

Regular Meeting of Board of Fire Commissioners

Thursday, April 8, 2010

PRESENT: Chairman Heath, Commissioners Buttino, Minnella, Quinlan, Chief Glover

EXCUSED: Tricarico

GUEST(S): Volunteers Chiefs Wood, Buttino

Pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC HEARING: is opened at 17:21 hours.

- 17 Kent Drive - variance granted (within 30 days locate parking barrier no less than 10' from house line)
- 27 Scammel St. - variance denied

Chairman Heath called the regular meeting to order at 18:02 hours.

MINUTES:

MOTION to accept the Minutes of the March, 2010 Meeting as amended (Buttino/Quinlan).

PASSED

BILLS: Reviewed/discussed by Commission

SICK LEAVE:

MOTION to accept April Sick Leave Report (Minnella/Buttino). PASSED

APPLICATION(S) for MEMBERSHIP:

1. Kordek (Co. 1) - MOTION to accept pending completion of physical and one year's probation (Quinlan/Buttino). PASSED
2. Stimson (Co. 1) - MOTION to accept pending completion of physical and one year's probation (Minnella/Quinlan). PASSED
3. Andruschuk (Co. 2) - MOTION to accept pending completion of physical and one year's probation (Buttino/Quinlan). PASSED

ADD/CHANGE FORMS: None

CHIEFS REPORT:

- Plans to announce Asst. Chief appointment on 4/9.
- Apparatus maintenance costs are of great concern (e.g. Engine 205 >\$40,000).
- Possibility of receiving grant for new Ladder Truck is good.
- New SCBAs w/bailout are in and train-the-trainer program will begin immediately.
- New radios are in. Plan for their assignment discussed.

- Permission has been granted to hire a firefighter for the Codes office.
- Changes @ Armory presented (Chief Wood).
- Need to restore the administrative aide position. *Commissioners Minnella & Quinlan to collaborate on a Commission draft to support restoration of the position.*

OLD BUSINESS:

- With respect to the on-going Codes Office issue additional information provided by Capt. Pierce should be communicated to the City administration. *Commissioner Buttino to draft a letter thanking the Mayor/Council for recognizing the needs of the Codes Office and calling attention to this new information.*

NEW BUSINESS:

- DISCUSSION - critical issues facing the Dept. In accordance with the Mayor's wishes the Commission will be, as appropriate, communicating to the Mayor and Common Council information and recommendations relating to the ability of the Fire Department to provide adequate services to the community.
- DISCUSSION - upgrading the level of training for potential volunteer chiefs.
- DISCUSSION - revising the process/procedure of Company interviews of new applicants

MOTION to adjourn at 20:10 hours. (Quinlan/Buttino) PASSED

Respectfully Submitted,

Vincent Minnella
Commissioner