

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 2
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 8, 2019

The Monroe Township Board of Fire Commissioners of District No. 2 met at the Monroe Township Fire District #2 & EMS building, 10 Halsey Reed Road, Monroe Township, New Jersey for the Regular Meeting.

Vice Chairman Borsuk called the meeting to order with a Salute to the Flag at 7:00 pm. Vice Chairman Martin asked for a moment of silence for all firefighters, EMS, police and military, who have died in the performance of their duties.

UPON ROLL CALL made by Vice Chairman Borsuk, 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: Attorney Richard Shaklee, Esquire and Val Cier, Recording Secretary.

There was one career firefighter present: Chief Carbin.

There was one member of the public present: Paul Onish.

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

MINUTES

Vice Chairman Borsuk asked for a review of the April 10, 2019 minutes.

UPON MOTION MADE by Mike Frisch and seconded by Robert McGee, to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of April 10, 2019.

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

CLAIMS AGAINST THE BOARD & TREASURERS REPORT

Vice Chairman Martin asked the board to review the claims against the board and for the treasurer's report.

Commissioner Frisch read the report:

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| General Operating Claims Total | \$211,599.65 |
| Net Payroll Claims Total | \$ 85,940.10 |
| Total Claims Against the Board | \$ 297,539.75 |

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M&T Bank:

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| Undesignated Funds | \$1,349,477.60 |
| Designated Funds | \$ 198,789.33 |
| Total Balance | \$1,548,266.93 |

UPON MOTION MADE by Robert McGee 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 \$297,539.75.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Vice Chairman Borsuk asked if there was any correspondence to be read. The Board had no correspondence.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU REPORT

Vice Chairman Borsuk asked for a report from Fire Prevention.

Chief Carbin reported:

- Volunteer training will be done at the next volunteer drill on a Thursday. May 16th or the first drill in June
- 22 May inspections completed
- 51 April smoke detector tests completed
- Reviewed Incident run log (more thermostat fires-PSG Lindstat is the brand)
- Attended State Police take your child to work day (about 800 children)
- Attended the overpass presence for Firefighter Slutman
- Air conditioning in volunteers truck will be looked at before June
- Rescue training for volunteers is pending cars, will be on a Wednesday and Sunday

APPLEGARTH VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

Vice Chairman Borsuk reported that the 3 firefighters in Firefighter One passed their test. Graduation will be June 19th at Monmouth Fire Academy.

MEETING OPENED TO THE BOARD

Chairman Martin asked Attorney Shaklee to provide information on moving the fire district election from February to General Election in November.

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Attorney Shaklee stated moving the fire election to the general election in November means everything will be shifted to General election, including the places of the election. If the budget was to exceed the 2%, the budget has to be voted on the old election day in February, which is according to election statutes. The board can have a special election for bonds or lease purchases, if needed. Putting things in the capital budget would be different.

Instead of having voters come here to vote, it would need to be put in paper to hear it, and the board passes it. The public doesn't vote at this meeting. There is still a need to work out the district lines that have overlays.

Attorney Shaklee also stated that after moving the annual fire district election date, it cannot be changed back.

Chairman Martin read the Resolution moving the annual district election to the November general election.

UPON MOTION MADE by Jason Martin and seconded by Alan Tannenbaum, to approve the Resolution to move the fire district election to the general election.

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

Attorney Shaklee will send the county the resolution. The Statute isn't clear on the timeframes or next steps once the resolution is sent.

Commissioner Frisch asked if District 2 are the only ones moving to the general election. Commissioner Borsuk stated that District 3 is not interested in moving to general election, and not certain about District 1.

Commissioner Frisch stated it may not be worth pursuing a conversation with Dan Frankel about the county bill for the election. Chairman Martin stated the board will have to either pay the bill each year or moving to general election.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Vice Chairman Borsuk opened the meeting to the public.

Mr. Paul Anish, Stonebridge, asked the following:

- Does the fire department get involved with Nixel when there is a fire in a certain area? Chief Carbin explained the police do that.
- How is the fire department doing with police department? Chief Carbin mentioned there will be a new police chief as of July 1
- Mr. Onish mentioned he requested a lower speed limit, to 40mph, on Union Valley Road
- Chief's vehicle status. Chief stated it's on order
- To get CO in building, does the fire department have to inspect it, or is it only inspected by the

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township? Chief stated resale smoke detector inspections only done.

- Does the fire department put out any statements of Carbon Monoxide detectors and the life of them and recommendations? Chief stated there is information on the website, and it's based on the manufacturers recommendation
- Is there information on the temperature to leave thermostats in house at when snowbirds go away and turning off water. Chief stated that is the community's maintenance departments responsibility

CLOSED SESSION

Vice Chairman Borusk stated there was no need to have an executive session.

ADJOURN

Vice 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