# Board of Fire Commissioners Bridgewater, New Jersey Fire District #2

## Regular Meeting on August 21, 2024

This meeting was advertised and called to order in accordance with the "Open Act Sunshine Law."

Call to Order: 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Debra Brown.

Salute to the flag.

**Roll Call of Board:** Debbie (P), Chris (P), Jamie (P), Joe (P), John (P).

Also Present: Rob Hanlon, Jeff Taylor, Chris DeLorenzo, Charlie Gill

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the previous meeting were emailed to all board members. Minutes accepted as emailed. Motion to accept made by John Marsigliano and seconded by Jamie Brown.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Previous Balance - \$ 191,138.66

We received \$ 1,302.36 from a supplement vehicle repair claim from VFIS

New Balance \$ 289,005.59

A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Jamie Brown and seconded by John Marsigliano.

**Bills:** Were read and reviewed by board members to be paid by treasurer Joe Langon.

A motion to pay the bills was made by John Marsiglaino and 2nd by Jamie Brown. All were in favor.

#### **Correspondence:**

- A certificate of liability insurance for North Branch Electric was received.
- 2 vehicle registrations were received, copied for our files, and distributed to the respective chiefs.
- A hall rental payment for the BGVFC was found in our mailbox and placed in the mailbox of the fire company treasurer, Cesar Abella.
- VFIS sent a letter regarding their new risk advisor company, Nottingham Insurance Agency. Vehicle claims will no go through Nottingham first instead of VFIS in PA.

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#### Fire Chief's Report: Yes

- 17 calls in July, one of which was a structure fire.
- Nothing else to report this month.

## **Chief Engineer's Report: Yes**

- Squad 21: Has an air leak and out for annual maintenance.
- We will need to get some AA and 9-volt batteries for the air packs.

## **Rescue Squad Chief's Report: Yes**

- 52 calls in July.
- The chief's vehicle had an oil and filter change.
- 2 purchase orders were handed in one was for medical supplies and EpiPen Jr (6) and the other was for AED batteries. Both were approved.
- BLS-3 did go to PL Custom to have the bubbling paint evaluated and the chief is waiting for an estimate.

#### **Old Business:**

- New engine update was provided. Manufacturing has started and we received a picture of the welded cab waiting to be painted.
- Chris attended a meeting with the town administrator and District 4 Fire Commissioner Allen Kurdyla to discuss funding the radio upgrade. The township is looking into grant options to see if we can find funding support before burdening the taxpayers with this county initiative.
- Jamie has been continuing to work with the video surveillance company to try and get

### **New Business**

 A brief discussion was held on whether or not a special question will be needed on the 2025 budget for bottles and air packs. The fire chief will look into what is needed and report back to the board in September.

Next scheduled business meeting is September 18, 2024.

**Adjournment:** Being there is no other business to bring before the board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Marsigliano and 2nd by Jamie Brown. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Ireland, Secretary