

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD

Board of Fire Commissioners

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING, COMPANY #1

DECEMBER 3, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Civitello called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Joseph Civitello, Vice Chairman Ed Prunier and Commissioners Kenneth Ash, Andrew Campion and Anthony DellaCamera.

OTHERS: Officers: Deputy Chiefs Anthony Esposito and Robert Colangelo, Assistant Chief of Training Mark Amatruodo (arrived at 8:00 p.m.), Deputy Fire Marshal John O'Brien, and Captains Richard Lennon, Kevin Lyon, and Ken Neubig.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMENTS: None.

READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Commissioner Campion made a motion, seconded by Commissioner DellaCamera, that the Board approve the Minutes of the November 5, 2015 Regular Meeting. On roll call, all in favor.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS: None.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS' REPORTS: The Fire Marshal's Report for November was distributed listing 181 calls. Reports were distributed from Deputy Chiefs Esposito and Colangelo and Assistant Chief of Training Amatruodo.

COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS: Pension: A special meeting will be scheduled to review the pension plan. The pension statistics were approved by the Town's Pension Committee. The actuarial valuation was presented to the Board.

REPORT FROM CHIEF: Chief Seward's report was distributed for the month of November, 2015. Due to the Chief's absence from the meeting, Deputy Chief Esposito reviewed the report with the Board. He informed the Board that Tanker 3 is approximately one month behind schedule. MEDCOM will cost the Town approximately \$11,000 per year. A preconstruction meeting will be held in mid-December and the Town will take delivery of the materials for the fire training facility. The bid for the generator for Company #3 was awarded to Northeast Generator. The testing of the Tower 1 truck was discussed and it was noted that there are cracked welds on the ladder. The Board decided that it should be taken out of service because of firefighter safety concerns. Vice-Chairman Prunier made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ash, that Tower 1 is not to be used as an aerial truck until it is repaired. On roll call vote, all in favor. The Board would like it to be repaired promptly. Deputy Chief Esposito discussed the EMS coverage for the ice rink and he is working with the ice rink to provide coverage from our ambulance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There will be a meeting with the Town Council in January to discuss dispatch issues.

NEW BUSINESS: The schedule of meeting dates for 2016-January, 2017 were discussed.

Commissioner DellaCamera made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Prunier, that the BOFC accept the Schedule of Meeting Dates for 2016 through January, 2017. On roll call vote, all in favor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMENTS: Deputy Chief Esposito informed the Board that Lt. Torino was approached to provide fire department participation in the “Night to Care” event and nine members volunteered to help.

WELFARE OF THE COMMISSION: There will be a meeting with the Town Council.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Prunier, seconded by Commissioner DellaCamera, that the BOFC adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. On roll call vote, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane B. Whalen, Board Clerk