

The seven hundred tenth meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #2, Gloucester Township was held in the Chews Landing Fire Station on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 7:30 PM. The meeting was opened with the flag salute.

Commissioners present were: Donahue, Evans, Ritz, Genzel.
Solicitor Carlamere was present.

Motion by N. Ritz seconded by R. Evans to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.
Roll call vote: Donahue-Abstain; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Chief's Report:

Talking to EMS about their tendency to "give orders" to the fire department units when they arrive at scenes first.

Pine Hill apartment fire is being reviewed and eventually will be discussed by all companies involved.

Next Chief's meeting is May 12th.

Relief meeting next week.

The training schedule is posted through July.

G. Genzel stated that responses are being scratched or re-toned and delayed and asked the Chief why and what he plans to do about it.

- the Chief stated that there is a lack of manpower for calls and it seems that the communications center is acting quickly on the time limit on responses before re-toning. He said that some recruitment opportunities are being explored.

Administrator's Report:

Reviewed written report. (Attached)

Solicitor's Report:

No report.

Group Report: "A" Treasurer; Building Maintenance; Park

OT breakdown needs to be corrected by Kathy.

Hose bib on office side of the building is dripping.

Downspouts on the office side are not flowing properly.

A thank you letter to be sent to Junior at Laurel Lawnmower for helping move the carport.

The electric outlets in the park were moved last fall.

Group Report: "C" Apparatus, Equipment, Insurance, and Hydrants

Duty car had PM, AC worked on, vent shades installed, sway bars done.

E821 headlights replaced.

Working on plans for new FM's truck.

Viewed UL webinar on ladder testing.

Miscellaneous minor repairs done.

Group Report: "B" Fire Prevention, EMS, Radios, and Uniforms

Fire Prevention report for April was reviewed.

K. Donahue asked about use of the fire extinguisher simulator. A program is being worked on as time permits.

Group Report: "D" Personnel; Training; Office

The Board will restore Commissioner Ritz department responsibilities next month.

Old Business:

Steve Centrone – Wifi project started. Wires are being stretched. He thanked G. Genzel for donation of the wire. The project should be completed in about a week.

Banquet hall rentals are starting back up this weekend. Thanked Marianne Robb for handling a lot of the administrative work.

G. Genzel thanked S. Centrone and the others members helping with the projects.

New Business:

Motion by K. Donahue seconded by N. Ritz to pay the bills of the evening.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Motion by K. Donahue seconded by R. Evans to accept the receipts.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Resolution by R. Evans seconded by N. Ritz to remove items from inventory, all 10+ year old gear per Administrator's list.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Resolution by R. Evans seconded by K. Donahue to purchase Paratech struts in the amount of \$13,858.60.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Resolution by R. Evans seconded by K. Donahue to purchase a 4 WD utility vehicle not to exceed \$38,000.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Abstain; Genzel-Yes.

Resolution by R. Evans seconded by N. Ritz to authorize the changes previously discussed regarding the group life policy.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Motion by R. Evans seconded by K. Donahue to confirm leases signed with the fire company for 2015 and 2016 in the amount of \$68,250 per year.

Motion amended to have a drawing of the rented area included as part of the lease.

Roll call vote: Donahue-Yes; Evans-Yes; Reichert-Absent; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Good of the District / Public:

N. Ritz stated that he abstained from the vote on the utility vehicle because it is intended to purchase a pickup truck and he believes that an SUV is safer.

R. Evans thanked all members who responded to the haz mat call at the Aquarium Center for doing a great job.

Motion by G. Genzel seconded by N. Ritz to go into closed session to discuss personnel.
Motion carried at 8:48 PM.

Closed session adjourned at 9:05 PM. (Closed session review by Administrator Robb)
Discussed contract status – no decision.
Authorized Administrator to forward Medic 46 complaint to GT Police.

This concluded the business of the evening. A motion to adjourn was made by N. Ritz seconded by R. Evans and carried. To reconvene for a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at 7:30 PM. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM.

Read and Approved:

Chairman:

Clerk: