

Borough of Fair Lawn Fire Department

FIRE BOARD MINUTES FOR JANUARY, 2021

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON WEDNESDAY 1/13/2021 AT 8:00PM BY CHIEF CARNEY AT COMPANY 4.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING WERE CHIEF CARNEY, ASSISTANT CHIEF SALVINI, DEPUTY CHIEF MAMO, BATTALION CHIEF KUNZ

Co.1 – Capt. Sulcov, Lt. Van Handel, Lt. Blair

Co.2 – Capt. Zakrzewski, Lt. Lydon

Co.3 – Capt. Londner, Lt. Beites, Lt. Baldofsky, Jr.

Co.4 – Capt. Healey, Lt. Noonan, Lt. Greco

Also in attendance were – Joe Collins, Deputy Mayor Reinitz, Jeff Greco, Chief Milnes, Mark Sulcov, Rich Healey, Doug Sadowski, Bernie Lyons.

MINUTES:

On a motion by Capt. Zakrzewski, seconded by Capt. Healey the minutes of the December Fire Board were approved.

MATERIALS RECEIVED:

Co.1 – Tempest saw, rabbit tool, 12 Scott paks, Class B pants, hand sanitizer.

Co.2 –5 Scott paks, (1) set #44 badges

Co.3 – adapters for E3 discharge, hand sanitizer, new Scott paks

Co.4 –(5) Scott paks, Class B pants, (2) portable radio batteries, hand sanitizer

MATERIALS REQUESTED:

Co.1 – Blow Hard fan, tarps, lath strips, Scott pak stickers, (3) AED batteries.

Co.2 –(2) rolls caution tape, (2) kids pads for AED, (2) adult pads for AED, (1) blood borne pathogen kit, (1) regulator for O2 bottle, (1) first aid kit, helmet names and numbers.

Co.3 – truck cleaning brushes, (2) pagers (61,60), (3) boxes 9V batteries, (6) helmet tetrahedrans

Co.4- (30) AA batteries, Scott RIT pak III emergency air supply

BATT. CHIEFS REPORT:

A couple of FEMA grant applications have been submitted. Thank you to department for vote of confidence, honored to serve as battalion chief.

DEP. CHIEFS REPORT:

Look forward to working with everyone. Will be taking care of apparatus maintenance/repair. Advise me if anything is needed.

ASST. CHIEFS REPORT:

Thank you for your support. Table Top drills will resume 7:30 Co.#3, 1st Wed in February. (2/3/2021) Advise chief if anyone has ideas/topics for the drills. The 3rd Monday of the month is set aside for department drills. We will postpone these drills until April, weather permitting.

CHIEFS REPORT:

Happy New Year. Look forward to productive year. Honored to serve again. Department responded to 52 calls in December. Thank you to all the officers for attending the swearing in ceremony. Thank you to Deputy Mayor and Mayor for attending. We had a small dinner after the ceremony at St Leon's Church hall. The department dinner is scheduled for 4/10/2021 at the Brownstone. They have a tent in the parking lot that holds 400 people. Looks like it will work, we will see where things are in April. Sending out emails about vaccine trying to keep everyone informed. Can go to Paterson site, International High School, now on an appointment basis. It's up to each member if they want the shot or not, it's optional. Chiefs have attended multiple meetings. NW Bergen mutual aid, Boro Manager has a monthly meeting, we have great working relationship with Boro. Blood Borne and Haz Com training you can do it on your own or as a group. If you do it as an individual it will go directly to OEM after you hit send button. If you do it as a group, you need sign in sheet. Working on holding a department wide meeting in near future. Possibly Community Center or High School. T1 out of service for approximately two weeks having outriggers fixed. Paramus Truck covering east side of tracks, Hawthorne Truck covering west side for working fires. Plan on holding Citizens Fire academy and Junior Fire Academy. Citizens fire academy in the fall, Junior in the summer. Doug and Capt Healey working on these projects. Clothing allowance vouchers will be in Captains box by week end. Return by 1/20. LOSAP for 2020 is \$956.90. Remember we are one department and we need to act and work as one department.

CENTRAL BERGEN MUTUAL AID:

Meeting next Wed in Saddle Brook

FIRE LIAISON REPORT:

Deputy Mayor Reinitz is the Fire Liaison for 2021. Congratulate all officers for 2021. Budget meetings start Tuesday night, 1/19. Will be looking at Stipend program. Held 3.5 hour work session which included discussion on the redevelopment of the Deals project. Proposal put forth by developer includes three floors residential community one floor garage underneath. Working on dog park possibly at Memorial Park behind DeJong field. Cell phone is 201-362-6547 if anyone wants to talk to the Deputy Mayor.

FIRE PREVENTION:

No report

RESCUE SQUAD REPORT:

Chief Milnes discussed drilling more with the fire companies. Possibly once a month. Contact Capt Anthony Messina is you want to set up drill.

TRAINING COORDINATOR REPORT:

Rich Healey spoke. Spring classes have been published. Limited class offerings, sizes are small. He continues to monitor web sites of Bergen, Passaic, Morris academies. Kean University is offering winter/spring 2021 classes all on line. These are CEU classes. He has received questions about ICS programs. Does NJ accept on line classes. NJ will not accept on line ICS classes because requirements are different in each state. Have to go to NJ academy. There is no state report showing who is certified as a safety officer, there is no state requirement for safety officer. Suggested Rich contact County and see if they can run report to see who took safety classes. Chief asked Rich to contact county and get final FF1 scores. Rich can request County to come to Fair Lawn for classes, 12 is maximum. Rich can set up time to review state report and make corrections/submit certifications if needed.

COMMITTEES:

Apparatus:
progress

Accountability:
No report

Awards:
Working on revising policy

Convention: On hold

Driver Training:

Planning on two department wide refresher lectures. Need updated roster from companies.

Funeral:

Wake tomorrow for Pete Yuskaitis's father. Members can attend on your own. Recent retired members who passed away include Yuri Metelow and Bill Findlay from Co.#3.

Gear:

Need chairperson. Kevin Carney will serve as chairman. First order of business settle on hood. Fire Dex gloves have been chosen as new gloves. Hood samples have been passed around for evaluation.

Honor Guard:

Ed Baldofsky Sr will be chairman and Ed Baldofsky, Jr co-chair. Need new white belts.

Improvement:

Raffle very successful, almost done. Final drawing 1/25/21. Will be discussing next raffle in near future.

Jr. ff's/recruitment:

New chairman is Nick Held, Co.#1. Recruitment is one of the top five initiatives. The goal is to add 4-6 new members by year end.

LOSAP:

No report

Ordinance:

No report

Pro Phoenix:

Spoke with installers. Close to agreeing to come to Boro to do installation. There will be a couple super users from each company to train members. Interface with Motorola moving along.

Radio:

Working on radio problems. Found issues, tuned repeater and made other misc. repairs. Police starting new shed.

Relief:

Meeting Wed., Co.#2, 1/20, 7:30 pm

Long Range planning:
Meeting 1st Wed, 2/4, Co.#4, 7:30 pm

SOG:
No report. Next meeting 1/21/21

Training Center:
Waiting on soil testing. Vendor reviewing plans. 2-1 will get cost for roof simulator.

Uniform:
No report

Social Media:
Public Information Officer is Doug Sadowski. He met with Sgt Metzler and got some contact info. Doug is working on Facebook page.

Accountability officer Jeff Greco. No report.

COMMUNICATONS:

Received copy of Mahwah Council Resolution thanking the department for help during the structure fire on 12/25/2019.

APPLICATIONS & RESIGNATIONS:

On a motion by Capt Sulcov, seconded by Capt Zakrzewski Julio Jara Vasquez, 8-48 Cedar St, Boro, Co.#2, Badge A2 was accepted as a probationary member.

Bernard Lyons, 23-13 Arcadia Rd, Boro, Badge #136 Co.#3 was placed on a medical leave effective 9/19/2020.

Bernard Lyons, 23-13 Arcadia Rd, Boro, Badge #136 returned from medical leave effective 12/18/2020.

Kevin Wilson, 38-44 Victoria Rd, Boro, Co.#4, Badge 99 was placed on medical leave effective 1/12/2021.

OLD BUSINESS:

Capt Sulcov. If any company has copy of manual for small engine equipment please give to him. Saw maintenance will be done in house at Co#1. SOP will be written for maintenance.

Assignment protocol committee Chairman is Kyle Tennis, meet 1/27/21 Co.#4, 7:30.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mark Sulcov Lecture only 8 hours for people who have not taken class. Tentative dates are Tuesday nights 1/19 and 1/26 lesson 1 & 2 or Saturday/Sun 1/23 and 1/24. Capt should respond to Mark with dates that work best.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

none

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Capt Zakrzewski, seconded by Capt. Londner, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell Van Ness

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Fire Clerk