

MINUTES OF THE BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: 9 /19/23 _____

TIME: 8 PM _____

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Buena Vista Township Fire District #2 East Vineland, meeting at the East Vineland Fire House, was called to order by the Chairman David Ricci _____

ROLL CALL:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

David Ricci	Present: <u>x</u> _____	Absent: _____
Ronald Ruggeri	Present: <u>x</u> _____	Absent: _____
Wayne Corsiglia	Present: <u>x</u> _____	Absent: _____
Mark Panco	Present: <u>x</u> _____	Absent: _____
Lonnie Ricci	Present: <u>x</u> _____	Absent: _____

Alternate:

_____ Present: _____ Absent _____

Guests Present:

Deputy Chief Brad Ruggeri

Public Notice of the meeting was sent to The Press of Atlantic City for publication as prescribed by law. All requirements of the open public meeting act have been met for this meeting in compliance with the Sunshine Law (Public Law Chapter 175).

READING OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

ADDITIONS:None

CORRECTIONS:None

MOTION:M.Panco _____ 2ND MOTION:D.Ricci _____

CORRESPONDENCE: None

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Motion to review and approve all bills submitted for payment
Total amount of bills paid was (\$96,454.65)
Ending balance checking \$ 219,415.72 CD’s None
Capital Reserve Balance (\$274,343.00)
Available cash balance after reserve checking account \$(54,927.28)
Ending balance LOSAP \$ 51,625.05

Motion: W.Corsiglia

2ND Motion: L.Ricci

List of paid bills and treasurer’s report is attached.

OLD BUSINESS:

M.Panco reported that he is still waiting for Mays Landing’s mutual aid agreement.

M.Corsiglia reported that driver training still needs to be done.

M.Corsiglia reported that we will service the SCBA compressor on our own.

M.Corsiglia reported that he is still waiting for estimates on the F-1222’s new vinyl lettering.

M.Panco reported that the chief wants to purchase a 4-gas sniffer type gas meter (it will detect other gases which are different that our current meter doesn’t. It will be somewhere between \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00. Motion By M.Panco to purchase it 2nd by D.Ricci.

D.Ricci reported that the short sleeve golf shirts for the class B uniforms are almost done.

D.Ricci reported that Aduffo painting has not started on the resealing of the outside brick work to stop the efferervesce, it should be soon.

D.Ricci reported that he had spoken with John D’Augstino regarding changing our insurance to something other than Statewide JIF through the township. He will get back to us with some pricing. As of tonight’s meeting he has not gotten back to us. D.Ricci will call him.

OLD Business con't

D.Ricci reported that Vito's Seal coating finished the seal coating today and the parking space striping will be done next week.

M.Panco reported that he spoken with a company called East Coast Flag for the flagpole repairs. They stated that it could cost between \$750.00 to \$1,890.00 for the repairs depending what they find. Motion by D.Ricci to have them repair it but not to exceed \$2,000.00 2nd by R,Ruggeri.

M.Panco advised that the new 3" hose is ordered for \$932.00 (Deval).

M.Panco reported that he had a quote from Bill Hall to repair our dumpster it will be \$785.00. Motion by M.Panco to have him repair it 2nd by R.Ruggeri

M.Panco reported that annual hose and ladder testing will be done on 9/21/23 for \$1,800.00

M.Panco reported that our gear washer had now been repaired by the Fowler Co.

D.Ricci reported that our monthly office cleaning service has increased to \$280.00 monthly it changed once they started cleaning.

D.Ricci reported that Martini & Martini are still working on our 2022 audit.

M.Panco reported that F-1221 and F1223 were serviced this week at Berco for \$1,344.80

NEW BUSINESS:

M.Panco reported that we can use 4 sets of new firefighting boots; MES has our same boots now up to \$600.00 per pair.(much higher) has another quote from Deval for \$410.00 per pair. Deval will send a sample and we will see if it works for us.

M.Corsiglia had a quote from Service tire Truck Centers to replace a 6 tires for \$5,650.000 Motion to replace them by M.Panco 2nd by D.Ricci (note: it will take about 8 weeks to get them from Michelin)

M.Panco advised that we have 3 SCBA bottles going out of date in Oct 2023. We have a quote from DeVal for \$1,325.00 each. Motion to purchase by R.Ruggeri 2nd L.Ricci.

M.Panco our lawn service (Mid Atlantic) they have not been doing what are supposed to do regarding spraying. Fertilizer etc. He has been trying to call him and he never gets a call back. He will look for a new lawn care service.

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New Business Con't

M.Panco reported that pump tests will be done soon for F-1221 and F-1223 cost will be \$700.00 each. Motion by M.Panco to have it done 2nd by R.Ruggeri

A discussion was held on setting up a Junior Firefighter Auxiliary Program following State Guidelines. Motion by D.Ricci to set it up with guidance from Statewide INS Co (JIF) 2nd by W.Corsiglia.

A discussion was held on the cell phone alerting/radio service on the possibility of using that instead of a \$400.00 pager. The cost to add someone is only \$72.00 per member. We will discuss further.

M.Panco reported that the a/c has not been working in the Chief's office radio room and bathrooms. Ambient Comforts was called and they are working on it.

M.Panco stated the all of the rescue tools need their yearly service which will be about \$1,000.00 Motion by M.Panco to have them serviced 2nd R.Ruggeri.

M.Panco stated that all 8 of our firefighting foam pails are unusable due to the finding by the Federal Gov't that it causes cancer. New safe pails will be \$243.00 per pail. Motion by M.Panco to buy 8 pails 2nd by D.Ricci. Note; old /bad foam will be turned in to the county for proper disposal.

M.Corsiglia requested that we replace the headlights on F-1222 (they are 22 yrs old) with new state of the art LED'S cost will about \$1,500.00. Motion by M.Panco to buy them 2nd by D.Ricci

M.Corsiglia requested by purchase an air-hammer kit for our new truck; it usually sells for \$1,000.00 but is on sale for \$650.00. Motion by M.Panco to purchase it 2nd By D.Ricci.

M.Corsiglia stated that our 25 year old pressure washer has quit working. Replacement will be around \$2,100.00 Motion by M.Panco to buy a new one 2nd R.Ruggeri

A Discussion was held on maybe establishing a stipend program for 2024 for the active members that respond to fire calls; we need a better way to attract members to get them to come out. We will discuss in the coming months as we work on our 2024 budget.

Resolution 11-23 was read and approved by all members present, establishing the compensation for members of the Board of Fire Commissioners. Secretary will receive \$550.00 for 2023 and the Losap coordinator/commissioner will receive \$550.00 for 2023. (See attached) A copy of this resolution will be sent to the township clerk for municipality adoption.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEES: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM:
On motion of D.Ricci seconded by M.Panco

Respectfully Submitted: Wayne Corsiglia Secretary
Secretary

