

Borough of Fair Lawn Fire Department

FIRE BOARD MINUTES FOR JULY 2016

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON WEDNESDAY 7/13 /2016 AT 8:00PM BY CHIEF YUSKAITIS AT COMPANY 4.

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

Co.1 – Capt. Sulcov, Lt. Hriunk, Eng. Baliman

Co.2 – Lt. Lydon,

Co.3 – Capt. Demeraski, Lt. Osback, Lt. Collins, Eng. Baldofsky Jr.

Co.4 – Capt. Henneke, Lt. Noonan, Lt. Tennis, Eng. R. Healey

Also in attendance were – Also in attendance were –John Lyons, Angelo Castronovo, Don Santangelo, John Blair, Howie Londner, Jake Guerrieri, Jeff Greco, Mayor Cosgrove, Phil Kearney, Dillon Rinaldo, Wendy Alvarez, Eric Demeraski, Mike Salvini, John Parmentier.

MINUTES:

On a motion by Capt. Sulcov, seconded by Capt. Demeraski the minutes of the June,2016 Fire Board were approved.

MATERIALS RECEIVED:

Co.1 – extinguisher testing, gear

Co.2 –extinguisher testing

Co.3 – hose repair, extinguisher testing, accountability tags

Co.4 –extinguisher testing

MATERIALS REQUESTED:

Co.1 – none

Co.2 –none

Co.3 – none

Co.4- none

BATT. CHIEFS REPORT:

progress on Eng 3 radios. Waiting for Motorola to get back to us.
If there are driving incidents or problems, bring to Chiefs' attention.
Waiting for call back from Pathmark landlord about holding Boro drill on the property and/or in the store.

DEP. CHIEFS REPORT:

Good job on Co.#4 social hour, next one will be in September
One Boro drill scheduled for Monday, 7/18 Co.#3
Watch driving when responding to calls in personal vehicles. Blue light is a courtesy light, other vehicles do not have to yield to you.
New regular members should be given driver training so apparatus can respond. Once someone becomes a regular member and they are over 18, they should be trained to drive, no issue with insurance company on this. They should also be trained to operate the pump.
New pagers have come in, will be programmed Thur, 7/14. Distribution will be based on LOSAP percentages. Distribution should be made by end of next week.
Dep Chief will be out of town from 7/17-7/24.
Regarding new member training, Capt Sulcov asked Lt. Wensell to make a competency sheet for drivers.

ASST. CHIEFS REPORT:

Thanked everyone who participated in fireworks and July 4th parade in Glen Rock
When responding to mutual aid, there should be a minimum of four and a maximum of six trained members responding, no juniors.
When apparatus is responding to Fair Lawn calls, Chiefs need to know how many members are on packs, not just how many are on apparatus.
Waiting for ladder list from Co 1 & 3.
Co.#3 will participate in Community Helper's day on Monday, 8/1/16 at Warren Point School.
7/19 Junior Police Academy Forrest School at noon.
7/20 Junior Police Academy 10:00 am Co.#3
Captains should remind the members that they are in the public's eye when driving.

CHIEFS REPORT:

Decision has been made to fix transmission on Squad at a cost of approximately \$2,300. The purchase of a new squad may be pushed to 2018, have to see next year if there is enough money in budget. We have the use of the old chief's vehicle if needed.
Apparatus should be moving back to Co 1 on Saturday.
Ladder truck will be taken to Kearney for them to look at, Town is considering purchase of KME ladder.
Pagers will start being programmed on Thursday.
Make sure if you received new gear it has been distributed and being used by members.
Pagers will be distributed based on LOSAP percentages, top 50 percentage. We should generate a good amount of spares as the new pagers roll out. Asset tags will be applied to pagers before distribution.
HQ is being painted and new carpet will be installed next week. Coming out of manager's budget.
Fire ordinance change will come up for discussion at the 7/19 Council work session,
Angelo Castronovo has been appointed Interim Fire Official.

FIRE LIAISON REPORT:

Thank everyone for their participation at the fireworks. The town worked hard to get sponsors and it looks like it cost the Boro approximately \$3,700 to host the event. The final reading on the fire ordinance change should be early September. Mayor discussed pager situation. If we get low on pagers after distribution of new batch, let him know and he will talk to manager.

FIRE PREVENTION:

Angelo spoke, is looking forward to working with the department and resolving any issues. If anyone has suggestions, feel free to contact him. Any problems, send him an email. Will work out night time availability with other inspectors. Don Santangelo also spoke, he too is looking to work with everyone and call him whenever you need him.

RESCUE SQUAD REPORT:

None

TRAINING COORDINATOR REPORT:

7/26 Co.#1 to academy for truck operations drill. Anyone wishing to join them be at Co.#1 by 7:00PM

COMMITTEES:

Apparatus: nothing

Awards: No report

CAD: had a meeting last Thursday. Pro Phoenix demo, reps from each company attended. Questions remain to be answered. Additional questions should be directed to Ex Chief Wolthouse. It's a 9-12 month process to load system to operate so we would like to get software in place by year end.

Convention: On hold

Fitness: On hold

Funeral: need new chairman

COMMITTEES CONT.

Gear & Standards: John Parmentier, Co.#2 volunteered to be chairman. Need to evaluate gear standard, see what's new, do we have the best gear for the members?

Honor Guard:

Insurance: beneficiary forms have been distributed to all companies. Please have members complete and return.

Improvement: meeting will be held Wednesday, 7/20 at Co.#3.

Jr. ff's/recruitment: No Report

LOSAP: Wendy stated that check will go going out shortly, same amount as last year.

Ordinance: discussion held on incentives, progress.

Radio: Progress

Reorg/planning: Under Ordinance

SOG: meeting will be held the third Wednesday of each month, Co.#3, 7:30 starting 7/20.

Training Center:

Uniform:

Website:

COMMUNICATONS:

Asset lists distributed to each company. Please review and update and return ASAP.

Email received from Wendy regarding Community Helper's Day, Monday, 8/1/16 8:45 am to 12:00 pm at Warren Point school

Email received from Boro Manager Fire Department ordinance review will take place at the 7/19/16 work session.

Letter received from the Rec Department thanking everyone for their involvement and assistance at the fireworks.

Letter received from the Bergen County 200 Club.

We had 97 alarms in June, 12 of which were mutual aid.

APPLICATIONS & RESIGNATIONS:

On a motion by Lt. Lydon, seconded by Capt Demeraski, Tyler Nappi was accepted as a Junior member of Co.#1, assigned badge J1.

On a motion by Capt. Demeraski, seconded by Capt. Sulcov, Christopher Connelly was accepted as an Auxiliary member of Co.#3, badge A4.

On a motion by Capt Demeraski, seconded by Capt. Henneke, Paul Beites was accepted as a Junior member of Co.#3, badge J1

On a motion by Capt Henneke, seconded by Lt. Lydon, George Perez was accepted as a probationary member of Co.#4, badge A1

OLD BUSINESS:

Capt Demeraski was looking for pig mats which he requested earlier in year.

Co.#4 has the grill, looking for new propane tank.

NEW BUSNIESS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ex Chief Londner advised that Co.#3 is holding a fall charity event, \$20/ticket.

Don Santangelo advised that he is waiting to hear from City of Kearny about Pro Phoenix, Belleville is supposed to go on line in September.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Lt. Lydon, seconded by Capt. Henneke, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM

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Fire Clerk