



## CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT #1

September 19, 2017 - 6:00PM  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Komjathy called the meeting to order at 6:06PM with a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, noticing The Trenton Times, The Democrat, City Hall Bulletin Board, and various individuals

### **ROLL CALL**

Secretary Lelie called the roll as follows:

*Present:* Chairman Komjathy, Vice Chairman Kascik, Commissioner Lechner, Commissioner Commissioner Mohr, Commissioner McManus-Keyes

*Also Present:* Attorney Braslow, Chief Barlow, Joseph Marcucci

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Komjathy.

### **COMMISSIONER'S ITEMS**

The following applications were received and approved, pending criminal background checks on each: Robert Bird (Fire Police), John Schutts, Vincent Albani, Allen Wurlpel and Alex Gillespie.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion by Commissioner Mohr to approve the August 15, 2017 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner McManus-Keyes, with Vice Chairman Kascik abstaining, MOTION PASSED.

### **APPROVAL OF REQUISITIONS**

A motion by Vice Chairman Kascik to approve the requisitions presented for the evening, seconded by Commissioner Mohr, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

A motion by Vice Chairman Kascik to approve the bills presented for the evening, seconded by Commissioner Mohr, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

### **BUDGET**

Joseph Marcucci asked Chief Barlow to provide his budget for 2018. There was discussion regarding the replacement of the Chief's vehicle.

Pierce provides schooling/training for maintenance on the firetrucks. The cost is approximately \$1,500 per person. All maintenance work is currently performed in-house. The warranty work is not performed by us.

We are currently way below the budgeted amount for the uniform allowance of \$25,000. The firemen must make 30% of all calls and have their mandatory training up-to-date. They are ineligible to ride if their mandatories are not current. The uniform allowance and pay per call will be paid in November.

The Chief requested a gear rack and training for the dive program is inclusive in the 2018 budget. There is no equipment that we are in dire need of. The maximum needed would be \$10,000 for next year.

**FIRE PREVENTION**

Fire Prevention night will be held in-house, on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. The firemen will be staging programs during the day at the school. We are waiting for an answer in acquiring the “smokehouse.”

Chairman Komjathy is awaiting the Buxbaum report from Councilman Sanders.

A motion by Commissioner Mohr to enter into closed session, seconded by Commissioner Lechner, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED. The Commissioners entered into closed session at 6:36PM.

**RESOLUTION**  
**Closing of Meeting Pursuant to  
Open Public Meetings Act**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the Commissioners are allowed to engage in executive session during any particular meeting when it becomes necessary to discuss matters which the statute allows to be discussed in executive session; and

WHEREAS, it was necessary for the Commissioners to discuss various matters of personnel, and accordingly, the Commissioners met in executive session to discuss same.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, as follows:

- (1) The meeting of September 19, 2017 is closed and will be reopened at such time as the discussion in executive session has been completed.
- (2) The minutes will be revealed to the public at such time as the matters discussed have been resolved.

The Commissioners adjourned the closed session at 7:00PM.

**CHIEF’S REPORT**

Chief Barlow read his report into the minutes. Chief Barlow announced he is retiring from Pierce January, 2019. The Chief asked for approval for up to \$6,500, for the remainder of the year for training. The Commission approved.

**CHIEF BARLOW**

A motion by Commissioner McManus-Keyes to approve a salary adjustment for Chief Barlow, seconded by Commissioner Lechner, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

A motion by Vice Chairman Kascik to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Mohr, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Sally Lelie

