

Mantua Township Fire District #1
Board of Fire Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting
October 18, 2018

Chairman K. Howarth called the meeting to order pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

Commissioners and Attendees Saluted the Flag

Roll Call:

In attendance were: Chairman K. Howarth, Commissioner L. Campbell, Commissioner J. Hauss and Commissioner C. Jones, as well as, Chief /Administrator and Recording Secretary B. Hauss

Absent: Commissioner N. Vacarino

Consideration of Minutes from Previous Regular Meeting:

A Motion was made by Commissioner L. Campbell to approve the Minutes from the previous Regular Meeting. Second by Commissioner J. Hauss, motion passed unanimously.

Resolutions, Bids:

There were no resolutions or bids for this meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner J. Hauss presented the Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner J. Hauss stated that there were 28 purchase orders totaling \$49,932.25 the payments over \$1,000.00 in this bill pay were for \$1,400.00 to T & J Rescue Enterprises, \$3,570.03 to Mammoth Restoration for Basement Repairs at Main Street Station, for \$1,377.90 to NAT Alexander for SCBA Flow testing, for \$14,280.00 to BHR Contracting for Stucco Installation, for \$9,375.00 to BHR Contracting for Stacked Stone Installation, as well as, \$8,812.74 and \$8,426.65 to Payroll on October 9th and October 15th respectively.

A Motion was made by Commissioner L. Campbell to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills (\$49,932.25). Second by Commissioner C. Jones, motion passed unanimously.

Chief's Report and Training Report:

Chief B. Hauss was presented his Chief/Training Report:

Call Log: September 2018

Total Dispatches: 51

Structures:	4
MVCs:	8
Alarm Systems:	11
Vehicle Fire:	0
Brush:	2
CO/Fumes:	5
EMS Assist:	8
Incidental:	13

Working Fires: 0

Extrications: 0

AM (0600-1800): 27

PM (1800-0600): 24

Station Response: 39

Duty Crew Response: 12

First Arriving Unit Average Response Time: 4 Minutes 06 Seconds

Average number of personnel responding - 6

Member Recognition:

Dan and Dan on their outstanding work keeping apparatus up to date and repaired. Other three paid guys for assisting me with NFIRS reports.

Officer Volunteer Percentages:

B. Hauss:	56.41%
J. Hauss:	28.21%
N. Lamana:	23.08%
D. Hauss:	56.41%
B. Thompson:	28.21%
K. West:	20.51%
M. Nahas:	17.95%

Notes:

Spoke with Al from Bogeys about possibly renting the Jackson Road Station

AFG grant is complete and will be submitted

Commission Minutes posted to the website

NFIRS reports are up to date, and monthly and yearly percentages are attached.

Training Report:

Dan Darnall in Fire Official Class held by Union

Victor Torino and Dan Darnall will be attending the NJIAAI Arson Investigators Training beginning in October.

A Motion was made by Commissioner L. Campbell to approve the Chief/Training Report. Second by Commissioner C. Jones, motion passed unanimously.

Fire Marshal's Report:

Captain N. Lamana was absent and Chief B. Hauss presented his monthly report.

Fire Marshal's Report October 18th , 2018

Inspections:

Total for the year 230 inspections completes
Working with County FM's Office to get our GEO map corrected for proper name ,and addresses of businesses to ensure proper dispatch for 911

Registration Fees:

Life Hazard Fees:

Year to date collected \$20,157.81

Non-Life Hazard Fees:

Year to date collected \$4,650.00 (print out attached)

Fire Prevention / Public Events:

Both JMT and Centre City Schools are competed with their poster contest, and fire safety assemblies, Sewell School visited the Union Ave. Station for a tour, and fire safety discussion, and a short video they watched in the meeting room. (Sewell is only pre-k and kindergarten). Got a lot of positive feedback from all events completed, and thank you!! Thanks to all memebers who helped me so far. There are still a total of 4 events left for the year including the Truck or Treat at Lowes Oct. 29th . I am getting a lot of questions and confirmatiosn from the public, that we should have a decent turnout. All members are encouraged to attend, help will be needed throughout the day to get set up, see FM22 for any questions or concerns.

Fire Investigations since last report:

10/1/2018, 300 Bridgeton Pike (brush fire caused by illegal activity)

10/16/2018, Tyler Mill Rd. (vehicle fire)

Fire Investigations for 2018:

Structure Fires: 2

Vehicle Fire: 4

Misc. Fire: 1

Foam Taskforce:

No meeting was held in October, training for the Taskforce is scheduled for this Sunday at the Gloucester County Fire Academy, for “hose line advancements” all members with operational training are encouraged to attend, see FM22 for details. Next meeting 11/12/18 at 9-3

Respectfully Submitted,

Nic Lamana FM22

A Motion was made by Commissioner C. Jones to approve the Fire Marshal’s report. Second by Commissioner L. Campbell, motion passed unanimously.

Building Maintenance Report:

Firefighter M. Mercer was present and provided the Building Maintenance report:

1. BHR has started the project at the Jackson Road station
2. All Risk had the leak in the roof above the kitchen fixed at the Union Avenue Station
3. All Fire Extinguishers have been serviced for the year.
4. Both Lawns have been cut weekly
5. A timer was installed in place of a photocell at the Jackson Road station for the outside lights above the engine bays

A Motion was made by Commissioner L. Campbell to approve the Building Maintenance Report. Second by Commissioner C. Jones, motion passed unanimously.

Vehicle Maintenance Report:

Captain D. Hauss was not present and Firefighter D. Darnall provided the Vehicle Maintenance Report:

1. Police Cars are being serviced regularly
2. Wenonah Engine 1311 was serviced today
3. All Mantua Apparatus is in service and operating properly.

A Motion was made by Commissioner L. Campbell to approve the Vehicle Maintenance Report. Second by Commissioner C. Jones, motion passed unanimously.

Solicitors Report:

Nothing to report

New Business:

Chairman K. Howarth advised there will be a fundraiser on November 3rd for a local resident who suffers from Polio at Incarnation Church.

Chairman K. Howarth then advised that a group he is involved in is having a tailgate party free of charge at Bogey's on Sunday, October 28th.

Chief B. Hauss then requested if purchase of new signs of the building would be approved, commissioners advised to obtain pricing.

Old Business:

There being no new information on the PBA Rental, Chief B. Hauss was advised to remove it from monthly meeting business until further information is obtained.

The MUA Repairs are still on stand-by. Commissioner J. Hauss advised that the repairs may have to be completed by in house crews. A further discussion was had about what exactly needs repaired.

There was no further information on the Jackson Road Station refurbishment, and should be completed on October 19th.

Chairman K. Howarth then asked about the status of the shared services agreement with West Deptford, Chief B. Hauss advised that the agreement is on stand by awaiting approval by West Deptford town council.

Chief B. Hauss advised that the grant application is completed and has been submitted.

Open Meeting to Public:

There was a motion by Commissioner L. Campbell to open the meeting to the public. Second by Commissioner J. Hauss, motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Close Public Portion:

There being no comments the Public Portion of the Meeting was closed on Motion by Commissioner L. Campbell. Second by Commissioner C. Jones, motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Adjourn:

Commissioner L. Campbell made a motion to adjourn, second by Commissioner C. Jones, motion passed unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned at 1924 hours

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Hauss". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "B" and a horizontal line extending to the right.

Brian Hauss, District Chief/Administrator