

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**  
**HOPEWELL BOROUGH DISTRICT NO.1**

**August 9, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Cmsr. Morehouse

Cmsr. Evans

Cmsr. Myers

**ABSENT:** Cmsr. Bovenizer

Cmsr. Davies

**Call to Order:** The scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:30pm by Chairman Morehouse following proof of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was given through the Annual Meeting Notice and was filed with the municipal clerk, posted at the municipal building, the board's office, the fire district website, and advertised in the official newspapers of the district as required by law.

**Minutes:**

Motioned by Commissioner Evans and seconded by Commissioner Myers to approve the meeting minutes of July 12, 2017. Motion passed with two absences.

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**Treasurer's Report: Resolution 17-28**

A copy of the treasurer's report was made available to each commissioner with a list and description of the bills to be paid. The Chief Financial Officer previously certified that there were sufficient encumbered funds in the 2016 budget and the 2017 budget to pay the bills and designated the account to which each would be charged.

1. Bills were submitted to be paid from the 2016 budget of \$1,123.47 and the 2017 budget of \$5,870.37 including an insurance payment to AmeriHealth on July 21,, 2017 for \$3,484.60, and a payment to Lincoln Financial on July 22, 2017 for \$1,123.47 for a total of \$10,478.44. Motioned by Commissioner Evans and seconded by Commissioner Myers to pay the bills as submitted with a roll call vote.
2. The list of encumbrances from the 2016 budget and the 2017 budget was given to the Board for review.

Treasurer Evans spoke to the Hopewell Borough Administrator regarding the delay in the tax payments for 2017. The matter should be taken care of and the check should be issued soon.

**Hopewell Fire Department Administration:**

No report given.

**Ladies Auxiliary-**

No report given as the Ladies are on vacation for the summer months.

**EMU Chief Report:**--There were 26 calls for the month of July with 0 scratches. The personnel issues were discussed as to staffing of the trucks. 2 members will be graduating from EMT class and 3 more members are taking the class at Pennington First Aid Squad. Chief Butler will discuss membership numbers with the fire department at the next meeting and Chairman Morehouse will set up a meeting to discuss the issue with Chairman Chipowsky from the Hopewell Township Board.

**Fire Chief Report:**— There were 18 calls in July. The fire company is looking forward to instituting an all call for Hopewell Valley which will shorten the amount of tones Central has to transmit. Paint samples for the Rescue truck were reviewed, approved and sent back to the manufacturer.

**Fire Official Report:** On file and a copy was provided to the Commissioners.

**Committee Reports**—There was no report regarding insurance.

**LOSAP**—Members of the Board were approached about changing the point system for LOSAP. Chairman Morehouse state the board would look to the fire department as to whether or not to change the point system. The Board will need to formally approve and adopt any changes.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the board, on a motion by Cmsr. Evans and seconded by Cmsr. Myers approved the meeting adjourned at 8:16. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board will be held on September 13, 2017.

