Pittsgrove Township District 3 Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2024

The December 2024 meeting was called to order at 19:30 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	Present
Sean Henderson	Absent
Brandon Mathews	Present
George Cousin	Present

Approval of the previous meetings minutes

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

Bills

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

A. Foote Repair Service	2,212.91
Amazon Capital Services	223.64
AT&T Mobility	120.69
Atlantic City Electric	467.26
C&H Disposal Service Inc.	90.00
Comcast	290.52
Ed Myers Jr.	800.00
ESI Equipment	351.00
Fire and Safety Services	2,844.74
Hartford Steam Boiler	330.00
Municipal Emergency Services	2,401.00
Richard Braslow	125.00
South Jersey Gas	188.71
State of New Jersey DCA BFCE-DORES	323.00
Steve's Auto Supply	48.63
VFIS	178.89
TOTAL	\$10,995.99

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Myers Jr. presented a spreadsheet with recommended budget transfers to balance the budget. There was a brief discussion on the spreadsheet and budget lines. On a motion by Mathews and a second by Cousin the proposed budget modifications were approved as presented in the spreadsheet. Vote: AIF

The revised budget paperwork that Bowman emailed was reviewed. The resolution provided by Bowman was approved and signed. All board members voted to approve to resolution as presented.

Chief's Report

The CAFS system on 23-2 was repaired and 10 additional pails of foam were ordered.

The Chief requested the board to pay for half of the \$700 training fee that station 22 covered for the CAFS training held at Station 22. On a motion by Cousin and a second by Mathews the board approved paying half of the fee after receiving a PO from station 22. Vote: AIF

The officers met with the grant writer and are making progress. The total of all items the Officers wished to request is currently \$648,000.

Basich and Palm have shown interest in taking the CDL classes previously approved by the board.

The Chief asked how the reimbursement program was looking.

There was a discussion about Station 24 and the hardship being automatically dispatched on all of their calls has created. The Chief said that over half of the total call volume this year was to cover all of Station 24's dispatches. The board wants to settle this issue quickly and it will be revisited at the next meeting.

Company Report

Larkin said there is a leak in the ladies' room again.

Old Business

The company attended the Deer Pen Park tree lighting ceremony.

Myers Jr. said that a letter was sent to the Township regarding the usage of the bus garage bay. It will be addressed at the next Township Committee meeting.

Mathews presented the finance committee's proposals for a firefighter reimbursement program and an incentive program. There was some brief discussion. The board likes the proposals and supports enacting them.

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New Business

Larkin asked if the board would be willing to reimburse the company for a generator that was purchased. On a motion by Mathews and a second by Cousin the board agreed to reimburse the company after receiving a purchase order. Vote: AIF

Schmidt brought up the possibility of adding commissioner reimbursements to next years budget. A brief discussion followed.

Adjournment

Schmidt motions for adjournment at 21:15, Cousin seconds. Vote: All in Favor.