

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

WORK SESSION
July 6, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

The Work Session meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners is called to order at 7:36 pm.

This meeting is being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act". Public Notice of this meeting was mailed to the Clerk of the Township of Ocean and posted at the Oakhurst Firehouse on February 25, 2009, and advertised in The Coaster and in the Atlanticville on March 5, 2009.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Board members were present: Thomas Reu, James Hiers, Scott Nelson, Russell Williams and Anthony Palmisano. Fire District Administrator Arthur Schenck, Fire Marshal Timothy Smith, Deputy Fire Marshal Chris Pujat, Maintenance/Repair Technician Michael Fiorentino and the Fire Department and First Aid Squad Officers were also present.

BUSINESS:

Hiers - Price quotes have been solicited for the repair of the flat roof sections of Station No. 2. To save money, Mike will remove the current stone ballast. Quotes received are: (Excluding stone ballast removal)

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| G & M Eastern Contracting, Inc. | \$22,300.00 |
| Garden State Roofing | \$25,000.00 |
| Bellavia & Miele, LLC | \$19,750.00 |

Hiers motioned to accept the quote from Bellavia & Miele for \$19,750.00. Reu seconded. Questions? None. Roll call vote of Reu, Hiers, Nelson, Williams and Palmisano was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Williams - As a result of the recent UL testing of our ground ladders, three ladders revealed "defects" under the Visual Inspection section. All ladders passed the Non-destructive Testing Phase of the testing process. The "defects" were discussed and reviewed with Alco-Lite Ladder Co. through phone calls, emails (including pictures), and Art spoke with Alco-Lite Ladder representatives at the FDIC. Alco-Lite Ladder advises that the 16' Roof Ladder on 190 is ok to remain in service. It is their recommendation that the 16' Extension Ladder on 190, and the 24' Extension Ladder on 172 should be replaced. As a result, price

quotes have been solicited for the replacement of the 16' and 24' Extension Ladders in question. In addition, there are "Rung Wear Sleeves" that can be installed on all Pumper Truck Extension Ladders that will prevent the wear created by the nesting of the Roof Ladders and the Extension Ladders rubbing against each other.

The price quotes received for the Alco-Lite 16' and 24' Extension Ladders, and 40 Rung Wear Sleeves, FOB Oakhurst FD, are:

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| TASC Fire Apparatus | \$1,475.00 |
| Absolute Fire Protection Co. | \$1,228.00 |
| N. J. Fire Equipment Co. | \$1,478.00 |
| Continental Fire & Safety | \$1,086.00 |

Williams motioned to purchase these ladders from Continental Fire & Safety for the quoted price of \$1,086.00. Palmisano seconded. Questions? None. Roll call vote of Reu, Hiers, Nelson, Williams and Palmisano was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Nelson - In reference to the UL Testing of the Ladder Truck, all repairs have been made and we are communicating with UL to get their final Certification.

Reu - NJAW called; Linda Stromoski, Director of Customer Relations, apologized for us not having received a response to date. (Wonder if she heard from NJBPU?) She is following through and will be preparing a response to us.

Palmisano - All arrangements are made for Firehouse EXPO in Baltimore the week of July 20. 12 members will be going at various times during the week, all returning home on Saturday.

Nelson - A new Certificate of Insurance has been obtained for the FD for the Festival, as a result of the date change. The Festival is August 12 - 16, a week later than usual.

Hiers - Have the FD and FAS Officers sent another copy of their Qualified Membership lists to the Twp Clerk for the Township Incentive Program? The Clerk's Office called again last week saying they have not received it.

Reu - Presented vouchers for payment totaling \$1,849.75. Reu motioned to pay. Hiers seconded. Questions? None. Roll call vote of Reu, Hiers, Nelson, Williams and Palmisano was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Reu also presented a voucher to transfer \$30,000.00 to the payroll account. Reu motioned to approve. Palmisano seconded. Questions? None. Roll call vote of Reu, Hiers, Nelson, Williams and Palmisano was unanimous in favor of the motion.

OFD Chief Donohue reported that the FD attended and provided standby crews at the Township fireworks and at the West Long Branch fireworks. He thanked all who helped.

OFAS Lt. Willms reported that the Squad had an ambulance at the Township fireworks.

Fire Marshal Smith reported that the fireworks went off ok. He noted a report in the news that four people were killed elsewhere handling a fireworks show. It show the importance of having the fenced off area that he requires for safety. The show was good!

Deputy Fire Marshal Pujat noted that a second OPTICOM emitter has failed. Both have been sent for repair.

M/R Tech Fiorentino reported that he has completed a diamod plate cover over the generator on 138. He will be start on removing the stone ballast from the roof at Station No. 2 on Tuesday, next week.

The Work Session adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur S. Schenck, Jr.
Fire District Administrator

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