

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1**

May 13, 2013

The Meeting was called to order by Vincent Vinci, President, at 8:05PM.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

Steven Castellano Present
James Lauro Present
E. Paul Percussi Present
Vincent Vinci Present
James Vena Present

And

Allen E. Falk (Board Attorney) Present

The April 2013 Board Meeting Minutes were read. A Motion was made by Steven Castellano to accept the Minutes, seconded by James Vena. All were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT (James Vena)

The total receipts for the month of April 2013 were\$13,202.80
The total disbursements for the month of April 2013 were.....\$21,083.13
The total cash on hand as of April 30, 2013 was.\$334,185.87

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Steven Castellano. All were in favor.

FIRE PREVENTION (Steven Castellano)

For the Month of April 2013:

Fire Certificate of Occupancy Inspections.....29
Business Establishment Inspections..... 18
Business Establishments and Residential Permits.....1
Violations.....1

A Motion was made by Paul Percussi to accept the Report, seconded by James Lauro. All were in favor

INSURANCE (Steven Castellano)

May 9th, 2013 Paul Percussi received in the mail paperwork from Lincoln Financial Group for his new whole life insurance policy.

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Report, seconded by James Vena. All were in favor.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: (James Lauro)

1. Some curb and step areas will be painted yellow.
2. The table on the deck was sanded and painted
3. The areas around the generator and fuel pump was cleaned up.

A Motion was made by Steve Castellano to accept the Report, seconded by James Vena. All were in favor.

JOINT DISTRICT TRAINING GROUNDS (Louis Auriemma)

Repairs are being made to the tower and the office trailer and new siding put on.

A Motion was made by Paul Percussi to accept the Report, seconded by James Vena. All were in favor.

DISTRICT CHIEF'S REPORT (Louis Auriemma)

- 1) We had several meetings with SVI for the new truck in regards to making revisions to customize the truck for our needs.
- 2) The Financial Disclosure Statements were filed on May 7th, 2013.
- 3) The insurance on the 2001 Ford Expedition was canceled.
- 4) The plates for the 2001 Ford were turned into Motor Vehicles.
- 5) The New Holmatro Equipment was installed on 496.
- 6) We received a note from Jon Liss's doctor to return the regular duty.
- 7) We received a note from Don McNab's doctor to return to regular duty.
- 8) We are planning on replacing the roof on the Fuel Shed.

A Motion was made by James Vena to accept the Report, seconded by Steven Castellano. All were in favor.

FIRE COMPANY CHIEF'S REPORT AND ENGINEERS' REPORTS (Gary Bellone)

Chief Bellone reported there were a total of Thirteen (13) Fire Calls, Six (6) Drills, and Two (2) Extra Drill and Three Hundred Fifty Two and .25 (352.25) Man Hours spent for the month of April, 2013.

Truck # 495; Truck # 498; Truck # 500; Truck# 496; Truck # 497; Truck # 505. There are some issues that are being taken care of.

Motion was made by Paul Percussi to accept the Report, seconded by Steven Castellano. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE (Paul Percussi)

- 1) A letter dated April 12, 2013 was sent to Robert Pene of Jersey One Auto Sales, in regards to the 2001 Ford Expedition to remove the car from the Aberdeen Firehouse parking lot by April 12th, 2013.
- 2) We received a letter dated April 17, 2013 from Darryl T. Garvin, Esq. attorney for Robert Pene in response to our letter. They said they would come pick up the car by April 12th if no resolution was met by that time.
- 3) On April 11th, 2013 Robert Pene came and removed the car from the parking lot.
- 4) On April 29, 2013 we received a letter from the Monmouth County Construction Board of Appeals regarding the Notice of Violation for James Dolan from Florham Realty Group notifying us that the appeal was not going to be heard.
- 5) May 7th, 2013 we sent an Order to Pay Penalty and Abate Violations for \$2,000 to Florham Realty Group to be paid in 30 days.
- 6) We received a letter dated May 9th, 2013 from James Dolan's attorneys (Montenegro et al) in response to the appeal.
- 7) We received a letter from the Township of Aberdeen in regards to Aberdeen Township's 2nd Annual Town Wide Aberdeen Day on Saturday, September 21, 2013

Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Report, seconded by Steven Castellano. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Any questions or concerns?

Mr. Pene's attorney spoke in regards to the 2001 Ford Expedition. (1) Mr. Pene wanted to cancel the transaction but he was informed that it would have to be brought up at the next Commissioner's meeting. (2) When Mr. Pene came to pick up the vehicle it was missing 4 quarts of oil. (Commissioner's asked what Mr. Pene wanted.) The attorney said he just wants to return the Ford Expedition.

A Motion was made by Vincent Vinci at 8:20 pm to hold an Executive Meeting, seconded by Steven Castellano. All were in favor.

At 8:20 pm an Executive meeting was called to order by Vincent Vinci.

Roll call was taken:

Steven Castellano Present

James Lauro Present

E. Paul Percussi Present

Vincent Vinci Present

James Vena Present

Allen E. Falk (Board Attorney) Present

Louis Auriemma (District Chief) Present

The Board had a discussion.

Steven Castellano made a motion to offer \$250 with no prejudice and there were no wrong doing by the Board of Commissioners. Vote was taken and all were in favor.

At 8.30 pm the public portion of the Board of Commissioners meeting was reconvened.

Roll call was taken:

Steven Castellano Present
James Lauro Present
E. Paul Percussi Present
Vincent Vinci Present
James Vena Present
Allen E. Falk (Board Attorney) Present

The President, Vincent Vinci, turned the floor over to Attorney Allen Falk. Allen Falk spoke: (1) Once a Bid is accepted and paid for you cannot by law return the money (Public Bidding Act). (2) In regards to the lights and sirens the Board has never sold it with the car unless it went to another emergency responder. It is against the law to have, drive or operate lights and sirens on or off unless you are an emergency responder. (3) The Board members in good faith states that there was no problems with the vehicle when they put the car up for bid. (4) You cannot reimburse the buyer for the car but you can, however, offer the Buyer a payment to release any further claim in these matters. (5) Steven Castellano asked how much the lights and sirens were worth and it was decided upon \$250. At which point, Steven Castellano made a motion to offer \$250.00. Motion was made to offer \$250 with no prejudice and there were no wrong doing by the Board of Commissioners. Vote was taken and all were in favor. An offer was made to Mr. Pene. Mr. Pene refused the offer.

At 8:45pm a motion was made by Steven Castellano to close the meeting and seconded by Paul Percussi.



E. Paul Percussi
Secretary of the Board

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