

Minutes Of The District No. 4, Board Meeting Of May 28th, 2013

The May 28th, 2013 meeting was opened by President, Dwayne Jensen, commissioners in attendance were, Hughes, Roman, Pawol, and Klose, was absent. the accountants and attorney were not present or required to attend this meeting, the pledge of allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence.

Minutes of the previous meeting:

Mr. Pawol, read the minutes of the previous meeting, Mr. Roman, made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Mr. Hughes, all were in favor.

Treasures Report:

Mr. Hughes, read the treasures report, Mr. Roman, made a motion to accept the report as read and to pay all bills, seconded by Mr. Pawol, all were in favor.

Buildings & Grounds:

Mr. Hughes, reported that the Inside Air Company has installed the new HVAC unit in the back room lounge. The whole kitchen & floor tiles were steam cleaned by Gerrus Maintenance of Raritan Center, also the hallway tile and grout were done. Mr. Jensen, reported that the kitchen meat slicing machine was serviced and cleaned.

Insurance:

Mr. Pawol, reported that the new worker comp insurance policy will be due in Aug 2013 , and it was reported to them that there are 29 members to be on this years policy.

Hydrants:

No report for the month of May.

Trucks & Equipment:

Mr. Jensen, reported the following on apparatus & equipment:

Truck 4-2-4 getting refurbished at KME, inspection visit to take place on June 4th .

Truck 4-2-5 Leaking Hdro fluid.

Engine 4-1 problem with the overhead lights not working.

Engine 4-2 Problem with a sensor or gauge, during pumping that show the vehicle overheating.

Command 4-3-5 New front brakes & rotors were installed.

Hose testing was completed.

Ground ladder testing was completed.

The SCBA Air Compressor shorted out and needs to be looked at by Air & Gas Tech.

Also Hughes, made a motion to have a PM maint. contract with them for a cost of

\$ 1,090.49 seconded by Mr. Roman, all were in favor.

Mr. Jensen, reported that the new air bags are in and were placed in the rescue truck.

There is a need to purchase (3) new 1500 model radio's, (1) new 2500 model radio, (3) new mikes, (3) new pager chargers, Mr. Hughes, made a motion to purchase theses items, seconded by Pawol, all were in favor.

Communications:

_____The board received a letter from the Middlesex County Board of Elections about the upcoming elections to be held at the fire house on Tuesday June 4th, 2013. They would like the building opened at 5:00 AM for the polling workers to set up.

Fire Company: Nothing to report.

Old Business : Nothing to report.

New Business:

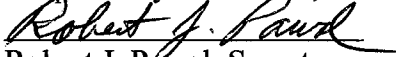
_____The Board of Commissioners is looking to purchase a used Sealand storage container, with a new paint job, 20'X8'X8' to store equipment in at a cost not to exceed \$ 2,500.00 motion by Mr. Hughes to purchase the unit, seconded by Mr. Roman, all were in favor.

Fire Officials report: See attached report.

Fire Chief : See attached report.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn, Jensen, seconded by Hughes, all were in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert J. Pawol, Secretary

Fire District #4, Keasbey



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FIRE OFFICIALS REPORT MAY 2013 Fire District No.4

The Bureau investigated a complaint at 388 New Brunswick Ave Apt.2 after the fire department responded to a report of an gas odor in side of the apartment. After an investigation it was determined that the hardwired smoke alarms that were inside of the apartment were not operating on the buildings electric and had missing backup batteries.

The landlord was cited and ordered to repair or replace the smoke/co detectors in the 2nd floor apartment. The landlord had his licensed electrician on location with in 1 hour and replaced all of the detectors.

The Bureau also notified the Woodbridge Township Housing Bureau due to the building being a two family house. I could not gain access to the apartment on the first floor to determine the status of the alarms inside of that apartment. The Township Housing inspector arrived later that afternoon and followed up on the 1st floor apartment and resident other housing complaints.

The Dana Bio-Diesel Plant is still before the Woodbridge Township Technical Review Committee. As of this writing I have not heard back from the applicants Engineer regarding the water system.

I will keep the Board advised as I receive any information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank DellaPietro III
Fire Official
Fire Districts No.4&8

PROTECTION FIRE COMPANY NO. 1

KEASBEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY CHIEFS REPORT

Date: 28 MAY 2013

Meeting: Fire Dept. Commissioners

Number of alarms : 20 ALARMS

138 ALARMS TO DATE

Equipment out of service: 424, 2 AIRPACKS AT MES FOR

REPAIR. (WILL CALL MES TO GET THEM RETURNED)

Training: ON 2 MAY THE FORDS F.D. ATTENDED OUR REGULAR

DRILL. SEVERAL OF THEIR MEMBERS AND EXPLORERS

ATTENDED. THEY WENT THROUGH OUR OBSTACLE COURSE.

D.C. KOURICIL WENT OVER RAISING PORTABLE LADDERS

APPROX 10 MEMBERS AND 8 EXPLORERS ATTENDED.

ON 23 MAY AT OUR TRAINING DRILL WENT OVER THE

USE OF THE MAXIFORCE AIRBAGS. MEMBERS GOT

TO USE THEM IN RAISING A VEHICLE.

Explorer Training : CONTINUE TO TRAIN WITH FIRE DEPT.

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KEASBEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY CHIEFS REPORT

Fire Officials Report: ATTACHED

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Report: On 26 MARCH, AT THE BOARD meeting I ASKED THAT THE BOARD CONSIDER BUYING THE BOSTON LEATHER RADIO STRAPS AND THE UNIVERSAL RADIO HOLDER SO THE MEMBERS COULD WEAR THEIR PORTABLE RADIO UNDER THEIR GEAR WHILE THEY ARE OPERATING. THIS ALLOWS THEM TO PROTECT THEIR RADIOS IN THE EVENT OF A ROLLOVER OR FLASHOVER SO THEY DON'T LOSE USE OF THEIR LIFELINE. THE COST OF THE LEATHER STRAP IS \$ 28.99 EA AND \$24.99 EACH FOR THE UNIVERSAL RADIO HOLDER. I WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO CONSIDER PURCHASING AT LEAST 10 UNITS.

2- Discussed with Commissioner Jensen on purchasing more PAGER CHARGERS AND PORTABLE RADIO MIC'S.

3- AT THE UPCOMING Fire Co. meeting on 10 June we will have 1 New member joining as well as 1 Explorer. I would like to know IF we have Gear, Helmets For these 2 prospective members.

4- As mentioned in the TRAINING REPORT, The 8 New PARATECH MAXIFORCE AIRBAGS ARE NOW IN SERVICE IN Rescde 4.

Report(con't): 5) ON 3 MAY, ALL OUR HOSE WAS TESTED BY FAIL SAFE. 2 LENGTHS OF 1 3/4" HOSE FAILED AS WELL AS A 25' PONY HOSE OFF ENG. 4-1 MYSELF, FF/EMT BATISTA, FF DILLON JENSEN, FF VINCENT BIANCHI AND FF BARRY ASSISTED. THE HOSE FROM OUR STOCK IN THE SHED WAS ALSO TESTED.

6) ON 18 MAY ALL OUR GROUND LADDERS WERE TESTED. NONE FAILED HOWEVER THERE ARE SOME MAINTENANCE ISSUES THAT HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED. I ORDERED FROM ALCO-LITE (MANUFACTURER OF OUR LADDERS) DANGER / WARNING LABELS THAT WERE MISSING. THEY WILL BE SENDING THEM TO ME AT NO COST. A WORK DETAIL WILL BE SCHEDULED TO CLEAN, LUBRICATE AND PLACE THE WARNING STICKERS ON AS SOON AS I RECEIVE THE STICKERS.

7) ON FRIDAY 17 MAY BOTH ENG. 41 + 42 WERE TAKEN TO HOPELAWN STATION 8 FOR PUMP TESTING BY FAIL SAFE. ENG. 4-1 HAD A STICKY MAIN DRAIN LEVER AND A STICKING PUMP DRAIN LEVER. THOSE NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. ENG. 4-2 WAS STARTING TO OVERHEAT AND THE ALARM WAS GOING OFF IN THE CAB. THE ENGINE WAS PROMPTLY SHUT DOWN. ACCORDING TO THE EMPLOYEE FROM FAIL SAFE THE TEMP GAUGE IN THE CAB WAS READING 280° AND THE TEMP GAUGE AT THE PUMP PANEL WAS READING 180°. THE PUMP TEST WAS CANCELED AND COMM. JENSEN WAS NOTIFIED. CAPT STEVE STARBUCK WAS PRESENT FOR 5 HRS FROM 0800-1300.

Report(con't): 8) I Request copies of the Pump Test Results and the Hose Test Results for my records.

9) It has been reported that the Air Filling compressor had been smoking when it was started. I do not know if it is still operational. I would request the Board have someone look into it and we need to have it serviced and the Air Quality tested.

10) 2 pair of Bunker pants will be scheduled to be sent out for repair. FF. T. BARRY IV HAS two small tears in the outer shell of the upper right thigh. This occurred during a structure fire in Dist. 8 on 17 May. FF. James Naylor needs the cuffs repaired on the bottom of both pant legs.

11) On Friday 17 May the Fire Dept. responded to a reported structure fire at 18 Erin Ave in Hopewell, Dist. 8. All members operated with professionalism. The fire started in an attached garage and quickly spread throughout. The fire was caused by the homeowner smoking in the garage.

12) During the fire as reported above, Iselin Dist. 9 was assigned to cover our station. At sometime during the standby Iselin Dist. 9 had a call for a gas leak in their town. They left the standby in our station and responded to their call without any permission from myself or the Woodbridge Township Mutual Aid Coordinators. An investigation into why they abandoned the standby is being investigated.

Report(con't): 13) I've been contacted by Vickers consulting about the grant. They are putting together the application for a 2013 AFG grant. I needed to complete a grant startup form so Vickers can get a user name and password. They also needed the Board's bank account numbers and routing numbers. This info was forwarded to them as well as the grant startup form.

14) On Monday 3 June to Tuesday 4 June, myself and Commissioner Jensen will be going to Roanoke, VA to do the final inspection on the truck.

15) Lieut. Nagy reports all apparatus is O.K. All apparatus needs to be scheduled for preventative maintenance. Also Lieut Nagy needs to purchase more "DEF" fluid for Rescue 4. Also it has been reported that the air hoists don't work in Rescue 4, however FF Nowakowski stated that the switch for the air hoists was off and they are now operational. (See attached apparatus report).

16) I strongly recommend to the Board that you order F.F. James Nguyen a new pair of bunker pants. The current pair do not fit properly and the pant cuffs continually wear down due to him walking on them. Also I would like permission to order 2 sets of short suspenders from SAFET Fire Equip.

THIS REPORT SUBMITTED
28 MAY 2013
Shannon T. Barry III
CHIEF OF DEPT.