

September 13, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 3, Hamilton Township, Mercer County, New Jersey was held on the above date at 7 PM at the District Fire Station, 13 Rennie St., with Chairman Joseph Zalescik presiding.

Chairman Zalescik stated the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act Notice.

Five (5) Commissioners were present; Joseph Zalescik, David Brenner, Patrick Gribbin, James Gramigna and Gilbert Lugossy.

Motion by Commissioner Brenner and second by Commissioner Patrick Gribbin to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 Board meeting. Motion carried. 5 yes votes.

Motion by Commissioner Lugossy second by Commissioner Gribbin to authorize payment of the District bills submitted, upon a review by the Treasure. Motion carried. 5 yes votes.

Secretary Lugossy reported receipt of a check dated June 19, 2016 from EMC Development Company Inc. in the amount of \$103.77.

Secretary Lugossy reported receipt of a check dated August 16, 2016 from Fire District 7 in the amount of \$1,199.25.

Secretary Lugossy reported receipt of a check dated August 26, 2016 from Verizon Wireless in the amount of \$1266.77.

Secretary Lugossy reported receipt of a check dated September 7, 2016 from GOV Deals in the amount of \$14,748.75.

Treasurer Brenner presented the District financial report for the month of August 2016. Total revenue for the month amounted to \$936,236.19 and total expenses were \$279,496.70. This is to include receipt of the Township check in the amount of \$921,990.67. Payment of \$51,072.00 was also made to the Joint Responder Insurance Fund, 2nd installment. A payment was also made to Pioneer Environmental Group LLC in the amount of \$5,500. The balance in the PNC Bank checking account as of August 31, 2016 was \$687,166.52 and \$420,622.33 balance in the PNC Bank money market account. The balance in the PNC Bank payroll account was \$186, 174.39.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Gramigna to accept the Treasurers Report. Motion carried. 5 yes votes.

Chief Thomas Gribbin reported that District and Rusling Hose Company personnel responded to 93 incidents during the month of August 2016:

- 11 Fires
- 1 Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat, No Fire
- 43 Rescue and EMS
- 12 Hazardous Conditions / no fire
- 3 Service Calls
- 7 Good Intent
- 15 False Alarm / False Calls
- 1 special incident type

Fire Official Scott McCormick was present at the meeting. The Board agreed to hold our District Annual Fire Prevention Week program and the dedication and official housing of our new 2016 Pierce Engine and 2016 Pierce Tractor Drawn Aerial Apparatus on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at 1 P.M.

Commissioner Lugossy advised the Board of a major problem with the Engine Room oil separator and a need for immediate Emergency Action due to the environmental impact. As a result, R. Fuessel Pump and Tank Inc. and Pioneer Environmental were authorized for immediate action.

Commissioner Gribbin moved and Commissioner Brenner Second to approve Resolution No. 16-006: Resolution Authorizing The Board To Exclude The Public In Order To Discuss Certain Matters Pertaining To Personnel and/or Litigation.

Resolution Adopted. 5 yes votes.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:40 P.M.

The Board concluded Executive Session at 8:20 P.M. and Commissioner Gribbin moved and Commissioner Brenner Second to return to the Public Meeting at 8:20 P.M. Motion carried. 5 yes votes.

Motion by Commissioner Lugossy Second by Commissioner Brenner to approve the Promotion of Firefighter Joseph Pushman to the rank of 1st Level Fire Lieutenant effective October 4, 2016. Motion carried. 4 yes votes, 1 no vote.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin Second by Commissioner Brenner to approve the Promotion of 2nd Level Fire Captain Steven E. Kraemer to the rank of Fire Chief effective October 1, 2016. Motion carried. 5 yes votes.

Fire Chief Thomas T. Gribbin advised the Board that Firefighter Michael Peoples, transfer from Fire District 4, will begin duty on October 9, 2016

The Board agreed to hold the October meeting on Tuesday October 11, 2016 at 7 P.M.

Chairman Zalescik congratulated Chief Thomas T. Gribbin on his retirement after many years of dedicated service. Chief Gribbin's official retirement date is October 1, 2016

The Board will hold a Special Meeting on Monday September 19, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. to review and discuss the 2015 Audit Report.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Gramigna to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Motion Carried. 5 yes votes.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gilbert W. Lugossy
Secretary