

Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire District No. 1
Township of Haddon

May 28, 2015

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, Township of Haddon, held their regular monthly meeting on the above date, in the meeting room of the Westmont Fire Company No.1, 120 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ. Chairman Voigtsberger called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

Commissioner Henry E. Voigtsberger called for a salute to the Flag of the United States.

Franklin P. Jackson 4th read the confirmation of the Sunshine Law, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 which requires that adequate notice of this meeting be provided. This has been done through Public Notice in the Retrospect newspaper and by posting on a bulletin board in the Haddon Township Municipal building.

Members answering roll call were Messers: Henry Voigtsberger Jr., Franklin P. Jackson 5th, William Tessing III, William Tessing IV and Franklin P. Jackson 4th.

Guests for the meeting were Chief John Medes, Capt John Young.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, following a motion by Commissioner Henry E. Voigtsberger and seconded by Commissioner Franklin P. Jackson 5th.

Committee Reports

Pagers: Chief Medes reported that all was good.

Radios: Chief Medes reported that all was good at this time.

Apparatus: Commissioner Jackson 4th reported that ongoing maintenance being performed by Capt Young and Captain Devitt.

Fire School: Chief Medes reported that no one was in school at this time.

Turn-out Gear: Chief Medes reported that 6 people will be assigned to a committee for Turn-out gear and the names will be announced at a later date. He also stated that some gear will be removed out of the lockers of those who do not respond to fire calls.

Equipment: Chief Medes stated that there was no report at this time.

Insurance: Commissioner Jackson 5th reported that a few changes were made to 2 policies. Everything else is in place.

Liaison to Township: Chief Medes received a letter from the township thanking the fire company for receiving the FEMA Grant.

Communications:

A letter from Captain Young requesting days off was received and approved.

Benefit of the Fire District:

Chairman Henry E Voigtsberger received a phone call from Congressman Donald Norcross notifying him that the Board was to receive the grant of \$325,000.00. Chairman Voigtsberger also thanked the people who helped him write the grant.

New Business

Chairman Voigtsberger read Resolution #16 that states that the award of an AFG grant for firefighter Personal Protective Equipment in the sum of \$325,905.00 which consists of 38 SCBA at \$6,200.00 each, and 41 sets of turnout gear at \$2,600.00 each. The grant calls for a matching cost to the Fire District of approximately \$17,000.00. The resolution was introduced by Commissioner Henry E. Voigtsberger and Commissioner William G. Tessing III. A copy of the resolution is attached hereto.

Resolution #17 was read by Commissioner Franklin P. Jackson 4th stating that the Board of Fire Commissioners have received the annual report of Audit and have specifically reviewed the section entitled "Schedule of Findings and Recommendations" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 49A:5A-17. A copy is attached hereto.

A motion by Commissioner Voigtsberger and seconded by Commissioner Tessing III to purchase new brackets for Air Packs at approximately \$15,000.00 was voted on and approved. A motion by Commissioner Voigtsberger and seconded by Commissioner Tessing III to purchase spare masks for each individual at a cost of approximately \$15,000.00 was voted on and approved.

Treasurers' Report: Commissioner Tessing III reported that the money market account at \$492,943.00, the operating checking account at \$114,771.25 and the payroll checking account at \$130,313.19.

Bills: Were ordered paid following by a motion by Commissioner Henry Voigtsberger and seconded by Commissioner William G. Tessing III. The motion was voted on and approved.

Chairman Voigtsberger stated that the next regular meeting is to be held on June 25, 2015 at 8 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM following a motion by Commissioner Henry E. Voigtsberger, seconded by Commissioner William G. Tessing IV. The motion was voted on and approved.

Attested:

Franklin P. Jackson 4th
Secretary