

**TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1**

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

April 7, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Manalapan, was called to order at 8:03 p.m. by Chairman Alan Spector, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

PRESENT: A. Spector, K. Kelly, G. Schmatz, L. Caruana, D. Larocca, M. Alongi, F. Kuka, S. Burdick, R. DiTota & C. Parker

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Wells Fargo Money Market	\$806,951.71
Wells Fargo Checking	\$ 7,273.30

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Everything is set for the election on April 20th.

INSURANCE

Waiting for the actuary department to come down with the cost of living adjustment for LOSAP.

VFIS is no longer paying out death benefit of \$16,500; the death benefit is your present value of your personal policy.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

Waiting on 4 helmets, CO meter for 73, Vlad's gear and Burdick's jacket.
Received gas can.

RADIO REPORT

Finalizing yearly inventory of all portable radios.

Having battery issues and need some replacements – 6 at \$54 each (total of \$324).

TRUCK REPORT

26-1-74 – waiting to see if computer screen is still under warranty.

Still waiting to hear back from Fire & Safety regarding the piston.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Requesting additional funding for RIT Operations Class for 4 additional firefighters for a total of \$1,300.

RIT Operations Hands On: All Hands Fire class at Neptune on 5/12, 5/13 (7 pm to 11pm) and 5/15 & 5/16 (8 am to 4 pm).

Extrication Course – Roadway Rescue scheduled evenings for June 15, 16, 22 & 23 and entire weekend of June 26 and 27.

Compartment lighting was installed on 85 & 86.

Conducting a Fire Instructor Level 1 Course May/June at the Fire House for the Officers.

Requesting \$547.56 for the required IFSTA Instructor books.

Requesting 3 hand flashlights for Chief's cars from Amazon - \$80 each for total of \$240.

Continuing standardization project for apparatus. All cross lays are now 200' in length and making hose straps which contain 100' additional fee if necessary (yellow hose). (Working on 90 & 91 for where hose will be stored) (80 & 74 are currently in bags; switching to straps). Requesting \$30 to do so.

Shipped out 6 SCBA bottles and 1 RIT bottle for hydro-testing.

Five packs came back from service; one needs to go out for a leaking valve.

Identified non-usable PPE items: 4 turnout coats; 5 yellow helmets, 2 white helmets & 6 black helmets which we would like to be considered for surplus from inventory. Leaves us with 8 red (junior helmets) and 4 black helmets (with 4 additional on order).

Going to send 1 set of gear to Gear Wash in Wisconsin as a demo at no charge.

NJDCA Division of Fire Safety is coming on Thursday, April 8th to conduct our initial "Training Facility Inspection". This will be a yearly inspection as we are now an eligible organization.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

No report.

ASSOCIATION REPORT

Will start obtaining quotes for the bathroom in back building.

General maintenance for the lawn service has started.

Ice machine needs general maintenance.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

See attached.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Schmatz made a motion to pay all vouchers; this was seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion to adjust previous motion up by \$1,300 to \$2,275 to All Hands Fire Equipment for RIT Operations; this was seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion for \$80 to purchase a flashlight for 80; this was seconded by Commissioner Schmatz. All voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion for \$30 for the straps for the hose; this was seconded by Commissioner Schmatz. All voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion for \$325 to purchase 6 batteries from Motorola; this was seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion for \$550 for the instructor class books; this was seconded by Commissioner Spector. All voted aye.

Meeting opened to the public at 8:52 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Spector to adjourn; it was seconded by Commissioner Kelly and all voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Kelly, Clerk

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS – 4/7/21

Discussion held regarding replacing the Scott packs.

26-1-85 needs a hitch.

Discussion held regarding retiring 93 and placing 81 back into service – body onto 88 and transfer tank and pump. Auction off 93.

CO meters – going with plan to put all meters on the same plan and have them done at one time.

Gear washer for Main House - \$15,144 for the whole package.