

TINTON FALLS FIRE DISTRICT #1

WORKSHOP MEETING

JANUARY 19, 2023

CALL TO ORDER- The Workshop Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Harris at 7:00 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENT- Attorney Braslow advised the Board that all requirements of the Open 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.

FLAG SALUTE

President Harris thanked everyone who attended the recognition of Donald Reevy, Sr.'s 75 Years of Service to Pine Brook Fire Company. He was recognized by the Tinton Falls Mayor and Council on January 17, 2023.

ROLL CALL- Estelle - present Furman - present Harris - present

Mack - present Matthews - absent Attorney Braslow-phone

CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Kyle Williams reviewed his monthly report. There were 61 total incidents in December 2022. Total Incidents YTD 2022 is 651. All NFIRS have been submitted. Chief Williams also provided a breakdown of the 2022 responses by zone, incident count and average response time.

Mandatory training has been scheduled. Looking at training vendors for training for remainder of year. Hoping to schedule at RIT class with Station 1.

The Chief inquired about a 1-3-5 year plan with the new Commissioners. This would include building upgrades and apparatus replacement.

RWJ Project has been approved as per the Municipal Clerk. \$375,000 will be given to the Borough for fire services for Phase 1. This money cannot be used in the current budget. It can only be used when money is placed in the budget.

Commissioner Harris and Matthews reviewed plans in reference to per diem firefighters. Brick Township is a daytime program, while Neptune is a nighttime program. They are working on another meeting with the administrator of the program in Brick.

President Harris agrees that recruitment is an issue but questions if District 1 would foot the bill for responses to the other district. Chief mentioned multiple alerts and worries about response.

An incentive plan may work. Need to put together a plan but take it step by step. Could survey the membership about availability and interest in some type of program. Commissioner Estelle feels a cost analysis should be done.

Discussion on full-time Borough employees becoming fire company members. The District policy allows it. Commissioner Mack spoke with DPW Director who said he would allow members to go to calls if it is not abused. It was agreed that taxpayers are expected to receive service.

ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn the Workshop Meeting was made by Commissioner Furman and seconded by Commissioner Mack. All present in favor. Workshop Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.