

Borough of Fair Lawn Fire Department

FIRE BOARD MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER, 2016

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON WEDNESDAY 9/14 /2016 AT 8:00PM BY CHIEF YUSKAITIS AT COMPANY 4.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING WAS CHIEF YUSKAITIS, ASST. CHIEF RINALDO

Co.1 – Capt. Sulcov, Eng. Baliman

Co.2 – Eng. Zakrzewski

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

Co.4 – Lt. Noonan, Eng. R. Healey

Also in attendance were – John Lyons, Pete Yuskaitis, Jake Guerrieri, Jeff Greco, Tom Carney, K. Twiggs, Dillon Rinaldo, Mark Sulcov, Lou Cicchella

MINUTES:

On a motion by Lt. Noonan, seconded by Eng. Zakrzewski the minutes of the August Fire Board were approved.

MATERIALS RECEIVED:

Co.1 – Saw repair

Co.2 –rubber mallet, six cans oil for K12

Co.3 – (2) dry chem extinguishers

Co.4 –none

MATERIALS REQUESTED:

Co.1 – none

Co.2 –none

Co.3 – none

Co.4- PAC halligan bar mounting bracket, K5032-Y

BATT. CHIEFS REPORT:

None

DEP. CHIEFS REPORT:

None

ASST. CHIEFS REPORT:

Pump test 8:00 am 9/24, ladder testing Monday, 9/26 Co.#2 between 8:30-9:00am. Quint2 out of service, will be evaluated next week by outside vendor. Great job at STS/Mavis fire, as well as Nabisco. Convention weekend is coming up, we will be low on manpower.

CHIEFS REPORT:

Please make every effort to be around for convention weekend, the ranks are very thin including chiefs and officers. From Thursday 0800 until Sunday 1800 the desk will be dispatching general alarm for all calls and that includes Rescue as well. With the absence of three of the four chiefs for the weekend and me having to work for a period during that time, starting Thur pm, Capt Sulcov will be utilizing the old chief's truck and responding directly to the scene.

Regarding the topic of the chief's percentages for the upcoming elections, the borough ordinance states that the chiefs must maintain at least 30% of calls to be eligible to run for the next office. In order to verify this, the CAD was run from September 2015 to September 2016 and the percentages were based off the calls that the chiefs were logged in for, I will verify that Ralph Rinaldo, Marc Palmieri, and Jake Mamo have in excess of 30% for this past year and are eligible for re-election. Until the computers are set up for the department, this is the process that will be followed.

Fire academy graduation will be held Friday, 9/23/16 we have five graduates.

SCBA bottles are in and Co.#2 is working on getting them in service.

Please get me all of your information on the saws and fans that you have on your apparatus. I am looking into switching the entire department over to the fuel with additives to help reduce maintenance issues.

Great job at the fires this past month Mavis Tire and Nabisco.

Radios we are working on the issues at hand, this past Monday we had a consultant come in to evaluate the system, we do not have the report as of yet, it is expected to be ready by the end of the week. We will evaluate everything once we get that. If there are any issues, please notify one of the chiefs immediately.

We are working vigorously on this issue so please be patient.

Waiting on gear for this year and computer from last year.

Fire Prevention material has been ordered for open house.

Fair Lawn Ave railroad crossing will be closed for approximately four weeks for repair.

FIRE LIAISON REPORT:

No report

FIRE PREVENTION:

No report

RESCUE SQUAD REPORT:

Chief Yuskaitis thanked Co.#2 for the use of their meeting room.

TRAINING COORDINATOR REPORT:

No report

COMMITTEES:

Apparatus: no report

Awards: No report

CAD: No further questions about Pro Phoenix. Waiting for more info from Dispatcher on Spellman.

Convention: no report

Fitness: no report

Funeral: no report

Gear & Standards: no report

Honor Guard: no report

Insurance: No report

Improvement: no report

Jr. ff's/recruitment: No Report

LOSAP: no report

Ordinance: Tom Carney reported. Possibly look at ordinance and see if it needs to be rewritten to modern times. Need a separate committee to look at ordinance, have younger members who expect to be around, two members from each company.

Radio: Progress

Reorg/planning: Tom reported that they are working on a Stipend program. Need a good plan. Capts should ask at business meeting if members want stipend or LOSAP. Stipend would be paid now, LOSAP is a retirement plan paid later in life. Part of stipend is to keep members in Boro. Expects to present proposal to members and Fire Board.

SOG: progress, next meeting Wed, 9/21.

Training Center: no report

Uniform: Assistant Chief Rinaldo spoke about ex-captains badge. Members are going through the officers ranks several times. Maybe we can change the style of badge and just have a number in the badge which would change as you go through the ranks again rather than a separate badge each time you are Captain.

Website: no report

COMMUNICATONS:

73 alarms for August, including six mutual aid calls.

APPLICATIONS & RESIGNATIONS:

1 –On a motion by Capt. Sulcov, seconded by Capt Demeraski, Bryan Reinhardt has completed his probation period and is now a regular member of Co.#1 Badge #6.

2 –On a motion by Lt. Noonan, seconded by Capt. Demeraski, Casey Russell was moved from Junior to Probationary firefighter, now have badge A3.

OLD BUSINESS:

Probationary shields are in the Quartermaster room. Let us know if anyone needs additional shields.

NEW BUSINESS:

9/25/16 Co.#4 will hold a Walk-A-Thon for Brent Pohlman 11AM, Darlington Park, Mahwah.\$25 to walk.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Lt. Noonan, seconded by Capt. Demeraski, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm

Russell Van Ness
Fire Clerk