

**MOUNT LAUREL FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

October 19, 2015
Fire Department Headquarters Station
Meeting Minutes #15

IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Commissioner Cornue
2. Commissioner Ridenour
3. Commissioner Roura
4. Commissioner Shestack
5. Commissioner Hamilton
6. Chief of Department Colucci
7. Deputy Chief Burnett
8. Administrator Jones
9. Solicitor Braslow

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Shestack at 8:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence observed.

Public announcements were read by Commissioner Hamilton.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Resolution #2015-51 "Provisional Promotion of Christopher R. Santone to the Position of Battalion Chief for the Year 2015". Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.
- Resolution #2015-52 "Promotion of Daniel J. Opizzi to the Position of Captain for the Year 2015". Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Ridenour. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.
- Resolution #2015-53 "Promotion of Martin J. Gaynor, Jr. to the Position of Lieutenant for the Year 2015". Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Ridenour. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.
- Resolution #2015-54 "Resolution of the Commissioners of Fire District #1 in the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, New Jersey Confirming the Findings of the New Jersey Local Finance Board". Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the resolution read by title that was seconded by Commissioner Ridenour. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board on a recorded voice vote.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

Commissioner Roura reported that he had reviewed the monthly bills for October and noted that 2 big items had been paid – the annual payment for the 2011 Apparatus Capital Lease and a construction project progress payment. Commissioner Ridenour made a motion to approve monthly bills totaling \$1,075,064.17 that was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

MONTHLY REPORT BY ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Jones had nothing to add to his monthly report and there were no questions or comments from the Board.

BOARD QUESTIONS FOR THE CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT:

Chief of Department Colucci had nothing to add to his monthly report and there were no questions or comments from the Board.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Labor Management: Commissioner Cornue referred to the Stipend program and asked the Board if everyone had a chance to review it prior to the meeting. Several Board members stated that they were very pleased with the final document and Solicitor Braslow also stated that it was very well done and simple to understand. Commissioner Ridenour made a motion to approve Administrative Policy #04-044 'Volunteer Stipend Program' that was seconded by Commissioner Roura. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Building and Grounds: Commissioner Ridenour reported that things are moving along with the construction projects and that he will have more to report at the next meeting.

OTHER MATTERS:

Chief of Department Colucci congratulated our Junior Members and their advisors for a job well done in the annual County Competition. He also thanked everyone for their help with the Fire Prevention Week Open House, which was very well attended.

COMMENTS OF FIRE DISTRICT PROFESSIONALS:

None.

COMMENTS OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS:

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

Resolution #2015-55 "Closing of Meeting Pursuant to Open Public Meetings Act". Commissioner Roura made a motion to approve the resolution that was seconded by Commissioner Ridenour. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

**THE OPEN SESSION ENDED AT 8:12 PM.
A CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT 8:13 PM.
THE CLOSED SESSION ENDED AT 8:17 PM.**

Commissioner Ridenour made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Commissioner Cornue. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:22 PM.