

April 6, 2010

## MINUTES

A special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, was held on the above date at Hose Company No. 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Shelley with Commissioners Schlindwein, Schuster, Fisher & Bixby present along with Administrative Clerk Williams.

Chairman Shelley opened the meeting by reading the following "Public Notice" of this special meeting that was published in the Burlington County Times on April 2, 2010 and posted as pursuant to the "*Open Public Meetings Act*".

Notice is hereby give by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Moorestown Township Fire District No. 1, that a Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room in the Emergency Services Building, 261 West Main Street, Moorestown, New Jersey.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to reconsider the award for One (1) Fire Engine with a 2000 GPM Pump and Foam System. A copy of the bid report is available for public inspection in the office of the Fire District Administrator located at 261 West Main Street, Moorestown, New Jersey.

Following that, Chairman Shelley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag after which he indicated the emergency exits.

### BUSINESS:

Chairman Shelley commented that the Board had been asked by the District's solicitor to consider revisiting the awarding of the bid as there was a procedural error at the time. We have done so and met the stipulation that a bid report be made available for public inspection 48 hours prior to the awarding of the bid.

Chairman Shelley opened the floor for questions about the bid report. There were none.

Chairman Shelley explained in detail the contents of the following letter from Chief Anthony S. Green that was addressed to the Board of Fire Commissioners and dated April 6, 2010.

I have reviewed the list of "Exceptions/Clarifications" submitted as part of the bid proposal of Pierce Manufacturing Company, dated March 18, 2010 with the exception of items #1 and #2 which were reviewed by Administrator Chesner and Board Chairman Karl Shelley.

Items #3 through #20 were mostly clarifications in nature or providing precise measurements with the exception of item #4 which eliminates two small compartments which in turn would eliminate the fold-down jump seats in the crew cab. In this case, we select to keep the jump seats and accept the #14 exception.

In my opinion, the exceptions listed by Pierce Mfg. meet the intentions of the bid specification and should be accepted as part of the proposal.

Chairman Shelley asked if there were any questions on the exceptions. There were none.

Chief Green arrived at 7:36 p.m.

Commissioner Fisher entered a motion that Pierce Manufacturing Co. be awarded the bid and that the bid be funded with reserve funds and funds from the Supplemental Fire Services Act. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schuster. Chief Green asked for clarification on the wording of the motion. Commissioner Fisher explained that in the event that the bid amount should exceed the amount we have in reserve, he wanted to specify where the additional funding would come from.

There being no other questions on the motion, the bid for the new fire engine was awarded to Pierce Manufacturing Co. on a roll-call vote 5-0.

On a motion by Commissioner Bixby, seconded by Commissioner Schlindwein, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles H. Schuster  
Secretary/Clerk