Pittsgrove Township District 3 Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2024

The July 2024 meeting was called to order at 19:31 by Chairman Smith. Chairman Smith opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance and acknowledging the Open Public Meetings Act (Sunshine Law)

Roll Call

Richard Smith	Present
Bill Schmidt	Absent
Sean Henderson	Present
Brandon Mathews	Present
George Cousin	Present

Approval of the previous meetings minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read independently. On a motion by Mathews and a second by Cousin the minutes were approved as read. Vote: All in Favor.

Bills

On a motion by Henderson and a second by Mathews the bills were approved to be paid. Vote: All on Favor.

A-Team Heating and Air Conditioning LLC	459.00
Associated Fire Protection	410.00
AT&T Mobility	120.69
Atlantic City Electric	740.14
C&H Disposal Service Inc.	90.00
Comcast	289.84
Ed Myers Jr.	482.90
Fire and Safety Services	1,893.64
Freedom Chimney	660.00
High Point Roofing	4,093.12
Pittsgrove Twp Board of Ed	495.57
Richard Braslow	75.00
South Jersey Gas	68.04
South Jersey Overhead Door	2,950.00
TOTAL	\$12,827.94

Chief's Report

No written report was submitted.

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The Chief asked why there was a reimbursement to Myers Jr. as part of last months minutes for grave markers, he said he made his feelings about it known. The board said it was just brought up during that portion of the meeting.

The Chief asked if the 54 or 87 Mack's could be taken to Wheaton Village. On a motion by Henderson and a second by Cousin he was approved to take either one. Vote: AIF

The Chief said hat hose and ladder testing would be on the 16th. He needs to buy two 50' lengths for \$426 and 15 gallons of foam for \$615. On a motion by Henderson and a second by Mathews he was approved to buy the items he needs. Vote: AIF

He asked about repairing the hose divider on 23-6. The board said it was previously approved.

He said 23-5 is back in service.

He wants to draft some letters to the BOE about an FD connection at the high school, the Palatine Lake HOA about hydrants there and to Parvins State Park for access to the stream for drafting and too use the gold course irrigation system. On a motion by Cousin and a second by Henderson he's good to draft those letters as needed. Vite: AIF

Wayne Paolilli is back

There was a brief discussion on Class B uniforms

He asked if there was a policy about firearms in the firehouse.

Company Report

No report

Old Business

Mathews spoke about the air conditioners all going bad, they're old and will all need to be replaced soon. Ed Jr. will reach out to his contact at TRANE to put him and Brandon in touch for planning.

Mathews said the roof is getting done next week.

Smith will check with VFIS to see what they want checked for the background checks.

Ed Jr. will ask Braslow about the firearms policy, a driving policy and the background checks.

New Business

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There was a discussion about the Chief and President reporting to the board. The board wants reports from both to be submitted two weeks prior to the meeting date so they have time to review. Discussion followed on reporting that far before the meeting date. The board said that if the President and Chief do not submit their reports to the board secretary prior to the meeting date for review no business will be discussed until the subsequent meeting.

Cousin asked what the board wanted to do about uniforms. Hendeson thinks the board should pay for all uniforms, both class A and B. Discussion followed. Ed Jr. suggested moving the discussion to one of the committees to be worked on over the next month.

Dave W asked if the board is willing to help the company with getting the uniforms squared away, the board said that they are.

Cousin asked about CDL training. Discussion followed; it's going to be approximately \$4000 per person. More research is needed.

Adjournment

Henderson motions for adjournment at 21:05, Mathews seconds. Vote: All in Favor.