

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #3, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Commissioners Baylis on February 26, 2007.

PRESENT - Commissioners Baylis, Logan, Flora, Eitel, and Concato.

ABSENT -None.

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

VOLUNTEER COMPANY REPORT – President Carson advised that there are four new members, but the paperwork has not been processed as of yet. He will provide this Board with the paperwork.

Discussion with regard to access to the sub-station. Administrative Clerk was advised by the Board that no one is to have a key until they have been approved by this Board.

SECRETARIES REPORT - The reading of the minutes of January were tabled until the March meeting.

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

Discussion with regard to the yearly audit. Motion to accept Ronald Petrics to do the 2006 audit by Commissioner Eitel, seconded by Commissioner Logan. **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

ATTORNEY JOSEPH YOUSOUF - Not in attendance

CHIEF BYRNES 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

Discussion regarding the Aldrich Road Fire. SOG's are being worked on to resolve the issues that occurred by Commissioner Flora and Chief Byrnes and Chief Smith.

Commissioner Logan advises that Chief Byrnes requested to attend the Chief's Seminar in Maryland in May. He is seeking reimbursement of the room. Motion to approve the seminar by Commissioner Eitel, seconded by Commissioner Logan. **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

CHIEF'S REPORT – A report has been given to the Commissioners for review. A copy of the report is attached.

Discussion with regard to the Jackson Police and EMS. Assistant Chief Fatovic advises that they are working out the details and establishing salaries. He also advised that the new vehicle came in and broke down on 195 on Friday. Conflicting reports as to the townships hand in the EMS program by the public. Assistant Chief Fatovic advised that he will look into it. Commissioner Eitel will also look into the program.

Discussion regarding the radio upgrade system and Assistant chief Fatovic advised that the back up system didn't work. They are looking into a back-up to the back-up. He advised that when the county is up, the township will be backup but no changes will be made until the changes are complete.

Board requested that the upcoming drills be placed in the Chief's report.

Motion made to allow firefighter Millard to attend the two requested schools in order to maintain his CEU's for his EMT certification. Motion by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Eitel. . **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

OLD BUSINESS - Commissioner Baylis advised that no one showed up for the truck committee meeting last Thursday. Chief Byrnes was sick, but no one else came. Commissioner Baylis is looking into putting the caft system into the aerial, adding a compressor on the truck. They advised Pierce and are looking into other companies. Commissioner Baylis is getting the specs together and will be contacting the attorney next week to get the specs drawn up and presented at the next meeting. Length on the truck is still a problem and the angle coming into the main building is an issue. The fire company is considering regarding the ramp. Board will be advised.

NEW BUSINESS – Commissioner Baylis questioned whether or not CDL Licenses should be required for our drivers, especially with this new truck. It is Commissioner Baylis's recommendation that the require it.

Commissioner Concato advised that he and Chief Byrnes are working on the vehicle usage SOG and will provide it to the Board as soon as it is prepared.

Discussion regarding the Gym usage. Board recommends that the rules stay as they are at this time.

STRATEGIC PLANNING – nothing

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – Al Robbins wishes to thank the members of the Board for the preparation of the budget. Discussion regarding the new budget.

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 Flora, Seconded by Commissioner Concato. **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 8:21p.m.

Executive session opened at 8:21 p.m. In attendance are Commissioner Concato, Baylis, Flora, Eitel and Logan. Administrative Clerk Brown and FMBA President Howles.

Executive session closed at 8:25 p.m.

Regular meeting reopened at 8:25 p.m.

Motion to approve the signing of the FMBA Contract by Commissioner Eitel, Seconded by Commissioner Logan. . **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

Executive session reconvened at 8:30 after signing the contract, to complete personnel and litigation matters.

Regular meeting reopened at 9:20 p.m.

Motion to create a Resolution by title creating a third Lieutenant's position fore Fire District #3. Motion made by Commissioner Eitel, seconded by Commissioner Logan. Attorney to draw up the resolution. . **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

Motion to give Part-Time Senior Clerk Typist the salary increase of 3.5% for 2007 and 4% for 2008. Commissioner Eitel to check with DOP with similar salaries. Motion to accept by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Flora. . **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m. by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Flora. **VOTE: AYE** - Commissioners Baylis, Flora, Eitel, Concato and Logan. **NAY** - None.

COMMISSIONER FLORA, SECRETARY