

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Pennington Borough Fire District No. 1

P.O. Box 387

Pennington, NJ 08534

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mark Blackwell at 7:30 p.m. at the Pennington Firehouse, following adequate notice under the Open Public Meetings Law (notice provided to the municipal clerk, posted at the Pennington Borough Municipal Building and Board offices and provided and published in the official newspaper of the district and the Hopewell Valley News.

ROLL CALL

Present by roll call were fire commissioners Mark Blackwell, Tom Timperman, Bill Naylor and John Tredrea. Also present were Chief Jim DeForte, Deputy Chief Nick Gaudio, Assistant Chief Jim Bainbridge, president Leigh Abey, accountant Joseph Carducci and attorney Barbara Griswold.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 21 meeting were approved by roll call vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Paying bills in the amount of \$29,305.48 was approved by roll call vote.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief DeForte reported there were 38 calls in October, seven of them in the borough.

NEW BUSINESS

It was agreed that \$6,000 from the education and training fund would be spent for Firehouse computer software and that another \$3,000 would be spent from that fund for a computer. The Commissioners voted 4-0 to adopt a 2015 budget of \$778,754 \$201,150 of it to be raised by Pennington property taxes. Approval of the budget in the February fire district election would result in a Pennington fire tax of four cents per \$100 of assessed value. Purchase of a new emergency service siren, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 was approved in a public election held during the meeting. There were six yes votes and zero no votes.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

