

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
Monthly Meeting

Date: November 23, 2021

Meeting was called to order 7:06 PM.

Present were Anthony Abriola, Brian Ewan,
Steve LaPorta, Justin Lilla, Jeff Pace,
Rita Shicunoff, Kevin Chapman, Mike Feaster,
Dom Pace and Josh Martinez.

Minutes were read. Any corrections None.

Motion to accept the minutes made by Brian, seconded by Anthony.

Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes.

All in favor.

Station 11-2 Wheat Road Property Bills were read. Any corrections None.

Motion to pay bills by Justin, seconded by Brian.

Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes,

Jeff Yes. All in favor.

Station 11-2 Arbor Avenue Property Bills were read.

Brian made a motion to pay the bills with the exceptions listed below,
seconded by Justin.

Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes,

Jeff Yes. All in favor.

Richland General Store \$63.93

Inspira \$600.00

Gloucester County Fire Academy \$835.00

LOSAP: None

Correspondence:

- 1) Steve Speicher from the Division of Fire Safety sent a letter stating the
- 2) nontransferable. Steve LaPorta will call him to explain the situation.

Discussion:

Chief's Report –

133 incidents for the year

None of the member(s) have questioned the current LOSAP report posting

Live burn training was completed

December 7, 2021, is AED/CPR training

I have heard nothing from Asst. Chief Belfi about the Inspira Stop the Bleed Class, I will reach out to Dave Bell and ask him if he could reach out to the ALS supervisor that handles this training and see if he can get it scheduled.

No Drivers signed up for the Christmas Parade in Vineland on Saturday Nov. 27 at 16:00 so we will not be attending as of this date and time.

went to Trade Images today to open the Knox box they purchased so they could install it. Once installed and they have the keys they intend to put in it they will call us to come secure it.

I am not sure if the Knox keys from 11-1 are accounted for but if they are not in Buena Boro District 2 control you might want to request them. Wherever they are or whomever may have them has access to any facility or business in Buena Boro and Station 11-2 would be the first place for blame and primary suspects should they be used for unsavory acts.

Public Portion

A motion was made by Brian seconded by Anthony to open the meeting to the public at 7:09pm. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.

- 1) Paul Lucchesi (310 Forest Grove Road, Vineland) Paul recommended that the commissioners seek a 3rd party evaluation before making any final decisions on the Arbor Avenue property, the vehicles or equipment there.
- 2) Dave Romeo (307 N Harding Highway, Landisville) Dave stated that there was misinformation being spread about the Arbor Avenue building and vehicles during the Boro council meeting.
- 3) Commissioners Lilla and Abriola clarified that during the DCA hearing that Commissioner LaPorta and Chief Habersham testified that the Minotola Fire Co did not need the Arbor Avenue property or its equipment to service the entire boro that included the area of Fire District #2. They also stated that they were given the option to use the property, equipment, and vehicles in the future.

A motion to close the public portion of the meeting was made by Anthony at 7:30pm, seconded by Justin. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.

Old Business –

- 1) A motion was made by Anthony and seconded by Jeff to finish installing the LED lights to the rest of the building. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- 2) The lock on the double door has been corrected.

- 3) Jeff is waiting for a second estimate for the Arbor Avenue hood.
- 4) Jeff will call next week to set up service for the Arbor Avenue generator.
- 5) The last OPRA for Robert James was sent out to him.
- 6) Mike Corbo, Director of the Atlantic County Fire Academy should have an answer for Steve next week whether the Academy will be accepting the donation of truck 11-23 and the rubber hose.
- 7) A commercial appraisal of the Arbor Ave property is being done. A suggestion was made to have one done for the Wheat Road property too.
- 8) A motion was made by Anthony seconded by Justin to purchase a gas meter at the cost of \$1856.00. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- 9) Steve mailed the list of missing items from the Arbor Avenue property that need to be returned to Lenny Smith. He also gave a copy of the list to Dave Romeo. Steve noted the generator was returned and the vehicle titles were switched over.

New Business --

- 1) A motion was made by Anthony to approve the 2022 blanket purchase orders after the list was read, it was seconded by Brian. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- 2) Atlantic City is interested in purchasing the Arbor Avenue apparatus. They will be getting back to Steve next week with their budget amount.

- 3) A motion was made by Anthony to approve Resolution 2021-020 The Transfer of Unexpended Funds, seconded by Brian. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- 4) A motion was made by Anthony and seconded by Justin to approve Resolution 2021-021 the Adoption of a Temporary Budget for 2022. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- 5) A motion was made by Anthony and seconded by Justin to apply Resolution #2021-022 to tonight's meeting. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- The resolution reads:
Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the November 23rd Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:12 Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.
pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

A Motion to re-open the meeting was made by Justin, seconded by Brian. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor. The meeting was reopened at 8:24pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Justin, seconded by Brian at 8:26pm.

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary/Treasurer