



## **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**DISTRICT NO. 1**

**Township of Pittsgrove, Salem County**

**P.O. Box 111**

**Norma, NJ 08347-0111**

**Regular Meeting**

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2014**

**Present:**

Henry Mayerfeld, Chairman  
Louis J. Vasile, Secretary  
Pat Heer, Treasurer  
Elbert Johnson  
Sandy Comparri, Recording Secretary

**Absent:**

Krystal Bates  
Linda Kurtz, Chief  
Rich Kurtz, President

**Audience:**

None

Henry Mayerfeld called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The flag salute a moment of silence and reflection for the LODD and or dignitaries were held. The sunshine law was read.

**MINUTES FOR AUGUST 15, 2014**

The minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Pat Heer and seconded by Lou Vasile.

Vote: All in favor

**TREASURERS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2014**

Henry is still looking into who is paying the best interest in certificates of deposit.

Lou Vasile asked who owns the money in the saving account. Henry explained it is the insurance money from the old garage that was put in a savings account over ten years ago. The Commissioners paid the insurance on the old garage as a curtesy to the fire company.

The Commissioners briefly looked over the invoices from Vincent's Landscaping the Secretary supplied to them. Henry wants to talk about these invoices at the next meeting. He is questioning why the lawn needs to be fertilized every month at a cost of \$ 45.00 per month. It was decided to put the landscaping out for bids next year.

Pat Heer asked about having a complete inventory done of everything in the fire station. She reminded the Commissioners it has been talked about before, but nothing was ever done about

it. She thought it would be good idea to do the inventory and then start keeping track of when things are bought so a depreciation schedule could be kept on everything.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and approved on a motion by Lou Vasile and seconded by Elbert Johnson.

Vote: All in favor

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Lou Vasile said Linda Kurtz told him she has finally caught up on her paperwork.

Lou Vasile has been doing some of the jobs around the station that need to be done.

- He went to Dutra Sheet and had a bracket made up to hold the thermal camera in 24-5.
- Updated inventory on the trucks
- Fixed electrical sockets in the building, which he forgot the bill for, which he needs to turn in.
- Patched holes in the walls
- Put up bumpers

### **Title Replacement:**

Lou Vasile said he was still unable to find out how to get a title for the Rescue Truck. He tried calling around but has had no luck in getting information in order to get a replacement title.

Henry suggested calling the state and explaining everything to them, that there is no lean on the vehicle and the company which sold us the truck is no longer in business.

### **GENERATOR**

The Secretary got all the information out to Richard Braslow. Lou did get the information about the bid back from him but it looks like everything is together instead of two separate bids as requested. One bid for the generator and the other to install the generator. Lou Vasile is going to call him to find out the reason.

### **Second Water Test:**

Lou Vasile said he forgot to ask Rich Kurtz if the second water test was ever done. He will try to remember to ask him before the next meeting.

### **LOSAP for Dan Sauder:**

Pat Heer said she saw Dan Sauder at Norma Day last weekend. He said he still has not gotten his money from LOSAP. The Secretary said she has spoken to the girl who takes care of the LOSAP account and she has gotten the information out to Lincoln Beneficial. It will take a couple of weeks for everything to process.

### **Wawa Credit Card:**

The Commissioners have decided not to get gift cards for the fire company to keep on hand in case of emergency power outages. After speaking with Sharon Smith, the auditor, there is just too much paper work involved in using them.

### **Solar Panels:**

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Lou Vasile said Centerton Fire Company is getting solar panels put up by a company that puts them up and does the maintenance because it owns them. He also said the panels that Willow Grove put up have reduced their electric bill by 1/3.

Henry Mayerfeld said we can't get the generator and the solar panels because we don't have enough money. With the green credits so low we won't be able to make money from the solar panels; only save money. After a few years when the warranty is done we will have to start fixing the panels. So it will cost money again.

Lou Vasile mentioned if we get a company to put them up who owns them, then they are reasonable for the repairs.

It was decided to table the solar panels again for about 1 year and talk about it again after the generator is purchased and installed.

**Tabled items:**

- Stripping of Parking lot (Henry)
- Repaving of parking lot ( Henry)
- Solar Panels (Lou)

**Correspondence:**

- The Secretary supplied everyone with the notification of a solar structure she received in the mail. She also made sure the Chief has one so it can be put into her files.
- The Secretary supplied everyone with a copy of the Fire District Budget Calendar she printed off the internet.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was closed at 9:15 pm on a motion by Pat Heer and Elbert Johnson

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Sandra M. Comparri  
Recording Secretary