

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF BRICK
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON APRIL 10, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: Ronald M. Braen, Jr., Commissioner
Stephen W. Earl, Jr., Commissioner
John C. Hefferon, Commissioner
Joseph J. Pawlowicz, Jr., Commissioner
Charles F. Turner, Commissioner
Jay C. Sendzik, Esq.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 2 of the Township of Brick has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, place and agenda to the extent known thereof posted as follows:

1. Published in the Asbury Park Press on December 18, 2017
2. Published in the Brick Times on December 23, 2018
3. Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on December 14, 2017
4. Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building, the office of the Joint Board of Fire Commissioners, and Bureau of Fire Safety
5. Posted on www.brickfire.org.

President Pawlowicz called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

Flag salute followed by announcement of emergency exits.

Roll call.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Braen, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the March 13, 2018 meeting minutes. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed.

Correspondence

President Pawlowicz reported on a letter he received from Sendzik & Sendzik regarding payment of a death benefit. It is of Counsel's opinion that the proceeds of this group life insurance policy become an asset of the member's estate and should therefore be distributed in accordance with Intestate or Testate laws. A motion was made by Commissioner Braen and seconded by Commissioner Earl to follow the Board Attorney's recommendation. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner

Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed. The Chief was asked to remind members to update their beneficiary information any time a life-changing event occurs that would affect payout of an insurance claim.

Public Participation (Agenda Items Only)

None.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Earl gave the Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Commissioner Hefferon and seconded by Commissioner Turner to accept the report. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed.

Approval of Requisitions

Commissioner Braen outlined a requisition for the purchase of six GPS units for fire apparatus. A motion was made by Commissioner Braen and seconded by Commissioner Earl to approve the request in the amount of \$2,279.94. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed.

Approval of Vouchers and Bills

A motion was made by Commissioner Turner and seconded by Commissioner Hefferon to approve the bills as presented including additions. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed. Commissioners each voted "present" on any payment(s) to themselves.

Board Member's Request to Schedule Agenda Item

None.

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Paul Mazzeo's report was distributed to Board members. Commissioner Braen gave an update on Boat Unit 2326, which is being readied for the season by Comstock and will then be docked at Wehrlen Brothers.

Chief Mazzeo also noted that he spoke with Commissioner Hefferon about the FLIR camera on new Unit 2305, which was supposed to be installed by KME at no charge. KME has requested \$1,500 from the District toward a \$3,000 overrun cost for the installation. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed that KME should stand by the initial agreement. A motion was made by President Pawlowicz and seconded by Commissioner Turner to refuse contribution toward FLIR installation. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed. Counsel will issue a letter to KME confirming the Board's position.

A District 2 homeowner's lawn sustained minor damage from apparatus during a fire call. Chief Mazzeo spoke with the resident, who will obtain an estimate for repairs. A motion was made by Commissioner Hefferon and seconded by Commissioner Earl to authorize payment for repairs. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed.

Standing Committees

Business and Management Committee

A meeting is planned with Allcomm Technologies, engineer for the cell tower contractor and Communications Technician on Thursday. Counsel and President Pawlowicz will follow up with the Township.

Legislation Committee

Solicitor Sendzik briefed the Board on administrative codes pertaining to the transfer of funds electronically and vendor credit cards. This will be discussed further with the Business and Management Committee.

Chiefs Committee

Commissioner Hefferon thanked Chief Mazzeo for dealing with KME while he was hospitalized.

Communications/Computer Committee

The computer issue in Truck Unit 2300 has been resolved.

Technical Rescue Committee

Chief/Team Captain Mazzeo informed the Board that the FEMA grant application he submitted for Paratech air struts was not approved. He is also still working with Toms River Commissioners on procurement of a new trailer.

Insurance Committee

Commissioner Earl reported on two pending life insurance claims.

LOSAP Committee

VALIC representative Eric Anderson attended last week's Fire Company meeting to assist members with their accounts. First quarter statements were issued.

Old Business

None.

New Business

A motion was made by Commissioner Braen and seconded by Commissioner Earl to move a Resolution Authorizing Advances for Expenses in the amount of \$400 each for seven officers to attend FDIC. Roll call: Commissioner Braen, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner Hefferon, Commissioner Turner, President Pawlowicz—Yes (5), No—(0). Motion passed. Commissioners each voted “present” on their advance.

Solicitor's Report

No report.

Auditor's Report

No report.

President's Report

No report.

President's Report

President Pawlowicz commended the Chief and members on the excellent response and cooperation between all fire companies during the recent fire at the George Conway apartment complex.

Future Agenda Items

None.

Miscellaneous

No report.

Public Participation (General Fire Service Matters)

None.

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No report.

Closed Session

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
Charles F. Turner, Secretary
Board of Fire Commissioners
District No. 2