

Hamilton Township Board of Fire Commissioners

District #7

Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by President John Marcucci and was followed by the flag salute.

Roll Call: Present were John Marcucci, Adam Bendas, Fred Zauner, Jered Hafitz and Charles Belmont.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion by Fred Zauner and Seconded by Jered Hafitz to approve the minutes as read. Motion passed.

Chief's report: There were 74 calls since the last meeting for a year to date total of 248. The Chief reported that the ladder tower should be back by Friday. He also informed us that Jonathon Wallentein passed firefighter 1. The Chief said that the Township Health Department would be doing the blood borne pathogens training and exposure plan. He said they would also keep all of the records. The Chief also reported that the group purchasing of Morning Pride gear is still in the works while they look for financing. He said Utility 17 still has an electrical problem. The Chief also said that he would be submitting a purchase order for a c.o. detector at a price of \$195.00.

Fire Official's report: Joe Earhardt reported that he met with the State about the background checks. He said that he was told that Senator Wisniewski is trying to change the law so that the local police departments can do them.

Captain's report: Captain Pallazone wanted to know if the duty crew could go to a union meeting. The Board said that it depended upon where the meeting was being held and that the Captains should call Chief Bendas for approval. Captain Pallazone then wanted to know if Scott McCormick could be used to fill in if one of the duty crew goes home sick. The Board approved this.

Treasurer's report: Fred Zauner reported that we received the first quarter check and that we have \$800,000.00 in the bank. He said that the pension bill is \$300,000.00 and is due in two weeks. He said that we would put the district in financial difficulty if we pay the full amount. The board decided to pay as much as possible now and pay the remainder later with any accrued penalties.

Fire Company report: President Greg Schultz reported that they would be making a decision on renting the hall for 2014 sometime next week. Joe Earhardt said he spoke with Lester Vinella and was told that the walkthrough of the building went well. Fred Zauner said he spoke with Township officials and was told the fire company property could be used for a funeral home. He also said that

the new property we are exploring could be subdivided. He also reported that he spoke with both Chase and Grand Banks and that he thinks we should go with Grand Bank for the financing.

Career Staff: No report. John Marcucci reported that he believes Craig Crawley got the contract back from their attorney.

New Business: Bills totaling \$260,871.40 were submitted for payment. Fred Zauner said that we received a bill from Absolute for the swivel on the ladder tower and that we would pay it. Motion by Fred Zauner and seconded By Charles Belmont to pay the bills. Motion passed.

Deferred Business: None

Public comment: None

Being no further business to come before the floor, motion by Charles Belmont and seconded by Jered Hafitz to adjourn the meeting and proceed to executive session for the purposes of discussing legal and personnel matters. Motion passed.

The district's auditor then appeared late. Motion by Charles Belmont and seconded by Jered Hafitz to reopen the meeting at 8:20 p.m.. The auditor explained the audit and reported that he found no discrepancies. Motion by Charles Belmont and seconded by Jered Hafitz to adjourn the meeting and return to executive session at 8:37 p.m.. Motion passed.

Fred Zauner then informed us that we had to pass a resolution accepting the auditor's report. Motion by Charles Belmont and seconded by Jered Hafitz to reopen the meeting. Motion passed. The resolution was then read and a roll call vote was taken. The resolution passed unanimously. Motion by Charles Belmont and seconded by Jered Hafitz to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m.. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Belmont, Secretary