

TINTON FALLS FIRE DISTRICT #1

WORKSHOP MEETING

DECEMBER 13, 2023

CALL TO ORDER- The Workshop Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by Vice President Matthews 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.

ROLL CALL- Costa – present Estelle - present Furman - present

Mack - present Matthews - present Attorney Braslow – present (phone)

CHIEF’S REPORT – Chief Williams reviewed his report. There were 58 total incidents in November 2023. Total Incidents YTD 2023 is 622. All NFIRS have been submitted.

Equipment list and training will be completed for 2024 to fit within the approved budget.

All district training was inputted in ERS.

The Firefighter Participation Incentive list was submitted to the Board. The Chief would like to discuss possible amendments to the policy with the Board.

A new member, Nicholas Bianchi, applied for membership. His medical is complete, and fingerprinting is scheduled.

Commissioner Estelle noticed a training class being held at the District building. This training was advertised before being approved by the Board. The cost is \$2,000 and it is being conducted by Central Jersey and Superior. Chief Williams apologized. He did not know the class was being advertised so soon.

The Chief’s vehicle MOU with the County is being worked on. Mr. Braslow will be contacting the Monmouth County Fire Marshal to verify liability issues and their insurance coverage of vehicle.

There is a change coming to Tinton Falls EMS. County sheriff is providing EMS service to Oceanport/Eatontown/Tinton Falls and housing personnel and equipment at the fire station located in the Charles Wood section of the “old” Fort Monmouth. This is scheduled to begin on January 1, 2024.

Commissioner Costa, after reading the NJAFD meeting minutes, requested each member of the district to read the District’s sexual harassment policy and sign the verification of understanding. It was discussed to hold a course annually at the same time as annual training to meet this requirement.

Commissioner Mack followed up with Borough officials about the property lease. A new lease agreement will need to be drawn up between the Borough and District. The Borough will not release the land to the District.

The Treasurer’s Report was read by Commissioner Estelle.

Chief Williams noted that the District will need fire helmets. The fire company has gotten some loaners to try out what type of helmet they might like to acquire. Discussion held on new SCBAs within the next three years. The SCBAs should be the same across both Districts in Tinton Falls.

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