

CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT #1
March 6, 2018 - 6:00PM
REGULAR MEETING & REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Chairman Komjathy called the meeting to order at 6:15PM 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 Sally Lelie called the roll as follows:

Present: Chairman Komjathy, Commissioner McManus Keyes, Commissioner Lechner

Absent: Commissioner Mohr

Also Present: Attorney Braslow, Chief Barlow, Captain Siwy, Joseph Marcucci

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Komjathy.

COMMISSIONER'S ITEMS

Board Attorney Richard Braslow swore in the newly elected Commissioners, Aladar Komjathy and Erin McManus-Keyes, both for full three (3) year terms.

NOMINATIONS OF POSITIONS

A motion by Commissioner McManus-Keyes, seconded by Commissioner Lechner to nominate Aladar Komjathy as Chairman, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

Commissioner Mohr joined the meeting, via telephone, at 6:17pm.

A motion by Chairman Komjathy, seconded by Commissioner McManus-Keyes to nominate Sarah Lechner as Vice Chairman, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

A motion by Chairman Komjathy, seconded by Vice Chairman Lechner to nominate Erin McManus-Keyes as Treasurer, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

A motion by Chairman Komjathy, seconded by Vice Chairman Lechner to nominate Colin Mohr as Secretary, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Komjathy read the following Resolutions into the minutes.

Resolution #18-004 – Designation of Official Newspapers, Resolution #18-005 – Authorizing Regular Meeting Schedule, Resolution #18-007 – Surety Bonding for Commissioners, Resolution #18-008 – Authorizing Petty Cash Fund, Resolution #18-009 – Appointment of Accountant, Resolution #18-010 – Authorizing Approval and Payment of Claims, Resolution #18-011 – Adoption of a Cash Management Plan, Resolution #18-012 – Appointment of Auditor, Resolution #18-013 – Appointment of Attorney, Resolution #18-014 – Open and Fair contract with Account Services. A motion by Vice Chairman Lechner, to approve the minutes of March 6, 2018, seconded by Commissioner McManus-Keyes, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

MINUTES

A motion by Commissioner McManus-Keyes to approve the minutes of January 11, 2018, seconded by Commissioner Mohr, with Vice Chairman Lechner abstaining, MOTION PASSED.

APPROVAL OF REQUISITIONS

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Barlow read his report into the minutes. On April 29, 2018, the Chief requested four firemen to attend a five (5) day Technical Rescue Training Class.

Discussion ensued concerning the fire inspections for Shad Festival and for fireworks. The Chief noted that the Chamber of Commerce does not provide pay to us for these services. They haven't in the past three (3) years. It is unknown if the Fire Inspector will show up for inspections for Shad Fest or the fireworks. Payment for services should be at prevailing wage, not at their currently hourly rate. We should get a contract in place with the City (Shad Fest inspections) and the Chamber of Commerce for fireworks. It was suggested we have a checklist in place. It was also suggested that we do not perform inspections unless we get sufficient notice and are paid prevailing wages. Mr. Braslow will compose the letters.

The Dive Team will go into service shortly. The District purchased approximately \$55,000 of diving equipment/gear from West Trenton Volunteer Fire Company, for a fair price.

The District is staffing headquarters with six (6) personnel on 5/7/18 @ 6:00AM through 5/7/18 at 6:00PM.

In the meeting with Councilman Sanders and Council President Stegman, it was brought up that the District goes to more fire calls in New Hope. The Chief stated that the runs to New Hope have diminished over the years.

A motion by Chairman Komjathy, to enter into closed session and seconded by Commissioner McManus-Keyes, and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED. The Commissioners entered into closed session at 6:50PM.

A motion by Commissioner McManus Keyes to end the closed session, seconded by Vice Chairman Lecher and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED. The Commissioners came out of closed session at 7:12PM.

Millard Thornton, member of the audience, suggested the Fire District perform the fire inspections for the City. Chairman Komjathy encouraged Mr. Thornton to speak with someone at City Hall. Chairman Komjathy will forward his message along to Councilman Sanders.

A motion by Commissioner McManus Keyes to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairman Komjathy and with a unanimous voice vote, MOTION PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Lelie, Secretary

