

**MOUNT LAUREL FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING / WORK SESSION**

February 1, 2016
Fire Department Headquarters Station
Meeting Minutes #2

IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Commissioner Ridenour
2. Commissioner Roura
3. Commissioner Shestack
4. Commissioner Hamilton
5. Chief of Department Colucci
6. Deputy Chief Burnett

NOT PRESENT:

1. Commissioner Clutter
2. Administrator Jones

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Shestack at 8:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence observed.

The Public Announcements were read by Commissioner Hamilton.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #2016-06 "Authorization for the Sale of Surplus Property". Commissioner Ridenour made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Commissioner Shestack asked Chief of Department Colucci how much he thought that selling these 2 vehicles would raise. Chief of Department Colucci replied that he did not have a figure and Deputy Chief Burnett added that one of the vehicles has relatively low mileage. Commissioner Shestack asked them if the replacement vehicles had been delivered yet and Chief of Department Colucci replied that they were delivered late last year and were both now in-service. Commissioner Shestack asked him what was going on with the brush truck and Chief of Department Colucci replied that the truck is still in-service but we will need to decide whether to put money into repairing the body damage, which has been estimated to be about \$8,000. Commissioner Shestack suggested that we use proceeds from the sale of these 2 vehicles and do that so that we don't have to buy a new brush truck. Chief of Department Colucci stated that we were considering including a new brush truck in the 2017 Budget.

Resolution #2016-07 "Appointment of Randy Johnson to the Part-Time Position of Fire Prevention Specialist for the Year 2016". Commissioner Ridenour made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Resolution #2016-08 "Appointment of Michael Wenz to the Part-Time Position of Fire Prevention Specialist for the Year 2016". Commissioner Ridenour made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the minutes of the 11/4/15 Special Meeting, 11/16/15 Regular Meeting, 12/21/15 Regular Meeting and 1/18/16 Regular Meeting that was seconded by Commissioner Ridenour. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the minutes of the 12/7/15 Special Meeting that was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was approved by a vote of 3 'ayes' to 1 'nay' with Commissioner Ridenour abstaining.

OTHER MATTERS:

2/20/16 Election Preparations – Chief of Department Colucci reported that preparations are almost complete for the election. Flyers will be included with the February MUA bills when they are mailed out this week, intersection election signs are ready to be deployed the weekend before the election and everything else is in order. Commissioner Shestack reported that Cindy DiPietrantonio filed a petition for the 1 open seat on the ballot. He added that she met with the Union recently and that it went pretty well. Chief of Department Colucci added that he has received more questions regarding the format of our 2016 Budget ballot question and whether there will a tax rate increase this year. The wording of the question seems to confuse people and he questioned whether there was a way that we could clarify this for the residents using Facebook or our website. He felt that this confusion is why we get 'NO' votes every year. Commissioner Shestack recommended that we check with Solicitor Braslow to see if we can clarify the budget question so that it is more easily understood.

COMMENTS BY FIRE COMMISSINERS:

Commissioner Roura noted that annual banquet has been re-scheduled for Friday night, 3/4/16 at 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

Commissioner Hamilton made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Commissioner Ridenour. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:16 PM.