

# CITY OF BEVERLY

## Fire District No. 1

Board of Fire Commissioners

June 15, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Kevin Mickle under the Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law c.295, Public Laws of 1979 with a salute to the Flag of the USA on June 15, 2015 at 7:30 PM at Beverly City Hall, 446 Broad Street, Beverly, NJ.

ROLL CALL and the following members were present: ROGERS, BENT, S.  
RICHARDS, MICKLE  
ABSENT: N. RICHARDS

ALSO PRESENT: COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT BEVERLY  
MORGAN, COMMISSION ATTORNEY KATE SENDZIK HAINES

MINUTES: Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Mr. Bent, to approve the Minutes for the regular and Executive Session meeting of May 18, 2015.

Ayes: Rogers, Bent, S. Richards, Mickle

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ms. Rogers moved, seconded by Mr. Bent, to accept the Treasurer's Report. Our insurance bill has been lowered to reflect fewer volunteers.

Ayes: Rogers, Bent, S. Richards, Mickle

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT: Fire Official Johnson submitted a written report. The new computer was briefly discussed.

CHIEF' REPORT: Chief Johnson submitted a written and verbal report.

OLD BUSINESS: Contract talks will be discussed in Executive Session.

The presidents of the 2 Fire Companies, Cornell Hawkins and Jack Edge, were in attendance as requested. There was a discussion of manpower problems and some possible solutions and incentives were discussed. The suggestions included monetary incentives (\$ 1 a fire), some kind of small pension system, recruitment programs and duty crews. The commission will be exploring different financial incentives.

NEW BUSINESS: After some discussion, Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Ms. Rogers, that a letter be sent in support of the pending state legislation allowing and setting up guidelines for the merger of fire commissions.

PUBLIC SESSION: The application process was discussed after a question from Mr. Hawkins. We do not pay for application physicals. Mr. Hawkins also discussed the meeting/call conflict.

Chairmen Mickle declared the public session closed.

Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Mr. Bent for the payment of bills.  
Ayes: Bent, S. Richards, Rogers, Mickle

Ms. Rogers moved, seconded by Mr. Bent, to pass Resolution 2015-6-1 in order to go to Executive Session to discuss contract matters and personnel issues.  
Ayes: Rogers, Bent, S. Richards, Mickle

Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Mr. Bent, to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Mickle declared the meeting adjourned.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Kevin Mickle

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Charlene Rogers

