

**PORT READING BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
PORT READING, NJ 07064
February 6, 2012**

The Port Reading Board of Fire Commissioners Monthly Public Meeting of February 6, 2012 was called to order by Commissioner Santorelli at 7:30 pm. Five Commissioners were present: Comm. Santorelli, Comm. Galvach, Comm. Nardiello, Comm. Huber and Comm. Zullo. Board Accountants John Ur and Maria Bucsanszky were present. Board Attorney Thomas Buck was present. Board Clerk Marianne DeSantis was present.

Reviewed minutes from the January 3rd monthly meeting.

MOTION to accept the January 3rd monthly meeting minutes made by Comm. Nardiello, seconded by Comm. Huber. All in favor 5-0.

BILLS TO BE PAID: \$43,089.69

MOTION to pay the bills made by Comm. Nardiello, seconded by Comm. Huber. All in favor 5-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance	\$ 478,458.05
Deposits	\$ 0.00
Interest	\$ 96.85
Payroll	\$ (78,163.72)
Payroll Tax Adjustment	\$ 4,231.63
Disbursements for the Month	<u>\$ (43,089.69)</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 353,069.86

MOTION to accept Treasurer's Report was made by Comm. Zullo, seconded by Comm. Galvach. All in favor 5-0.

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT:

Fire Official's report was not available at this time and tabled until the March meeting.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

MOTION to accept Captain's Report made by Comm. Zullo, seconded by Comm. Huber. All in favor 5-0.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief reported calls for the month of January (24 calls and 1 drill).

Chief reported that most attended Super Saturday and all but one individual has had their gear inspected.

Chief requested permission to take a vehicle to the Woodbridge Irish American St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 11 at 1:30pm, which was approved by Comm. Santorelli.

Chief stated that the fire company came together when they lost their Brother Firefighter from Hopelawn, Bruce Turcotte in the line of duty. Chief reported that all attended the funeral service and they were on eight hour stand by to cover their firehouse one evening.

Comm. Santorelli requested that the Chief look into the recent water rescue.

Comm. Galvach commended the Chief, his Assistant and Staff for coming together as a unit during some unfortunate events this month.

Comm. Nardiello reported that he saw first hand the response of the fire company and commented that it was nice to see a great turnout for such sad events.

MOTION to accept the Chief's report made by Comm. Nardiello, seconded by Comm. Zullo. All in favor 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Comm Zullo reported that he needs to further discuss the situation with the hood in the kitchen with Comm. Huber, but stated that it has been determined that it needs to be changed from a dry system to a wet system. Comm. Nardiello suggested that they seek assistance from the State Fire Official.

Comm. Nardiello reported that the red helmets have been issued to the volunteer firefighters involved.

Comm. Nardiello stated that a letter has been sent to dispatching to advise of a radio issue, which was made part of the minutes.

Comm. Huber reported that he will follow up with the handyman Mike Majur regarding the sink, fan and duct work in the sleeping quarters.

Comm. Huber discussed options for the electrical/power issue downstairs which Comm. Zullo and Nardiello stated they would look into.

Comm. Galvach inquired about the LOSAP resolution which would later be discussed in Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS

Comm. Zullo reported that he received an estimate of approximately \$17,000 to replace a portion of the roof if we need it in the future and that he is following up on the Certificate of Occupancy.

Comm. Huber stated that he has some quotes from Staples for the new chairs, but would like to go there to see them in person.

Comm. Santorelli stated that Comm. Zullo would be running for re-election and there would also be a budget vote.

MOTION to hire the same poll clerks and order food from D'Aprile Caterers for the election was made by Comm. Nardiello, seconded by Comm. Zullo. All in favor 5-0.

MOTION to enter Executive Session at 8:15 pm to discuss a matter with the Chief, contract negotiations, LOSAP and a legal issue was made by Comm. Nardiello, seconded by Comm. Zullo. All in favor 5-0.

MOTION out of Executive Session at 9:07 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Matters discussed during Executive Session was a legal issue regarding physicals for career and volunteer staff, including the first aid squad, ongoing contract negotiations and the LOSAP Resolution, which will be amended and a resolution which will be voted on by the Board at the next meeting.

MOTION to adjourn meeting at 9:10 pm made by Comm. Galvach, seconded by Comm. Zullo. All in favor 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne DeSantis
Board Clerk