

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

The Special Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Calvo at 8:50 PM.

Attorney Braslow stated that all requirements of the Open Public Meeting Laws have been met. Pursuant to the Public Meeting Act of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting has been given by advertising in The Coaster and the Two River Times, and by posting on the bulletin board in the Tinton Falls Borough Hall, and placed on file with the Borough Clerk 48 hours prior to this meeting.

ROLL CALL- Bowles-present, Calvo-present, Costa-present, Hawkins-present, Kingston-present, Attorney Braslow-present.

Commissioner Calvo passed out copies of Tinton Falls Fire District #1 Operating and Administrative Procedures which were updated with comments and changes. He asked everyone to go over and make needed corrections by the next meeting. Stated that page numbers will be fixed, things that are highlighted in yellow are changes, and things that are in red are being deleted.

Commissioner Kingston stated he wanted to change "district specific" procedures. Have the other district be allowed to ride on our apparatus since sometimes they are here using the workout equipment. This needs to be put into the Procedure Manual.

BUDGET- Commissioner Calvo stated that we have approximately \$175,000.00 left in 2017 budget, not included are the normal expenses through the rest of the year. \$17,000.00 left in Salaries and Wages, \$5,000.00 left in Administrative, \$20,000.00 left in Maintenance and Repairs, \$5,000.00 left in Office Supplies, \$7,000.00 left in Training, \$2,000.00 left in Fire Service Grant, and \$53,000.00 left in Non Bondable Assets.

Commissioner Costa spoke about purchasing a new Fire Truck with cash and if that would require us to still conform to the DCA's new requirements. Said we can't spend money on capital improvements in the same year that it gets approved. Attorney Braslow explained that all requirements would still need to be met. Commissioner Costa will bring a copy of the agreement between the Borough and the Solar farm to the next meeting.

Commissioner Calvo stated that we will receive an additional \$27,000.00 in the 2018 budget without any tax increases due to the additional ratables that came online in 2017. He stated for upcoming expenses we will be needing radios and gear. 2-66 and 3-66 have brand new radios. We will need portable radios which are approximately \$6,000.00 each from Motorola. We will put together some more quotes on portable radios.

Commissioner Kingston stated that \$15,000.00 needs to be put in the budget for gear. Cost to outfit one firefighter from head to toe is \$2,500.00 for jacket and pants, \$300.00 for boots, \$300.00 for helmet, and \$200.00 for gemtor harness. All prices are approximate. Commissioner Kingston also spoke of replacing the leaf springs on 2-75. Commissioner Costa thinks it should be done this year. If maintenance is needed don't wait.

Commissioner Costa stated that the status of our Audit is almost done and he will ask the accountant to attend the next District Meeting in November to finalize the 2018 budget.

ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Costa and seconded by Commissioner Hawkins. Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 PM.