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**Township of Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners**

**Public Meeting**

November 2, 2011 @ 7:00 pm

Deptford Township Fire Administration Building

**Minutes**

**A. Opening by Chairman:**

The regular monthly public meeting of the Deptford Township Fire District #1 Board of Fire Commissioners will be called to order at the Fire Administration Office, 1370 Delsea Drive, at 7:00pm. Adequate notice of this regular meeting has been provided by posting the notice in the entrance of the Fire Administration Building on October 31<sup>st</sup> and published it the following newspaper designated by the Board of Fire Commissioners on Sunday October 30, 2011: Gloucester County Times.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

**C. Invocation**

Please remain standing for a moment of silent prayer remembering those firefighters who are sick, and those who have deceased.

**D. [7:02:36 PM](#) Roll call of Commissioners/Officials in Attendance**

**Present:** Commissioner G Frank, Treasurer R MacKay, Chairman M White, Secretary J Nilsen and Commissioner R Sheairs

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Administrative Clerk D Scally and Susan Hodges

E. **7:02:46 PM Approval of Minutes.** Motion to accept minutes as written by Michael White, seconded by Joseph Nilsen.

F. **7:03:01 PM Public Portion (Agenda-related)**

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any comments or questions on specific items listed on the Agenda only. Motion to open public portion related to agenda items by Michael White, seconded by George Frank. Motion to close by Michael White, seconded by George Frank.

G. **7:03:31 PM Resolutions:**

Resolution Authorizing the Award of Contracts for Various Pieces of Equipment (2011-40). Motion to adopt by Michael White, seconded by Raymond MacKay.

Vote:

5-0

Yes:

Commissioner G Frank, Treasurer R MacKay, Chairman M White, Secretary J Nilsen and Commissioner R Sheairs

No:

None

Abstained:

None

Absent:

None

Motion UNANIMOUS PASS.

H. **Chairman's Agenda Items:**

- Reminder for physicals – about 14 days remaining
- November last month for mandatory training. The faster we get in NFRS, the faster we get everyone paid
- 921 in town, if anyone interested in seeing, can see after meeting out back

I. **Commissioner's Agenda Items:**

J. **Solicitor's Agenda Items:**

**K. 7:06:39 PM Reports:**

1. Fire Marshal's Report – read by Chairman White
2. Battalion Chief's Report – BC Pfeiffer reported on the following:
  - November 29 at 1930 hours, Cooper Street station, helicopter landing zone. Battalion Chief's set this up.
  - Resumes due tonight at 7:00pm for Lt., and BC's.
  - A lot of uniforms still need to come back in. Get them to cleaners and bring them back here. Racks are pretty empty in here. back and it's been a while, they should be back here.
3. Safety Report – Rick Thomas to give later
4. Training Report – Rick Thomas to give later

**L. 7:08:39 PM Treasurer's Report.** Given by Raymond MacKay. Motion to accept by Michael White, seconded by Joseph Nilsen.

**M. Resolution for Approval of Bills and Vouchers:**

For payment ratification, including those items purchased under state Contract and identified as such and all trust and other accounts. (Resolution 2011-39). Motion to adopt by Michael White, seconded by Bob Sheairs.

Vote: 5-0  
Yes: Commissioner G Frank, Treasurer R MacKay, Chairman M White, Secretary J Nilsen and Commissioner R Sheairs  
No: None  
Abstained: None  
Absent: None  
Motion UNANIMOUS PASS.

Battalion Chief Thomas entered and reported on the following which is part of the Battalion Chief's report gave the following reports.

Battalion Chief Report (continued from Chief Pfeiffer's):

- Uniforms not coming back as quickly as he would like
- Class B fittings complete for volunteers. Told him 2 career staff needed to be fitted
- Researching career staff nomex uniforms, has pricing from several vendors, maybe or next year's budget. 511 stuff didn't work for them. Glad we are going with Lion now. Has one vendor under \$100 for a uniform. Will be presented in spreadsheet for commission.
- Maintenance on going. Having problems with valve stems on 936. Kept losing air on the inside tires.
- Thanked everyone on behalf of BC's for Chief Newman's funeral.
- Gloucester County Fire Chief's Association has built their own stage unit. Asking permission to store stage trailer in our warehouse.

Safety Report – given by Battalion Chief Thomas:

- Safety – one accident working on investigation. Gave it to Commission tonight. Waiting on accident report from Police Department.
- Safety division will be started up again and get back to where it needs to be. Top item on Chief's agenda.
- SCBA – please hook up waist belt, please do not let them hang.

Training Report – given by Battalion Chief Thomas:

- New secretary at Gloucester County Fire Academy, some training notices are not getting out. Some classes had to be cancelled to low enrollment.
- Training on going. Doing well, moving on.

**N. [7:17:10 PM](#) Public Portion:**

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any general comments or questions on all matters related to the Fire District. Motion to open public portion by Michael White, seconded by Bob Sheairs.

Motion to close public portion by Michael White, seconded by Joseph Nilsen.

**O. New Business**

- Bids out for mobiles and portables, bids not awarded due to price. Portables – Lowest quote received is from Tactical Public Safety, 20 portables for \$7880.00 compared to well over \$14,000 on bids received. Motion to purchase the portables from Tactical, seconded by Ray MacKay.
- Mobile radio for new 921, \$3209.43 quoted from Tactical Public Safety, other bids at \$4,900 and greater. Motion to buy from Tactical, by Michael White, second Joseph Nilsen.
- Pagers were awarded under bid. Gear has not been awarded until we review it per Chairman White.

**P. [7:19:42 PM](#) Resolution for Commissioners to Convene in Executive Session.** Motion to adopt by Michael White, seconded by Raymond MacKay.

**Q. Executive Session (Commissioners)**

**R. Return to Public Session**

**S. Adjourn Meeting. Motion to adjourn meeting by Michael White, seconded by 8:30pm.**