

Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire District #5

180 Old Bloomfield Ave.

Parsippany, NJ 07054

January 11, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at 8:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence for Fallen

<u>Commissioners Roll Call:</u>	<u>Meeting Start</u>	<u>Meeting End</u>
Lambert	X	X
Nazario	X	X
Greenberg	X	X
Campbell, Jr.	X	X
Campbell, Sr.		X

Minutes of Previous Meeting: On file.

Treasurers Report: Opening balance was \$274,707.39, closing balance was \$222,725.05, we did get the last quarter check it is not reflected in the figure currently, we did about \$12,000.00 in bills before the meeting tonight. We have about \$420,000 until the 1st check of this year comes.

Some notables are Fire and Safety for \$2,300.00 in repairs, B. Garretson Roofing for \$23,375.00, year end 4th quarter incentives totaled just slightly over \$23,000.00, just a little bit over what we were estimating.

We also have a check from FEMA which came in, in the amount of \$23,445.89 that's also not reflected.

We have another check coming for anywhere between \$5,000.00 and \$10,000.00, talked to Rick Lock from FEMA he's putting our application in this week.

2012 budget and election, the ad ran this past Saturday, which was within the statutory dates, it was in the Daily Record the budget reflected the 2% increase in the budget

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which is 9 ½ cents per \$100.00 in tax money in our Fire District which is the equivalent of \$806,222.00. We need to vote on the budget tonight although we did not get it back from the State yet.

Petitions, if anyone is running for Fire Commissioner, we need to have your petition in the by 21st of January. February 18th is the election which will be in this room, 2 to 9 pm. We don't know who wants to work the polls that day, we need to put the meeting dates in the paper as well as the approval of the budget which will happen shortly and outside of that, fill the paperwork out for the voting machines.

The Re-Organization Meeting will be the 22nd of February, 2012, that's a Wednesday which should be in the paper also.

Joint Board Meeting: Next meeting is here on February 1st at 7:30 pm.

Fire Prevention Bureau: Had a meeting, decided to stay with the ESP software, no change with that, still going over the 608A, we also had an issue with meetings, we only had 4 meetings last year and we should have 6, this year we will have the 6.

Correspondence: Received a letter from Gladfair on our roof claim, stating that we received payments in the amount of \$7,135.01 and \$498.23, these amounts do not include the \$250.00 deductible for each loss, their attempts to recover our claim payments and your deductible interest from Citimark have not met with success, this letter will inform you of our decision to discontinue efforts, they are essentially telling us we can pursue any legal action necessary against Citimark.

LOSAP: Waiting for percentages

Insurance: Finally got Mr. Cavalier's family's payment straightened out.

They switched one of the policies over to another company. They sent me a list with one name on it, I signed the paperwork to move everyone over to the new policy, they are changing us from AIG and putting us into a company called Combined Insurance, everything is the same, just switching to a different company.

Old Building: Nothing

New Building: Have someone to look at the panel price quote on key fobs.

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Good & Welfare: Assemblyman Alex DeCroce passed away, arrangements are tomorrow and Thursday, us the State Police, Sheriff's department every road in Parsippany will be closed, Governor is coming, Senators, news reporters and helicopters . We will do something, Alex has been good to us.

Chief's Report:

1. New ignition has been ordered for 51
2. Everything else is in good shape.
3. At the end of the year we had 291 calls
4. There's \$371.32 in the Chief's Fund
5. Someone from FEMA called will be meeting with him next week, we have all the paperwork completed.

Truck Committee: We had a meeting the other day and went over some things we were trying to keep the budget around \$450,000.00 on the ballot.

There are two choices for Pierce we are looking at, the Impell and the Saber, the Saber looks exactly like 51, the Impell is a little bit bigger and has a bumped out on it a little bit, the cab has more leg room, it's a little more open, a lot more visibility.

The Saber was around \$430,000.00 and the Impell \$468,000.00, we are going to put some things in for options and still bid it at the \$450,000.00 price and if that happens to be the winner of the bid, the pre-payment options, the way the lease is structured, there's a \$14,000.00 pre-payment on the lease, we were talking about taking the hard suction off which is another \$2,000.00 credit, which will help get it down to the \$450,000.00 budgeted.

The only problem is that coming April there's a \$13,000.00 price increase so if we're going to bid this out I recommend that, if everything goes well with the election, that at the Re-Organization meeting we get ready and have a Resolution to put in the paper, and get ready to bid the truck out, we have to make a decision at that meeting.

We'll have to have a Special Meeting to accept the bids.

On another note, we were talking about the Army Truck, we just got the check for \$23,000.00, we have previously gotten another \$13,000.00 and change from FEMA, we're do another \$5,00.00 to \$10,000.00 soon and we were discussing the possibility of a used Army vehicle, we tried to go through the State Police Office of Emergency

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Management but the military only gives them to the state and the State hands them out, the problem with it is, he said, it might be easier if we go through the town, then the OEM person would have to do request one.

They are looking for people who show a need for one, they are looking for people who need one. We have done a little research, if you want us to do more we can. One is in really good shape, the other one isn't, we'll make an appointment and see what happens.

Public: None

Old Business: looking for the bill for painting the fence.

New Business: None

Resolutions:

1. Authorize acceptance of the 2012 budget for Fire District 5 in the amount of \$806,222.00 which represents a 2% increase over 2011.

Aye: Commissioners: Lambert, Nazario, Greenberg, Campbell Jr., Campbell, Sr.

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Nay: None

2. Authorize payment of \$1,285.00 to Perfect Connections for Key Fob installation to the radio room at Station 2.

Aye: Commissioners: Lambert, Nazario, Campbell Jr.,

Nay: Commissioners: Greenberg, Campbell, Sr.

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Dinner: Responses coming in for the Brownstone, will call Aristocrat for the bus and the D.J. is the same as last year.

Adjourned the January 11, 2012 meeting at 9:10 pm.