

BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 1
179 S. Bloomingdale Road
Bloomington, IL 60108

Minutes of the Regular
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
January 21, 2016

Meeting called to order by Chairman Gray at 3:15 P.M.

On a call of the roll, the following commissioners were present: Gray, Scalafini.

Commissioner Flood arrived at 1555.

Also present: Chief Janus and Trustee DiBuono.

PUBLIC FORUM: None

CHIEFS REPORT:

Monthly Report: 359 Responses for month of December 2015. Ended the year with a total of 4,232 calls, a decline of 266 calls from last year. Calls of interest included a structure fire in Glen Ellyn where BC Wilson served as the Plans Chief, a CO incident where our personnel performed well, and a traumatic injury where a patient was given excellent care following a fall down some stairs. Chiefs and FM Kostal assisted with the Glendale Heights Senior Luncheon and served food to residents as part of Mayor Jackson's Senior Staff. Chief Officers attended a Safety Officer class on hoarding in residences. DC Kaderabek was involved in the interview process for the new Glen Oaks EMS Coordinator. Training committee provided 72 drills over 31 days accounting of 740 hours of training. Candidates Spejcher, Acosta and Rexilius completed their 1 year probation and were awarded their helmet shields at a small ceremony in front of the Fire/Police Memorial on Old Towne. We hosted the MABAS 12 Dive drill at Fairfield Lakes. Lt Lettenmair was appointed at the MABAS 12 Assistant Divemaster. We are still working toward implementing Target Solutions as our training software platform, Lt Emody has been working on this. New thermostats were installed at Station 21 to help control the temperature fluctuations. Carpets were cleaned at both stations. Fire Prevention completed over 100 inspections and continue to be busy with new construction and build-outs of existing properties. A list of personnel was provided who had perfect attendance for 2015. Many of the shifts made donations to the Christmas Sharing Tree and area food banks. We continue to receive letters of appreciation and positive feedback for our operations. Intern Steven Gray spent his Christmas Break from college volunteering as an intern and worked on new policy manual (Lexipol), digital signage and many other administrative projects. Lt McClimon continues on the implementation of Firehouse Scheduler.

Chief reported on updated bylaws change for Northern Illinois Alliance of Fire Protection Districts. Commissioners may now serve on the Board of Directors of the NIAFPD.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Scalafini moved, Gray seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2015 Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meeting. ROLL CALL: Scalafini, yes; Gray, yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rules & Regulations.

The Rules and Regulations of the BOFC have not been updated since 2012. The Board will review them in 2016.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Hire Firefighter/Paramedic Update.

The candidate is processing and has a tentative start date of February 8, 2016.

Background Check Vendor.

Chief Janus reported on background investigation process and cost analysis.

Motion made by Gray seconded by Scalafini to empower Chief Janus to select an appropriate vendor for background investigations. ROLL CALL: Scalafini, yes; Gray, yes.

Candidate Interviews Discussion.

Chief Janus reported that the previous BOFC did not interview candidates and discussed some challenges with the process.

Motion made by Gray seconded by Scalafini to empower Chief Janus to conduct an interview as part of the background/security check process. ROLL CALL: Scalafini, yes; Gray, yes.

Upcoming Promotion Exam.

Chief Janus reported that contract negotiations are ongoing and once the promotion language is settled, we will be conducting some promotion exams.

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Open Meeting Acts Training.

Chief Janus reminded the BOFC of the requirements of OMA training and asked that certificates get forwarded to Debbie.

Resignation of FFPM Wright.

Chief Janus received a letter of resignation from FFPM Wright indicating that his last shift will be February 18, 2016 due to personal reasons.

Motion made by Gray, seconded by Flood to accept the letter of resignation from FFPM Wright.

ROLL CALL: Gray, yes; Scalafini, yes; Flood, yes.

ADJOURN:

Gray moved, Scalafini seconded a motion to adjourn at 3:59 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Scalafini-yes, Gray-yes, Flood- yes.