

TOWNSHIP OF CUMRU FIRE DEPARTMENT

Call to Order:

The Board of Directors meeting was held in Room 128 (lower level) of the Township of Cumru Building on February 24, 2009 at 7:11 PM.

Members of the Board in Attendance:

X	Commissioner Rohrbach	X	District Fire Chief Crupi
	Commissioner Sacco		District Fire Chief Swartz
	Township Manager Sigworth	X	District Fire Chief Hoffert, Jr
X	Twp. Fire Chief Scott Brady		

Also in attendance: J. Brady, M. Carl, M. Wenrich, B. Snyder; M Jacko, J. Brubaker, J. Sallada, C. Arter, K. Fritz, M. Moyer, J. Garipoli, J. Seiger, T. Lucca.

Minutes: - Minutes from December 23, 2008 meeting were approved. (January meeting was cancelled due to weather.)

Guest Speaker: – No guest speaker.

Old Business:

1. **Hiring of firefighter/drivers:** All three candidates have passed the physical fitness testing and medical examination. The three firefighter/drivers started on January 5th 2009. **CLOSED**
2. **Purchase of land for new fire station in Flying Hills area.** Great Valley Consultants (GVC) has provided a preliminary plot plan for review. The plot plan shows 7 acres. Next step is for GVC to prepare site design for any zoning issues. **S. Brady.**
3. **Pursue legal separation of Social Quarters from fire operations (56, 70).** NO PROGRESS. **S. Brady, J. Dietrich and B. Crupi.**
4. **Training objective:** The Rescue Qualification sheet is in final draft. R. Swartz is reviewing the qualification sheets for Truck skills. **PROGRESS**
5. **Operational issues for the career Fire Fighter/Drivers.** The list of concerns provide by Station 42 was review with the District Chiefs. At this point, there are no new operational issues. **CLOSED.**
6. **Section 5.0 and 6.0 for review.** District Chief Crupi raised some questions in regards to the proposed draft. It was suggested that District Chief Crupi review the proposed draft with the other District Chiefs. Representing District Chief Swartz will be Assistant Chief Snyder. **PROGRESS.**

New Business:

1. **Recruitment & Retention.** District Chief Crupi asked what is happening with recruitment in the Township. This generated a lot of discussion. As a result, a Recruiting and Retention committee has been formed. The following members are part of this committee. C. Arter, J. Fritz and M. Carl.

Plan Review:

None

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1. Fire House Sub-Committee. The following are some dates associated with the laptop computers and software activities.
 - March 4th Installing Fire House Occupancy Module of 4 laptops.
 - Executed a Purchase order for mapping installation.
 - March 21st Training on laptops. 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 - Waiting on quotes for installing laptops in E42 and TW70.
 - Station 70 requested addition laptop (thru State Grant) for ET70.
2. "Governor Mifflin Fire Service Regionalization Task Force". The committee his working on a promotional flyer for recruiting. Next meetings 03/16 Shillington Fire Station.
3. Apparatus replacement for TW70. Contact has been made with the Sales Rep. from Sutphen. S. Brady received information and will distribute to the committee. In April, Reamstown FC will be taking delivery on a new SPH100 Aerial Platform.
4. J. Sallada presented the proposed Township vehicle maintenance program. The recommendation was to have the Township mechanics provide vehicle maintenance. At this point, no recommendation has been provided for pump maintenance.
5. S. Brady presented the process for using the Purchase Requisition form. This form will be available on the Township website.
6. The career personnel job assignments were distributed.
7. Heritage of Green Hills is now occupying the Heritage Center (200 Tranquility Lane and the Apartment Building (300 Tranquility Lane). Both buildings are fully sprinkler along with smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. We are currently working on a fire department site visit.
8. There will be a drill at Health South on March 31st (Tuesday) 1900. This will be for those fire companies on the initial alarm.

9. Over the next several months District Chief Ryan Swartz will be attending Baltimore City Fire Department "Probie" School. In his absent, the Training Officers from the three companies need to coordinate Township training. If you have any questions, contact S. Brady.

10. Station 56 reported that the new Hurst Rescue Tool has been installed in Rescue 56.

Next meeting:

March 24, 2009 at 7:00 PM. Township Building, Room 128.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM