

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District 2
Jackson NJ**

Minutes of Board Meeting March 10, 2011

Members Present: John Poppe jr, Jim Hammond, Mike Mclaughlin, Chuck Bunnell, Attorney Rich Braslow

Members Absent: Jay Symons

Others present: Chief Alchevsky, Asst Chief Poppe, FF Joe Mergner, Dist 3 Commissioner Cliff Jordan, Former Commissioner Steve Holmes, CVFC President Jesse Langouth .

Meeting called to order by President Hammond at 8:00pm. According to all Sunshine Laws, all notices were read.

2011 Reorganization

President: James Hammond, Vice President: Chuck Bunnell, Treasurer: John Poppe Jr, Secretary: Michael Mclaughlin, Commissioner At Large: Jay Symons.

Attorneys Report

Resolutions Adopted for Attached.

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr, seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to Adopt Resolutions, all in favor.

No physical bids turned in for replacement of heating system, need to go out for bid again.

Discussion of current Legislation

Secretaries Report

Copies of February 2011 minutes were handed out.

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to accept February 2011 minutes, all in favor.

Treasures Report

EZ Pass bill from previous meeting Found and taken care of, MUA bill on hold until meeting with MUA is held on 3/24/11 at 5:30pm at the MUA office.

Bill for KC computer systems consultation accepted and approved.

** Motion made by Commissioner Michael McLaughlin and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to accept Treasures Report, all in favor.

CVFC President Report

Discussion about old turnout gear, gear to be disposed of.

Chiefs Report

Been quiet in the town, Company responded to couple of structure fires in and out of town, attended chiefs association meeting to discuss radio system issues, According to the FCC within 1 to 2 years Public safety organizations will need to switch to a new frequency in the 700mhz range, each unit will cost up to \$4000.00 a piece, there are future meetings and the Chief will keep the board updated.

Discussion about unit 5600, command console donated by Southard Fire co. to be installed this will save \$600.00, Chief Alchevsky was notified to finish unit 5600 ASAP.

Discussion of grooming policy, Chief Alchevsky was informed that there are no exceptions allowed.

Assistant Chiefs Report

Everything is going good, trying to get unit 5600 completed as quickly as possible.

Request to have additional suspension support purchased for unit 5610 to assist with towing of the air trailer, purchase approved.

FF Joe Mergner Report

Presented updated truck repair report.

Discussion on Uniform SOG changes, all changes submitted SOG will be enacted in the near future.

Presented price quotes for 2 Scott SCBA packs and spare bottles from Fire Fighters Equipment, price will go up after April 30th, FF Mergner will contact Fire Fighters Equipment to obtain there State Bid Contract #, purchase approved.

FF Mergner and FF Poppe III installed signs throughout the building reminding everybody to turn off the lights and lower the thermostat to help reduce energy costs.

Updated weekly check list to include checking the level of propane for the building.

Requests to have a base unit installed in their office, the portable radios are having a hard time transmitting and receiving, they already have all of the necessary equipment just need approval to install, request approved.

The new key pad type Knox Boxes are in and have been installed on 5621, 5611 and 5601 the old style Knox Box will be left on 5605 until its replacement comes in, FF Mergner will use the laptop from 5621 to program and update the Knox Boxes.

The internet on the Tough Book laptops has been disabled due to the lack of Antivirus software, this will be looked into.

The IAFF local has purchased a Keurig coffee maker for the Toms River Rd Station for everybody to use.

The Blazer at the Toms River Rd station has a rear main seal leak, waiting for price quotes from Hunter Peterbuilt.

Old Business

Discussion about Verizon wanting to put a generator for the cell tower behind Miller Ave Firehouse.

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to allow Generator placement, all in favor.

Discussion about Joint Board, the Joint Board will be trying to formalize in April, all 4 Districts need to agree on a shared services agreement, some of the topics considered are creation of a single Fire Bureau, using one insurance carrier for vehicle insurance, combining computer services and joint purchases to help reduce operating costs. Commissioner Michael McLaughlin stated that he will be stepping down from the Joint Board when it is formalized to avoid any conflict during discussions concerning the career staff from District 3, Commissioner Jim Hammond and Commissioner Chuck Bunnell will be taking his place and assisting Commissioner John Poppe Jr on the Joint Board.

New Business

Discussion concerning bridge repair at Rova Farms, the County needs paperwork signed for an easement due to the fact that the Board owns property in that area, the board Attorney will review the paperwork.

Have FF Mergner and FF Poppe III check all Scott Bottles Hydro dates and place an inventory list in the air trailer.

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to go into closed session at 9:07 pm, all in favor

Closed Session

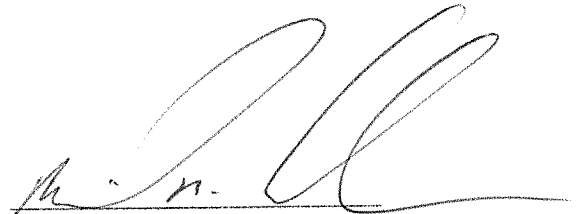
Various employee issues discussed.

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to reopen the meeting at 10:07pm, all in favor

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to have a time clock installed in the bay next to the door leading to the office.

** Motion made by Commissioner John Poppe Jr and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Bunnell to close the meeting at 10:30 pm, all in favor.

** Denotes all motions made.



Michael McLaughlin

Secretary for the Board