

**Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners #1**  
**New Egypt, NJ 08533**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**February 5, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Monday February 5, 2018. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Vice Chairman Brady stated that the notice of his meeting was contained in the annual meeting schedule furnished to The Trenton Times, and The Trentonian. Posted on the Municipal bulletin board and filed with the municipal clerk.

The Meeting was brought to order at 7:05 pm

**Board Members Present:**

**R. Brady**

**D. Gindlesperger**

**K. Hagen**

**M. Howell**

**D. Robbins**

The Board reviewed January's regular and workshop meeting minutes. No changes noted. Motion made by M. Howell to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by K. Hagen.

**Treasurer's Report:**

-S. Heller reviewed the report with the board. No changes noted. Motion made by D. Robbins to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by M. Howell.

-S. Heller also brought to the board's attention that the District's website is not up-to-date. K. Hagen states he has attempted to contact Storks and more but hasn't received a call back. S. Heller will attempt to contact to fix the problems.

**Correspondence:** No Report.

**Old Business:**

-The Board has officially closed on the property next door (61-63 Main Street). Currently awaiting utilities to be disconnected before demolition can begin.

-Annual budget election to be held here, Saturday, February 17 from 2-9pm. The voting machines have been requested. The ballot has been approved. The flyer is out to print and expected to be sent next week.

-J. Byrne following up to seek approval to proceed with rear squad building repairs needed following electric issue. All bills will be paid to vendors and then forward to cell phone tower company for reimbursement. Motion made by M. Howell to proceed with repairs. Seconded by R. Brady.

**New Business:**

-The Board showed plaque to be presented to Gene Pullen for his many years of service to the Board.

-R. Brady discussed fitness equipment maintenance. FF/EMT Manning has only received one quote and has not received all call back from the two other vendors. Empire Fitness was the only bid for

maintenance-2 visits/year for \$795.00. Motion made by D. Robbins to use Empire Fitness for gym equipment maintenance. Seconded by M. Howell

-R. Brady discussed FF/EMT Manning's request to purchase a power rower machine for the gym. The priced unit is the one recommended by Empire Fitness at a cost of \$995.00 without shipping. Motion made by R. Brady to purchase power rower at a cost not to exceed \$1200.00. Seconded by M. Howell.

-R. Brady questioned status of department ID tags. FM Paolo presented two versions to the Board for approval. The Board agreed to use the black and white version. Will begin making ID tags for personnel. Completion time dependent on personnel cooperation.

### **Mechanic's Report:**

-FF/EMT Panacek reports the following:

-He thanked the Board for allowing him to travel to Arizona in January for training.

-Repairs book. There will be one book for all department vehicle repairs located in the gym shop. He is hoping this will keep everything centrally located and eliminated loose repair forms.

-New Ambulance. Training reviewed remounts and brought up several questions for Patriot which have since been answered.

-Apparatus PMs will be changed to April/May.

-Vehicle Weight. Request made to weigh all apparatus. NFPA requires it annually and has not been done in several years. The scale needs to be certified. The Board discussed the issue but no action was made.

-Undercarriage Wash. He would like to construct system to be used in station at minimal cost. The Board discussed but no action was made.

-3915. A quote was received from Fire Apparatus. Awaiting quote from Fire Safety.

### **Chief's Report:**

Chief R. Byrne reported the following:

-January 2018- 35 fire calls with 18 types

-FF Bergeron has completed renumbering and location inventory of air packs

-FF Binger has established & submitted monthly training report (see attachment). Also working on driver's training curriculum

-Chief Byrne requested any Nixle changes could be made by any of the chiefs of the department, the Board was in agreeance.

### **EMS Report:**

Captain J. Byrne reported the following:

-January 2018-123 EMS calls with 15 refusals

### **LEA Report:**

See attached report submitted by FM Paolo

-Need multiple copies for Board members of recently purchased property (61-63 Main Street).

**Career Staff/Union Report:** No Report

**Volunteer's Report:** No Report.

**Public Comments:**

-Deputy Mayor Eric Sorchik thanked the Board and the Department for his invite to the recent installation dinner.

Motion made by R. Brady at 1935 hours to close the regular meeting and move to executive session.  
Seconded by D. Robbins.

The Board reconvened at 2030 hours to approve the following:

A motion was made by D. Robbins to approve the following training requests:

- FM Paolo; Fred Pryor Management classes; various dates/locations
- FF/EMT Remig; Arson Convention in Atlantic City, NJ; March 6-7, 2018.
- FF/EMT Bergeron; FDIC 3 day classroom training, Indianapolis, IN; April 25-27, 2018.
- FF/EMT Kolb; NJSP HazMat Tech class, Middlesex Training Academy, NJ: April 2018.
- FF/EMT Herbert; PTSD; March 20-22, 2018.
- FF/EMT Binger; Basic Airport Firefighter Training, South Carolina; April 2018.

The motion was seconded by M. Howell.

Motion made by D. Robbins to adjourn the meeting at 2035 hours. Seconded by R. Brady.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jodi A. Byrne  
Secretary Pro Tem