

Mantua Township Fire District #1
Board of Fire Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 21, 2016

Chairman Vacarino called the Meeting to order pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

All in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

On Roll call in attendance were: Chairman Vacarino, Commissioner Hauss, Commissioner Howarth, Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Campbell and Recording Secretary, Susan Weaver. Absent: none

A Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell, second by Commissioner Howarth to accept the Minutes from the previous monthly meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Jones presented Resolution #2016-19, Discussion of Personnel Matters.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Howarth, second by Commissioner Campbell to adopt Resolution #2016-19. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Vacarino swore in Firefighter Daniel Hauss for his promotion to the position of Lieutenant to the Mantua Township Fire District #1.

Chairman Vacarino swore in Kevin Gill as a paid Firefighter for the Mantua Township Fire District #1.

Chairman Vacarino swore in Michael Mercer as a paid Firefighter for the Mantua Township Fire District #1.

Everyone was congratulated on the new positions.

Commissioner Hauss presented the Treasurer's Report. He stated that the big items this bill pay was the lights for the Chiefs car, \$5,999.00, furniture for the Station, \$4,941.00, the new table and chairs, \$3,172.05. He stated that they would be reimbursed from the Insurance Company for the table and chairs.

Commissioner Hauss presented the Reconciliation Report for 1/1 –3/31/16. The total book balance is \$1,318,926.20.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell, second by Commissioner Howarth to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills in the amount of (\$23,785.70). The Motion passed unanimously.

Chief/Training Report: Total Dispatches: 51, 1 Structure, 3 MVCs, 5 Alarms systems, 3 Vehicle fires, 1 Mutual aid, 11 Brush, 6 CO/fumes, 6 EMS Assists, 10 incidental. 2 Working Fires, 1 Extrication, 33 Station Responses, 13 Duty Crew Responses. First arriving unit average response time: 4 minutes, 13 seconds.

Member Recognition: Michael Mercer was selected as the Mantua Township VFW 2016 Fire Fighter of the Year. It was awarded last Saturday, 4/16/16 at the Mantua Township VFW.

Officer Percentages for Month of March: B. Hauss: 72.2%, J. Hauss: 45.45%, N. Lamana: 54.54% and V. Torino: 24.24%.

A Motion was made by Commissioner, second by Commissioner to accept the Chief /Training Report. Motion passed unanimously.

The Chief stated that he would like to have an open house now that all the work is done on the Union Ave. Fire Station.

Fire Marshal Report was presented by Fire Marshal Nic Lamana: Total inspections: 26, Initial inspections: 13, Re-inspections: 10, Cooking Suppression Systems: 3. New Hire Training started 4/4/16 with Firefighters Mercer and Gill is going well. He stated that they had a fire they responded to and they both did a great job and handled themselves professionally. Preplans completed: 291. They are up to date except for 2, one is a County Building and the other building still has ongoing construction. He stated that all the plans will be loaded on to the i-pads; paper copies are in his vehicle and in the office and are available if needed. Fire Investigations: 6 illegal open burns, 2 fines issued, 2 dwelling fires, 2 vehicle fires. 2016 Investigations to date; Structures: 2, Misc. Reports: 13, Vehicle Reports: 3.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell, second by Commissioner Howarth to accept the Fire Marshal's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

Lt. Hauss gave the Building Maintenance Report: The new office furniture was delivered and All-Risk removed the water pipe. He checked the Station and put tape where he saw issued to be fixed by All-Risk.

Chairman Vacarino stated that he would meet with All-Risk to do a final walk thru and create a punch list. He stated that he would like photos taken of the things that should be fixed. He stated that he wants the outside of the Station items fixed also.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell, second by Commissioner Howarth to accept the Building Maintenance Report. Motion passed unanimously.

Lt. Hauss presented the Vehicle Maintenance Report: from 3/18/16 – 4/21/16: 2218 replaced 2 quartz lights that were out, all mobile radios were installed in all trucks with the exception of FM 22 and the new Explorer, all trucks are scheduled to begin servicing

next week, new chief vehicle is in service, replaced spark plugs in pump on brush unit. Equipment maintenance: 2218 repaired chain saw and repaired several SCBA. All 10 new radios and 2 new mobiles for 700 mhz system are in awaiting program from Kenwood.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell, second by Commissioner Howarth to accept the Vehicle Maintenance Report. Motion passed unanimously.

No Solicitor Report.

The meeting was opened to the Public.

There being no comments the Public Portion of the Meeting was closed on Motion by Commissioner Campbell, second by Commissioner Hauss. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hauss thanked Dan, Shawn, Mike and Kevin for all their hard work on getting this Station up and running again. He stated that it has been a long ten months getting this place back together.

Chairman Vacarino congratulated Dan, Mike and Kevin on their appointments and thanked them for all their good work.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM without going into Executive Session.

Susan Weaver,
Secretary, Mantua Twp. Fire District