

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

Date: May 24, 2022

Meeting was called to order 7:02 PM.

Present were Anthony Abriola, Brian Ewan, Steve LaPorta, Justin Lilla, Jeff Pace, Rita Shicunoff, Mark Dixon, Kevin Chapman, and Jim Abba.

Public Portion

A motion was made by Jeff seconded by Brian to open the meeting to the public at 7:03 pm. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.

Paul Lucchesi: 310 Forest Grove Road, Vineland

He wants the commissioners to do an independent evaluation before selling assets. He wants the Minotola Fire Co to change its name to the Buena Boro Fire Co. He wants to be an honorary member of the Minotola Fire Co.

Commissioner Ewan explained again that the commissioners do not control that, and he needs to approach the membership on that matter.

Mark Dixon: 159 Summer Avenue, Minotola

Mark wanted to address the accusation of getting into a back and forth with Jenna Talarico on social media. He wanted to set the record straight that his comments to her were only to give the facts of a specific fire call that had untrue rumors being spread. Once he stated the true facts of the call, he discontinued the conversation any further.

A motion to close the public portion of the meeting was made by Jeff at 7:10 pm, seconded by Justin. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.

Minutes were read. Any corrections None.

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

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

All in favor.

Bills were read. Any corrections None.

Motion to pay bills by Brian, seconded by Anthony.

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

Jeff Yes. All in favor.

LOSAP was reviewed and discussed. Any corrections None.

Motion to accept the LOSAP report by Justin, seconded by Jeff.

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

Jeff Yes. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- 1) NJ Fire Association Quarterly Meeting Minutes
- 2) IRS gas reimbursement guidelines for 2022. The commissioners follow the county rate guideline.

Discussion:

Chief's Report –

11-25 has a cracked rim. Tyler and Remley found OEM replacement rims online, the paperwork was given to Steve.

The Chief has a communications meeting on the 26th.

Members have been reminded to lock the front door when leaving the station.

Old Business –

- 1) The flag was put back up tonight.
- 2) Anthony has the drawings from BCCLT for the hood. The commissioners will go over the drawings.
- 3) Air compressor valves were exchanged for the correct ones.
- 4) The range at the Arbor Avenue property needs to be moved so that the inspector can do a follow up.
- 5) Justin reported that Director Pierce at the Salem County Fire Academy is interested in truck 11-23. He just needs to check on the available bay space.
- 6) There is a hood extension while the commissioners are working with the engineer, but the State wants it finished in 6 months.

- 7) The Tango Tango invoice was discussed. A motion was made to rescind last meetings vote to cancel a portion of the service. Brian made a motion to keep the service as it is, seconded by Justin. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.

- 8) A cashier's check in the amount of \$700,000.00 from Jasper Fire Co was deposited. Jeff made a motion to sign the three truck titles over to Jasper Fire Co and allow the trucks to be picked up. The motion was seconded by Justin. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.

- 9) The member who is requesting a hardship withdraw of his LOSAP funds for a roof collapse was discussed. The commissioners discussed what could be considered a hardship and determined that under the LOSAP definition of property damage, unforeseen, beyond control, and not covered by insurance falls under his case. A motion was made by Jeff and seconded by Justin to move forward with the withdraw. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.

New Business --

- 1) To follow up on the Chief's report, a motion was made by Brian to purchase two OEM rims, seconded by Jeff. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.

- 2) Rich Braslow drafted a letter to "Emergency Reporting" in reference to a bill they sent for a paging application that the former Landisville Fire Co used. The letter states that the Buena Boro Commissioners Fire District 2 is not responsible for the invoice. Steve will be sending the letter out.

- 3) Kevin Chapman informed the commissioners that the coin drop has been approved by the State.
- 4) A motion was made by Brian, seconded by Anthony to accept the membership application from Joe Kasper as completed. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.
- 5) A motion was made by Anthony, seconded by Brian to obtain Suzanne Morasco as special council pertaining to the Buena Boro litigation. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes. Jeff Yes. All in favor.

A motion was made by Anthony and seconded by Brian to approve Resolution 2022-019 Closing the Public Portion of the May 24, 2022 meeting at 7:44 pm. Roll Call: Anthony Yes, Brian Yes, Steve Yes, Justin Yes, Jeff Yes. All in favor.

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 May 24, 2022 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 7:44 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

The public portion of the May 24th meeting was reopened at 8:07 pm.

Good of the Order:

- 1) Ron Ciruolo's wife is filling out the LOSAP withdraw forms. The commissioners will have them at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Justin, seconded by Brian at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____
Justin Lilla, Secretary

INVOICES PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

May 24, 2022 Meeting

	Wheat Road	
1	P Card	355.31
2	American Cleaning Inv# 8809	165.00
3	Dival Safety Inv# 3095587 Air Testing	145.00
4	Hill Wallack LLP Inv#636838 & 636839 English & Irick	1,022.00
5	Wade Aulffo Roofing Inv#10671	1,500.00
6	Fire Line Equip Inv#48494 & 48495	1,162.27
7	Rita Shicunoff Inv#186 May 10th - 24th	669.75
	Total	5,019.33
	Arbor Avenue	
1	Wade Aulffo Roofing Inv#10672	1,500.00
	Total	1,500.00
	KS State Bank Truck Payment	55,533.08