

June 11, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS of the FLORENCE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 was held on the above date at 18:30 with Commissioner Bauer presiding. We saluted the flag, the "Sunshine Statement" was read, and roll call was taken.

ROLL CALL: Present – S. Arnold, C. Bauer, A. Miller (late), W. Rzomp, C. Sklodowski
Absent – None

Minutes of the previous meetings May 14, 2012

A motion was made by Commissioner Arnold, seconded by Commissioner Rzomp to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2012 meeting as printed and distributed. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT: (Rob Inverso)

1. None

SOLICITOR: Robert Gaskill

2. Nothing for open session.

BATTALION CHIEF/BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT: B/C Mullen submitted report via email.

BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION: Marc Stranko reported:

1. Marc Stranko is scheduling inspections that are due this month.

EMS REPORT: B/C Popso's submitted reports via email:

1. Chief Scully reported there were 18 second rig calls and 7 were handled by 909. It has the mutual aid response times and there is nothing out of the ordinary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Insurance: Carolyn Taylor reported:

1. Six worker comp claims and one equipment/gear claim were submitted for the 5/31/2012 incident. Out of the six w/c claims, three are still open, and three are closed. The three claims that are still open are also being submitted through our secondary insurance.

Purchases:

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Policy:

1. None.

Training: Marc Stranko submitted his report via email.

Truck/Equipment/Building: Todd Estelow reported:

1. 4012 repairs were completed at Roadrunner.
2. 4082 – Chief Scully reported 4082 was taken to R.W Tire for bald tires. They gave us a quote for two tires and they are being replaced.

Fire Company Liaison: Commissioner Arnold reported:

1. The company is moving forward with the parade.
2. The hoagie sale this past week was successful.
3. Energy Savers - FM Richardson had previously looked into the energy savers. The units get shut down in 10 or 15 minute intervals. Commissioner Arnold will try to follow up with Public Service.
4. Office, operational, and cleaning supplies – Chief Scully and the line officers are working on the operational supplies. Todd was going to order the cleaning supplies, but they were ordered the previous day. In the future, he will be ordering the cleaning supplies along with the office supplies.

Information Technology Report: Todd Estelow submitted report via email.

1. He received a quote from Comcast for the T-1 phone line. There is about \$150.00 savings per month, but the numbers on the quote are inaccurate and he is waiting for another quote.

Radio:

1. Chief Scully reported the pagers that we sent out for narrow banding have come back.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

1. Justin Peters as an active firefighter.
A motion was made by Commissioner Rzomp and seconded by Commissioner Sklodowski for the application to take its usual course pending the results of the background check. Motion carried.
2. Tyrill Brock for the explorer program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Sklodowski for the application to take its usual course. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. None

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Sklodowski to approve to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT:

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Arnold, seconded by Commissioner Sklodowski to approve the treasurer's report as printed and distributed. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The FEMA SAFER Grant amendment update – The electronics have been ordered and we have until the end of the month.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Purchase of new lawn mower (Brian's email) – A discussion ensued. There was no action taken.
2. Approval to apply for the 2012 Assistance to Firefighter Grant for SCBA and SCBA accessories -
A motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Rzomp to authorize B/C Mullen to write the 2012 Assistance to Firefighter Grant for SCBA and SCBA Accessories. Motion carried.
3. Resolution 2012-14 Ed Kensler as professional service as a grant writer to write the 2012 Assistance to Firefighter Grant. A discussion ensued. No action taken at this time. (See below under Unfinished Business.)
4. Approval to hire six (6) additional EMS Per-diems – The addition of these per-diems are to add to the per-diem pool to help fill open shifts, not to replace anyone who is currently on the roster.
A motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Sklodowski to authorize B/C Mullen and B/C Popso to hire six (6) additional EMS Per-diem staff. Motion carried.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, and seconded by Commissioner Rzomp to open the meeting to the public. Motion carried.

1. Mr. Michael Stranko suggested to the Board that Ed Kensler submit on actual

letterhead, his proposal for writing the grant and to include his fees and scope of work.

2. Mr. Michael Stranko suggested we put in some type of permanent access and a cat-walk for easier/safer access to the items that are located in the ceiling areas. Todd Estelow will look into this.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sklodowski, and seconded by Commissioner Arnold to close the public portion of the meeting. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

A motion was made by Commissioner Rzomp and seconded by Commissioner Arnold to go into the closed session portion of the meeting. Motion carried.

- 2 Personnel contracts
- 3 Temporary Fire Official
- 4 Staffing

OPEN SESSION:

A motion was made by Commissioner Sklodowski and seconded by Commissioner Rzomp to go back into regular session. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Resolution 2012-14 Ed Kensler as professional service as a grant writer to write the 2012 Assistance to Firefighter Grant.
A motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Arnold adopt Resolution 2012-14 – Ed Kensler to write the Assistance to Firefighter Grant for the amount of \$200.00 for the original writing of the grant, and if we actually receive the grant, an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. Roll call vote: Commissioner Arnold-yes; Commissioner Bauer-yes; Commissioner Miller-yes; Commissioner Rzomp-yes; and Commissioner Sklodowski-yes. Motion carried 5/0.
2. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Sklodowski to authorize Chief Scully for expenditures up to \$1,000.00 for emergency repairs in the event B/C Mullen is not available. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE BOARD:

1. Commissioner Miller expressed good news that everyone is doing better and a speedy recovery to FM Richardson and B/C Mullen.
2. Commissioner Bauer thanked the career staff and Chief Scully for all they are doing.
3. Commissioner Arnold thanked the Chiefs, officers, and career staff; everyone has pulled together and kept the department moving.
4. Commissioner Sklodowski – AMEN.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Commissioner Rzomp seconded by Commissioner Arnold to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Taylor