

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Pennington Borough Fire District No. 1
P.O. Box 387
Pennington, NJ 08534

MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2017
SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Blackwell at 7:30 p.m. at the Pennington Firehouse, following adequate notice under the Open Public Meetings Law (notice filed with the municipal clerk, posted at the Pennington Borough Municipal Building, Board offices and fire district web site, published in the official newspaper of the district and provided to two other papers circulating in the fire district).

ROLL CALL

Present by roll call were Commissioners Mark Blackwell, Bob DiFalco and Gene Schooley. Absent: Commissioners Brian Hofacker and Bill Meytrott. Also present was Attorney Griswold.

Chairman Blackwell announced the purpose of the meeting was to conduct beginning of year business (annual Resolutions) and to discuss existing and proposed agreements with third parties.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Resolutions: On a motion by Cmsr. Blackwell, seconded by Cmsr. DiFalco and passed, **Resolutions 2017-01 through 2017-06** were approved by roll call vote as follow:

2017-01: Adoption of a cash management plan and designating PNC Bank as depository.

2017-02: Adoption of a temporary budget of \$49,819.00.

2017-03: Designation of the Times of Trenton as the official newspaper of the fire district and the Hopewell Valley News and/or Princeton Packet as secondary publications.

2017-04: Appointment of Barbara S. Griswold as fire district attorney for 2017, at a fee of \$11,250.00, without competitive bidding.

2017-05: Appointment of Joseph Carducci of Bedard, Kurowicki & Co., as fire district auditor for 2017, at a fee not to exceed \$19,500.00, without competitive bidding.

2017-06: Appointment of Nottingham Insurance as the fire district's insurance broker of record.

Contract(s) discussion: The board discussed the shared-services contract with Hopewell Township Board of Fire Commissioners, which is awaiting action by the Township Board. They further discussed a lease agreement to be proposed to the Pennington Fire Company for premises on which the fire district apparatus and equipment is housed.

On a motion by Cmsr. Blackwell, seconded by Cmsr. Schooley and passed, **Resolution 2017-07** was approved to authorize the Chairman to present a lease agreement in the style and content presented at the meeting to the Pennington Fire Company, to negotiate terms, and thereafter when authorized in writing by a majority of the board, to sign the Lease Agreement on behalf of the board.

ADJOURNMENT

On a Motion by Cmsr. Blackwell and seconded by Cmsr. Schooley, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held at 7:30 p.m. on January 17, 2017.