

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION

April 12, 2018

A regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Fire Prevention was held in the Main Conference Room at the Franklin Township Municipal Building at 475 DeMott Lane, Somerset; on April 12, 2018 from 7:35 pm to 8:05pm. Vice-Chairman Darrell Myers called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the Sunshine Notice.

A moment of silence was held for all members who have passed. The Board held an additional moment of silence recognizing the April 11th date for the anniversary of the LODD of Kevin Apuzzio from East Franklin FD.

ATTENDANCE

<u> </u> Shanel Robinson	<u> </u> Phil Kramer	Township Council
<u> X </u> Brian Farrar	<u> </u>	Twp. Manager/Police Dept.
<u> X </u> John Hauss	<u> X </u> Andrew Berardo	Fire Prevention
<u> X </u> Rich Hibbard	<u> X </u> Jim Wickman	Fire District No. 1
<u> X </u> Darrell Myers	<u> </u> Dave Hammer	Fire District No. 2
<u> X </u> Sherrod Middleton	<u> </u> Kenneth Reid	Fire District No. 3
<u> </u> Christina Klam	<u> X </u> Keith Chase	Fire District No. 4
<u> </u> Vincent Inzano	<u> X </u> Steve Berardo	Fire Chief's Association

MINUTES – The February 8, 2018 and March 8, 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT – The Board reviewed the Activity, FAAR and Fire Call Response reports for February & March.

John Hauss reported that interviews had been completed and a recommendation was submitted to HR for the full time fire inspector. We are hoping to have the background complete and the new inspector working before the end of April.

TRUST FUND – \$ 4,486.32 + 682.51 (Turn-out gear fund) = \$5,168.83

John reported that a \$1,500 donation had been received from Fire District # 2 for 2017

John Hauss requested \$100 from the Trust Fund to provide gift cards to the winners of the fire safety poster contest; the Board approved, leaving a balance in the Trust Fund of \$4,386.32.

SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT – The Board reviewed the 2018 budget items. John advised that he needed to order the elevator door keys and fire service keys for the new inspector and wanted to order the sets requested in the 2018 Budget request at the same time; the Board agreed. The Board discussed the tablets in the 2018 Budget request; Jim Wickman asked if Fire Prevention could use the same tablets District 1 is using. John explained that the township IT Department has to approve what we use.

JOINT BOARD – COMMISSIONERS & FIRE CHIEFS – John Hauss reported there have been no phone calls or emails from the volunteer firefighter lines. Jim Wickman reported that District 1 has been looking into the billboards but that the Board feels it is not worth the \$5000.00 it will cost to do. District 1 also mentioned they are thinking of setting up an old command car as a recruitment car. Jim Wickman thinks a meeting within the next month or two is a good idea.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS – Reorganization took place. Christina Klam was elected as the Chairperson and Darrell Myers was elected as Vice Chairman.

ROUNDTABLE COMMENTARY – John Hauss reported he was appointed OEM coordinator to replace Gary Howarth since his retirement. Sherrod Middleton noted that District 3 has some new Commissioners and is reorganizing the Board. Jim Wickman suggested everyone add a “How did you hear about us?” spot on their application page for volunteer firefighters.

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PUBLIC SESSION - None

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 10, 2018, 2017 at 7:30 PM
Franklin Township Municipal Building
Large Conference Room

Respectfully submitted,

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