Question and discussion regarding transfer amounts.

**ATTORNEY JOSEPH YOUSSEUF** – Discussion regarding LOSAP. Attorney Youssouf provides the Board with a detailed synopsis of the LOSAP program. Attorney Youssouf reads the Resolution for LOSAP. Further discussion regarding the Losap Point System and the criteria of running the program. He advised that the program cannot be deleted once it is approved at the polls for the first time. Question raised as to at what point do they get paid. Attorney advises that after five years, they can be paid. There will be a certified list from the volunteer fire company in December. No funds will be expended until December 08. The Board will have to look into companies to run the LOSAP program if it is approved at the poles in February.

Commissioner Flora makes a resolution to accept the LOSAP Resolution changing the number to \$800 for this year, no cola, delete the last sentence. Seconded by Commissioner Concato. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Flora, Concato, and Logan **NAY:** Commissioner Eitel **ABSTAIN:** Commissioner Baylis

Attorney Youssouf re-reads the resolution approved at the last meeting appointing individuals to Fire Inspector. Motion by Commissioner Concato to add Lieutenant

Moore to this list, seconded by Commissioner Flora. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Logan, Flora, Baylis, Concato and Eitel. **NAY:** None.

**BUREAU FIRE SAFETY REPORT** - A report has been given to the Commissioners for review, as well as a Fire Prevention package for the Commissioners review. A copy of report is attached.

**CHIEF BYRNES REPORT** - A report has been given to the Commissioners for review. A copy of report is attached.

Chief Byrnes advises that all trucks are in service at this time.

Discussion regarding the first trip to Wisconsin to see the plans for the new Aerial Platform. Commissioner Baylis, Chief Byrnes and Chief Smith are to attend.

Letter of accommodation for Lieutenant Moore and Firefighter Zimmerman regarding November 28, 2007 incident read into the record. This letter is to be placed in their files.

**CHIEF SMITH'S REPORT** – No Report

**HEALTH & FITNESS COMMITTEE** – No report

**OLD BUSINESS** – Discussion regarding the Volunteer First Aid Building. Being investigated as to who actually owns the property. Nick is looking for the survey. Nothing heard back at this time from the mayor.

Discussion regarding a temporary container. Volunteer Fire Company looking for \$12,000 for a shed. Board to push for the First Aid Building. Will look further into the matter.

Discussion regarding a gate for Johnson Park. Fred of Public Works was to put a gate to the front. Board advises NO GATE. Ken to tell the administrator to move the gate back to the tennis courts. He is not to close us off.

Discussion regarding outfitting the truck with equipment and mounting it ourselves. Concerns regarding voiding warranty. Will look into the matter as the time draws nearer. Whatever we can mount, we will. Otherwise we will have to have them mount certain things to avoid breaking the warranty.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Nothing

**STRATEGIC PLANNING**: \$40,000 in 2008's budget to hire a consultant to come out and plan. Remove Strategic Planning from the agenda until after the consultant has completed his study.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**: Nothing

\$20,000 incentive check to be held until such time as documentation is presented to the board. The board was advised previously that they were not going to make it this year. Have not heard anything to the contrary.

Discussion regarding the election and have the candidates come and speak. Bonnie to provide candidates names, addresses and phone numbers after petitions are closed.

Motion to accept a Resolution authorizing a closed-session or executive session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation; lawyer-client privileged material and personnel material. Subject matter to be released when it is no longer privileged, by Commissioner Baylis, Seconded by Commissioner Flora. **ROLE CALL:**  
COMMISSIONER EITEL: AYE; COMMISSIONER CONCATO: AYE; COMMISSIONER LOGAN: AYE; COMMISSIONER BAYLIS: AYE; COMMISSIONER FLORA: AYE.

Meeting closed to the public for Executive at 9:31p.m.

Executive session opened at 9:31 p.m. In attendance are Commissioner Concato, Baylis, Flora, Eitel and Logan. Deputy Chief Byrnes and Attorney Joseph Youssouf.

Executive session closed at 10:45 p.m.

Regular meeting reopened at 10:45 p.m.

Motion to create a resolution creating a table of organization to be detailed out at the next meeting. Motion by Commissioner Eitel, Seconded by Commissioner Baylis.  
**VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Logan, Flora, Concato and Eitel. **NAY:** None.

Motion to return to executive session to discuss further contract issues. Executive Session reopened at 10:46.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:00 p.m. by Commissioner Baylis, seconded by Commissioner Flora. **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

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**COMMISSIONER FLORA, SECRETARY**