

The six hundred ninety-first meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #2, Gloucester Township was held in the Chews Landing Fire Station on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 7:30 PM. The meeting was opened with the flag salute.

Commissioners present were: Reichert, Ritz, Genzel.
Solicitor Carlamere was present.

Motion by N. Ritz seconded by J. Reichert to accept the minutes of the previous meetings as distributed.

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

Chief's Report:

Given by J. Gant

Chief asked if the career staff is allowed to respond to all haz-mat calls now. The Board stated that at least until the end of the year the career staff can respond to all haz-mat calls 24/7.

We will be running as the RIT company on all 85 boxes.

81/83 incidentals were discussed with 83 Chief Smith regarding delayed responses. We will now be dispatched on the 2nd tone for 83 calls. Chief will try to talk to 81 as soon as possible.

This needed to be addressed due to 82 being dispatched sometimes 20-25 minutes into calls that are being scratched by 81/83. We are having to answer questions about why it took the fire department so long to respond.

Fire Prevention open house went well.

G. Genzel asks that the chief arrange a meeting with all township chiefs to discuss their position on the operation of the haz-mat team.

A LOSAP representative will be at the fire company meeting on October 13.

Administrator's Report:

Given by G. Genzel

G. Karas has stated that the LOSAP paperwork is overwhelming.

The Board will advertise for the Administrator position in about 2 weeks.

Paychex has not been very user friendly and not much of an advantage considering the additional costs involved.

BMOC – G. Genzel talked about the installation of curbing along the office side of the building up against the property next door due to water runoff. Funds could possibly be left at the end of the year. Solicitor Carlamere said any leftover funds go to fund balance.

Cameras – G. Genzel said that cameras are to be installed due to security and horseplay.

A letter was received from the IAFF regarding the use of cameras in the workplace. Solicitor Carlamere said he notified President Kemery of management rights in regard to cameras.

Solicitor Carlamere said that Mr. Kemery somewhat agreed but access to the camera feeds needs to be determined as far as what individuals will be allowed to view. The Board said that this will be handled.

Solicitor Carlamere spoke with labor council about Carol Moore's lawsuit. Filings and pleadings are being worked on. Still working on talking to insurance to check on coverage for lawsuits.

Group Report: "A" Treasurer; Building Maintenance; Park
No report.

Group Report: "B" Fire Prevention; EMS
Fire Prevention report for September was reviewed.
Open house had a huge crowd.
Thank you letters to be sent to the Chief & Fire Company members, and Fire Official Young & career staff for work done on the open house.

Group Report: "C" Apparatus and Equipment
No report.

Group Report: "D" Insurance; Hydrants; Uniforms; Radios
No report.

Group Report: "E" Personnel; Training; Office
No report.

Old Business:
No report.

New Business:
Motion by N. Ritz seconded by J. Reichert to pay bills.
Roll call vote: Donahue-Absent; Evans-Absent; Reichert-Yes; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Motion by G. Genzel seconded by J. Reichert to accept receipts.
Roll call vote: Donahue-Absent; Evans-Absent; Reichert-Yes; Ritz-Yes; Genzel-Yes.

Good of the District/Public:
No comments.

This concluded the business of the evening. A motion to adjourn was made by J. Reichert seconded by N. Ritz and carried. To reconvene for a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 7:30 PM. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Read and Approved: Chairman:

Clerk: