

Borough of Fair Lawn Fire Department

FIRE BOARD MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2015

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON WEDNESDAY 11/11/2015 AT 8:00PM BY CHIEF WOLTHOUSE AT COMPANY 2.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING WAS CHIEF WOLTHOUSE, ASST. DEPUTY CHIEF RINALDO , BATT. CHIEF PALMIERI

Co.1 – Capt. Goldberg, Lt. Sulcov

Co.2 – Lt. Guerrieri, Lt. Grossi

Co.3 – Capt. Snyder, Lt. Demeraski

Co.4 – Capt. Greco, Lt. Carney, Eng. Tennis

Also in attendance were - Ed Baldofsky Jr., Mayor John Cosgrove, John Lyons, Brianna Jimenez

MINUTES:

On a motion by Lt. Guerrieri, seconded by Capt. Goldberg the minutes of the October Fire Board were approved.

MATERIALS RECEIVED:

Co.1 –none

Co.2 –bag SCBA screws, 75 SCBA bottles

Co.3 –None

Co.4 – None

MATERIALS REQUESTED:

Co.1 –None

Co.2 –None

Co.3 –2 Bullard TIC batteries, 1 mobile radio mic, Traffic cones

Co.4- Hydro ram or rabbit tool, SCBA repair

BATT. CHIEFS REPORT:

- 1-Boro Drills, we had all year to schedule and right now 3 is complete, 4 is scheduled, 1 working on house, I need something from 2.
- 2 – When responding assume your 1st due and gear up, pack up, so when called on there is not a delay and we look organized.
- 3 – I am scheduling a car fire and saw drill for the Dept. at the Academy.

DEP. CHIEFS REPORT:

- 1 –Thank you for attending the Bill Grieder park dedication.
- 2 – Working on setting up training for driving.

ASST. CHIEFS REPORT:

- 1 –No report

CHIEFS REPORT:

- 1 –Thanks for the attendance at the Grieder park dedication.
- 2 – Received a plaque from North Brunswick FD
- 3 – Thank you to the companies who attended the Paramus drill.

FIRE LIAISON REPORT:

- 1 –Nice attendance by the Fire Dept. at the Bill Grieder Park dedication.

FIRE PREVENTION:

- 1 – Report attached

RESCUE SQUAD REPORT:

- 1 –No report

TRAINING COORDINATOR REPORT:

- 1 – Sent a list of firefighters that have ID numbers in to the State to see who is not listed.

COMMITTEES:

Apparatus: On hold

Awards: No report

CAD: No report

Convention: On hold

Fitness: No report

Funeral: No report

COMMITTEES CONT.

Gear & Standards: Waiting on list from Co.3 for gear list.

Honor Guard: Donating rifles to the American Legion.

Insurance: No report

Improvement: No report

Jr. ff's/recruitment: No report

LOSAP: Looking for a blank spread sheets. Liaison.

Ordinance: Tom Carney had a meeting to look into changes and rolls for Chiefs and Fire Clerk.

Radio: Deputy Chief Rinaldo to assume responsibilities.

Reorg/planning: No report

SOG: Meeting schedule soon after Thanksgiving.

Training Center: No report

Uniform: No report

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COMMUNICATIONS:

1 - None

APPLICATIONS & RESIGNATIONS:

1 –On a motion by Capt. Snyder, seconded by Lt. Guerrierri. The resignation of F/F Yakov Tomakh Badge #133 of Co.3 was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

1 – Co.4 going to the Wallington Holiday parade.
2 – Co.4 Borough drill tomorrow night.

NEW BUSNIESS:

1 – None
2 - Chief nominations for 2016 are Department Chief Tim Yuskaitis, Assistant Chief Ralph Rinaldo, Deputy Chief Marc Palmieri, Battalion Chief Jacob Mamo.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Walt Demeraski had some questions in reference to the E-Dispatch.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Lt. Guerrierri, seconded by Capt. Greco, the meeting was adjourned at 20:20

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher J. Hoitsma
Fire Clerk

FAIR LAWN FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

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Following is a summary of some of the Bureau's activities for the year-to-date 2015:

- Inspections of LHU (Life Hazard Use) locations 204 of 273 total
- Violation Notices issued to LHU locations 329

- Inspections of non-LHU locations 286 of 1,392 total
- Violation Notices issued to non-LHU locations 324

- Inspections of 1- and 2-family homes upon sale or lease 369

- Inspections of multi-family dwelling units 780 of 2,066 total

- Issued violations upon non-periodic inspections 79

- Fire Safety Permits issued 113
- Permit inspections conducted 90

- Investigations of complaints of fire hazards 41

- Penalties collected (gross) 13 totaling \$ 4,734
- penalties collected to be dedicated to FD equipment/training 1 totaling \$ 200

- Imminent Hazard Orders issued 19

- Fire Prevention programs presented to the public 21

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IMMINENT DANGERS AFFECTING FIREFIGHTERS AT –

• **Vacant storage facility, 4-19 Banta Place**

One of the two stairways from the second floor takes you to a maze with no way out. As such, the owner is ordered to install a locked doorway at the head of that stairway. FD is also advised that gas meters are located inside that ground-level maze. Entry is gained via main entrance for the Hoveround Company at 4-19 Banta and then proceed through a locked door and ultimately to the gas meters.

• **Clariant Corporation, 0-09 Fair Lawn Ave**

Roofs are missing or otherwise in danger of collapse at Buildings B, D, F, G, and H. All 4 sides of each building are placarded to warn FD to not go on or under the roof. Buildings are vacant. All utilities and fire sprinkler have been discontinued.

• **Storage facility, 406 Wagaraw Road**

Roof is partially collapsed and otherwise likely to collapse. X symbols are posted to warn FD of impending danger. Building is vacant and there are no utilities.

Other extraordinary items called to your attention . . .

Community Choices Day Program, 17-03 Broadway

Our inspection revealed that emergency evacuation drills are not being conducted as required by the Fire Code, and the evacuation drill log was not available for our review at this 3,500 square foot, adult day care facility for persons unable to respond in event of emergency, a Life Hazard use.

Glen Toyota Certified Center, 22-51 Maple Ave

Our inspection revealed the automatic fire sprinkler system is overdue for periodic testing and the fire alarm system is overdue for periodic testing at this 4,000 square foot, 2-story office use.

CVS store #2093, 18-35 River Road

Our inspection revealed the automatic fire sprinkler system is overdue for periodic testing, the fire alarm system is overdue for periodic testing, and the record of inspection, testing, and maintenance of emergency systems was not available for our review at this 13,000 square foot mercantile use, a Life Hazard Use.

Submitted by,
Jay G. Bender
Fire Marshal