

Borough of Buena Fire District #1

Board of Fire Commissioners

Monthly Meeting

The monthly Commissioner's meeting of The Board of the Borough of Buena Fire District #1 was called to order at 7:14 PM on February 1, 2021 by Charles Gazzara.

Present were X Joe Santagata X Richard DeMarco X Ricky Coraluzzo Sr
X Loretta Gazzara X Charles Gazzara

Open Public Meetings Act

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, P.L. 1974, C-231. Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Daily Journal, as well as having been posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

This meeting is being conducted online via Zoom due to Covid related issues and notice was placed on the fire company website, two signs placed on firehouse entry doors, and Spotted Dog message to all members listed in the software. All notices included a link for anyone to join this meeting.

Flag Salute

The Board of Commissioners wish to enter into an Executive session with Attorney John Pilles. Due to the weather conditions the Board will forgo the regular meeting format to allow Atty. Pilles to meet with the Board and leave as soon as the closed session has ended.

A motion was made 1. R. Coraluzzo and 2. R. DeMarco to approve Resolution #21-05 to enter into the Executive Session at 7:17 with Atty. John Pilles to discuss potential litigation, personnel issues and service contract.

A motion was made 1. R. Coraluzzo and 2. R. DeMarco to approve Resolution #21-06 to resume the regular Board meeting at 8:57 pm. All Approved.

Secretary's Report:

The January 2021 minutes were read and approved as read.

Motion was made and 2nd to approve minutes: 1. R. DeMarco 2. R. Coraluzzo All approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Cash report was read and total bills to be paid this month: \$ 26,881.45.

Motion was made and 2nd to approve report and pay bills: 1. R. Coraluzzo 2. R. DeMarco

Chief's Report:

1. Two training sessions were held recently to assist in the abatement of more citations from the Dept. of Health. Certificates are expected to be received this week.

Presidents Report:

1. Thanks to everyone who is helping to get current issues resolved.

Old Business:

1. The Emergency Reporting software is not being utilized yet. We will begin entering data as soon as other issues are resolved.
2. C. Gazzara picked up L. Finerfrocks uniform and gear from Council member J. D'Alessandro.
3. The Board acknowledges and approves the 2021 officers as per Chief Barbagli.
 1. R. DeMarco
 2. R. Coraluzzo

New Business:

1. New checks were purchased to reflect the proper name: Borough of Buena Fire District #1.
2. The following resolutions were approved:
 - 21-04 Adoption of Temporary Budget for 2021
 - 21-05 To enter closed session
 - 21-06 Return to open meeting
 - 21-07 Close Elan Financial Services Visa credit card.
 - 21-08 Close the Staples account
 - 21-09 Close the Special account and turn over funds to the LVFC.
 - 21-10 Change the Board of Commissioners meeting night.
 - 21-11 Retain Consultant Keith Kemery. An initial retainer fee of \$3,000 is required to begin services.A motion was made and 2nd to approve each resolution with a roll call vote for each. All Commissioners approved. See resolution file for details.
3. HazCom Operations training was held on Sunday, 1/31/2021.
4. Training was conducted on the air-fill station.
5. The air-fill station needs to be repaired. A quote in the amount of \$2,075.00 was received from Airpower Int. who manufactured the air fill station. A motion was made 1. R. Coraluzzo 2. R. DeMarco to approve the repair of the air-fill station.
6. Atlantic County personnel also held a training session to re-education members with RTK, HazCom, and PPE. Certificates will be sent for all attending.

Public Portion:

1. Chief Barbagli stated that we need to purchase more air bottles. L. Gazzara will check to see how many bottles can be purchased while staying within the 30% spending limit until the 2021 budget is approved.

Good of the Order: None

Motion to Adjourn: 1. C. Gazzara 2. R. DeMarco at approximately 9:30 pm

Respectively Submitted by Loretta Gazzara