



MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT 2

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Minutes of the Regular Meetings Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Chairman Martin asked for a moment of silence for all firefighters, EMS, police and military, who have died in the performance of their duties, those who died on 9/11, a paramedic and past Chief this past week.

UPON ROLL CALL made by Commissioner Jason Martin, the following members of the Monroe Township Board of Fire Commissioners of District No. 2 were present: Glenn Borsuk, Michael Frisch, Jason Martin, Robert McGee and Alan Tannenbaum.

ALSO PRESENT: Board Attorney Richard J. Shaklee, Esquire, and Val Cier, Recording Secretary.

The following career firefighter was present: Chief Carbin.

There was one volunteer/support firefighter present: Jennifer Awad.

There were no members of the public present.

Chairman Martin announced that the virtual meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, having been published newspaper, posted on the bulletin board of the Office of the Township Clerk, Fire District #2 website calander @www.station57.org, and notices sent to those requesting such.

MINUTES

Chairman Martin asked for a review of the August 11, 2021 minutes.

UPON MOTION MADE by Glenn Borsuk and seconded by Robert McGee, to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting.

ROLL CALL: Aye Borsuk
Aye Frisch
Aye Martin
Aye McGee
Aye Tannenbaum

CLAIMS AGAINST THE BOARD & TREASURERS REPORT

Chairman Martin asked the board to review the claims against the board and for the treasurer's report. Commissioner Frisch read the report:

Claims Against the Board for the period ending September 08, 2021:

General Operating Claims - \$167,734.26

Net Payroll Claims - 124,348.78

Total Claims -\$292,083.04

Fund Balances as of September 8, 2021:

Undesignated Funds

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Amboy - \$2,702,871.47
Petty Cash - 170.00

Designated Funds
Amboy - 198,789.33
Total Funds - \$2,901,830.80

UPON MOTION MADE by Glen Borsuk and seconded by Alan Tannenbaum, claims against the Monroe Township Board of Fire Commissioners of District No. 2 were approved in the amount of \$292,083.04.

ROLL CALL: Aye Borsuk
Aye Frisch
Aye Martin
Aye McGee
Aye Tannenbaum

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Martin reported that the Fire Department had one employee test positive for COVID (who was vaccinated). The employee is okay and others are fine. There is a new law if COVID is contracted, it should be reported to workman's compensation, and they will review. The board was in agreement on having it reported, and continue to follow CDC guidelines.

Commissioner Tannenbaum stated the only way to prevent it is to test regularly. Chairman Martin said if anything is mandated the employer would have to pay for it. Chief stated if you have no symptoms, the facilities will not test. The board will continue to follow current CDC guidelines, as they have been.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner McGee asked how volunteers are doing. Jennifer Awad stated it's been slow since many people are on vacation.

There was a fire call this past week and there was a light crew with two juniors and two firefighters. Not ideal circumstances, but they can help in other ways. For them to get credit for coming to the house and not being able to get to the fire scene, it needs to be reviewed.

Commissioner Frisch has a concern with the lack of volunteers coming to calls. Commissioner McGee feels it's getting worse. What can be done to motivate them to respond?

Chairman Martin asked if there is anything that can be done if they are not responding. Commissioner Borsuk stated if they don't respond, they don't get their LOSAP.

Jennifer stated she is not an officer, but has addressed it. Volunteers have work, vacation, kids, etc. Chief stated he will sit down with Gary and Hank to discuss it further. Commissioner Martin stated it would be helpful to have an officer attend the board meeting. Commissioner McGee stated they should not get incentive money if they are not responding. They are great volunteers, but just don't understand why they don't respond.

Chairman Martin asked the Chief to meet with the officers and report back at the October meeting.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU REPORT

Chairman Martin asked for the Fire Prevention Report.

Chief Carbin reported on the following:

- Firefighter Chrepta was activated.
- Monthly Deposit
- Incident run log
- 9/11 Memorial Service is Saturday
- 9/19 Firefighter test - 31 individuals taking it; expected to take at firehouse; may ask to do it at the Senior Center
- Tower is out of Service
- One firefighter out with a knee injury. Unknown how long he will be out at this time.
- Budget meeting will probably need to take place October 4th.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Martin reported there was no correspondence to report.

APPLEGARTH VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

There weren't any updates from the Volunteers.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Martin opened the meeting to the public. No comments.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Martin stated there was no need for an executive session.

ADJOURN

Chairman Martin asked for a motion to adjourn.

UPON MOTION MADE by Glenn Borsuk and seconded by Mike Frisch, the meeting was adjourned.

ROLL CALL: Aye Borsuk
Aye Frisch
Aye Martin
Aye McGee
Aye Tannenbaum

ROBERT McGEE
Board Secretary
JASON MARTIN
Chairman

NOTE: Appendixes can be obtained upon request from the Board Secretary.

PREPARED BY: Val Cier