

TINTON FALLS FIRE DISTRICT #1

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 19, 2022

CALL TO ORDER- The Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Costa at 7:30 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENT- Mr. Braslow advised the Board that all requirements of the Open Public Meeting Laws had been met. Pursuant to the Public Meeting Act of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting had been met by advertising in The Coaster and The Asbury Park Press, 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- Chervinsky-present Costa-present Furman – phone
Harris-absent Matthews-present Attny Braslow- phone

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES- Motion to approve the previous Workshop Meeting Minutes and Regular Meeting Minutes from March 17, 2022, was made on a motion by Commissioner Furman, seconded by Commissioner Chervinsky, all those present at that meeting were in favor.

Motion to approve the previous Workshop Meeting Minutes and Regular Meeting Minutes from April 21, 2022, was made on a motion by Commissioner Furman, seconded by Commissioner Chervinsky, all those present at that meeting were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT- A report has been submitted by Treasurer Howie Chervinsky. Bills for the month were \$ 46,603.39 which includes:

AmTrust NA	Adjustment to Worker's Comp Insur	\$ 473.00
Borough of Tinton Falls	Fuel charges for District	\$ 2,736.37
Defender Emergency Prodts	Work on 36-2-90, 36-3-98, 36-2-74	\$ 10,234.47
Draeger	Docking station calibration	\$ 169.86
Edwards Tire Co.	Emergency Tire Repair 36-2-85	\$ 1,049.09
Gannett NJ	Legal notice in newspaper	\$ 9.24
Grainger	Ceiling tiles	\$ 341.78
JCPL	Electric bill	\$ 558.03
Meridian Occupational Health	New firefighter physical	\$ 210.00
NJ Natural Gas	Natural Gas Bills	\$ 337.98
NJ American Water	Hydrant rental	\$18,621.42
NJ American Water	Water bills (2)	\$ 347.20
Staples	Shipping for Draeger dock station	\$ 50.01
Public Safety Store	Magnetic Mics for vehicles	\$ 276.00
	In line pressure gauges	\$ 1,184.94
Wayside Fire Co.	Misc. reimbursable expenses from July 2021 to April 2022	\$ 6,701.77

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$ 1,601,651.00

INTEREST EARNED: \$ 74.50

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$ 633,241.82

INTEREST EARNED: \$ 28.63

PAYROLL ACCOUNT AS OF 04/31/2022: 8,602.75

Motion to pay the bills was made by Commissioner Matthews and seconded by Commissioner Furman. All in favor.

CHIEF'S REPORT- Reviewed at Workshop Meeting. The request for the LED lights on 36-2-90 is a new project. Another quote will need to be obtained.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT – no report

OLD BUSINESS

Cleaning contract – Two quotes were received for cleaning of the District building. Peb's Floors was the lowest bid. Motion made by Commissioner Chervinsky, seconded by Commissioner Matthews to approve the bid from Peb's Floors. All in favor.

Fit test machine – Discussion held on fit test machine. Testing dates could be offset to meet the needs of all the firefighters. Commissioner Furman opened the floor for discussion. It was suggested that 1) primary access to each fire company for a three-month period 2) POC will be responsible for equipment and equipment location 3) share the cost of the upkeep of the machine between the Districts.

Commissioner Furman will reach out to Fire District #2 with the request.

Training – Motion made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Chervinsky to approve the training bid from Superior Fire & Emergency Response Training for company-level training. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS -

Equipment – Discussion held on requested TL-9 stabilizers used for rescue equipment. They are \$750/each and two are requested. It is an item provided by a sole source supplier. Motion made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Chervinsky to purchase two TL-9 stabilizers. All in favor.

Request was made to purchase high rise equipment to complete packs on District apparatus. Motion made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Furman to purchase the appliances for the high-rise packs. All in favor.

Bids - President Costa met with the President of Defender Emergency Products to review the apparatus maintenance contract that expires in July. It may be possible that District #2 may be interested in the same contract. Mr. Braslow will present the information to District #2 at their meeting.

Motion made for a resolution to put the vehicle maintenance contract out to bid made by Commissioner Chervinsky, seconded by Commissioner Furman, all in favor.

Commissioner Furman asked about the status of the Junior Firefighter equipment held at District #1. District #2 would be interested in obtaining the equipment to support their Junior Firefighter program. Discussion on same. Motion made by Commissioner Furman, seconded by Commissioner Matthews to allow District #2 to obtain the Junior Firefighter equipment. All in favor.

Membership - President Costa presented a revised membership application utilized by both Tinton Falls' Fire Districts. There were minor revisions, and the notary line was removed. Mr. Braslow recommended that a form of official identification be presented with the application to verify credentials. Motion made by Commissioner Chervinsky to adopt the new joint application for membership, seconded by Commissioner Matthews, all in favor.

President Costa discussed a meeting he had with the Line Officers in reference to updating some of the District SOGs which prompted the discussion on the members who have not completed their annual training. The Chief wants to clarify his position in refusing a member to attend a call who has not met the training requirements. Training is documented but members need to attend training to meet the District policy. Discussion was held on PEOSH requirements for training. Lengthy discussion followed on training requirements, which are required by the State, and which are required by the fire company. Discussion on why members are not attending training and their dedication to the fire companies.

The Fire Chief along with two Commissioners will try to meet with the personnel who have not completed their training and discuss their membership status.

Motion was made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Furman to place on 6 month's probation the members who have not completed their annual training. All in favor.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS- Letter received from Edwards Tire Company announcing their retirement and closing of the business.

The Tinton Falls fuel pump personnel list has been updated.

Clean Air Systems is coming to the District on June 15 for preventative maintenance.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION- Andrew Calvo brought up about Verizon Wireless coming off State bid and moving to NASPO cooperative purchasing. Discussion was held on same, and Mr. Braslow will review the details.

Kurt Gibson asked about the surplus AEDs the District has in storage. Tinton Falls South EMS utilizes the same type and he asked if the District would sign them over to EMS. Motion made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Furman to approve the movement of surplus AEDs to Tinton Falls EMS South. Mr. Braslow will draw up a resolution and hold harmless agreement.

ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Matthews and seconded by Commissioner Furman. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.