# Pittsgrove Township District 3 Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

May 3, 2022

The May 2022 meeting was called to order at 19:41 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
Christopher McDowell Present
Sean Henderson Absent
Brandon Mathews Present
George Cousin Present

## Reading of the previous meetings minutes

The minutes of the April 2022 meeting were read independently. On a motion by Cousin and a second by McDowell the minutes were approved as read. Vote: All in Favor.

## **Bills**

Bills for April were read by Smith. On a motion by McDowell and a second by Mathews the bills were approved to be paid. Vote: All on Favor.

Atlantic City Electric 563.90
C&H Disposal Service Inc. 90.00
Camden County College 250.00
E.W. Bostwick Inc. 64.53
Ed Myers Jr. 411.95
Elmer Times 15.00
ESI Equipment 345.00
Gen El Safety & Industrial Products 489.93
Municipal Emergency Services 3,520.30
Richard Braslow 107.50
South Jersey Gas 679.52
Steve's Auto Supply 107.24
WEX Bank 273.28
TOTAL \$6,918.15

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

Chief Morse gave the fire report and then spoke about the house fire in Elmer. There was a duty crew on station when the fire was dispatched allowing us to be on location in less than 10 minutes.

The FirstNet Sim cards are here, the Chief has had trouble communicating with the company.

The Chief requested approval to purchase 50 helmet shields for \$38 each, a total of \$1912 + shipping from MES. On a motion by Mathews and a second by McDowell he was approved to purchase them. Vote: AIF

The SOG's are still in work

23-1 and 23-7 will be auctioned on May 13<sup>th</sup>, interest for 23-1 still seems high.

E-One is bringing a truck down for us to demo on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 1900. Pierce is interested in talking to us about what they offer.

There have been inquiries from people outside of the company about staffing a duty crew.

Alaina Mathews paid for EMT training and is requesting reimbursement. On a motion by Cousin and a second by McDowell the training reimbursement was approved. Vote: AIF (Mathews abstains)

The county only has 2 ambulances on call from midnight to 0600, one in Elmer and one in Salem

#### **Company Report**

Larkin said the company is still working on quotes for replacing the air lines. He requested permission to install more lights in the attic and to move the switch to where the attic ladder goes up. Discussion followed.

On a motion by Mathews and a second by Cousin the company was approved to spend up to \$200 between meetings for "maintenance supplies". Vote: AIF

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### **Old Business**

Chairman Smith brought up the well. The commissioners are not happy with the well and the work that Dagastinos performed. They will be reaching out to them to figure out a solution to fix the well properly. Discussion followed. Chairman Smith established a sub-committee to work on the well issue, Cousin and McDowell will be the commissioner representatives.

Dave W had some questions about a proposal to do tree work, discussion followed.

## **New Business**

Chief Morse spoke about the architect and his proposal. Discussion followed. Resolution 2022-5-3-1 was presented to appoint Garrison Architects as the official board architect. Roll call vote:

Smith - Yes

Cousin - Yes

McDowell - Yes

Mathews – Yes

Henderson – Absent

A sub committee was formed to formulate a plan and communicate with the architect moving forward, the commissioners appointed were Smith and Mathews

Chairman Smith would like to sever all ties to Roger Anderson as the Engineer, his performance has not been satisfactory.

## Adjournment

Mathews motioned for adjournment at 21:31, Cousin seconds. Vote: All in Favor.