

**7:00:18 PM Township of Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners**  
**Public Meeting**

January 3, 2018 @ 7:00 pm  
Deptford Township Fire Administration Building

**Minutes**

**A. Opening by Chairman:**

The regular monthly public meeting of the Deptford Township Fire District #1 Board of Fire Commissioners will be called to order at the Fire Administration Office, 1370 Delsea Drive, at 7:00pm. Adequate notice of this regular meeting has been provided by posting the notice in the entrance of the Fire Administration Building January 2, 2018 and published it the following newspaper designated by the Board of Fire Commissioners on Sunday December 31, 2017: South Jersey Times.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

**C. Invocation**

Please remain standing for a moment of silent prayer remembering those firefighters who are sick, and those who have deceased.

**D. 7:01:09 PM Roll call of Commissioners/Officials in Attendance**

Chairman Michael White, Treasurer Raymond MacKay, Secretary Joseph Nilsen, Commissioners George Frank and Robert Sheairs. Also in attendance Solicitor Peter Frattarelli and Administrative Clerk Donna Scally.

**E. 7:01:19 PM Approval of Minutes.** Motion by Chairman White to approve minutes as written, seconded by George Frank.

**F. 7:01:32 PM Public Portion (Agenda-related)**

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any comments or questions on specific items listed on the Agenda only. Motion to open public portion (agenda related) by Chairman White, seconded by Joe Nilsen.

Motion to close by Chairman White, seconded by Ray MacKay.

**G. Resolutions:**

**H. [7:01:54 PM](#) Chairman's Agenda Items:**

- a. Healthy and Safe New Year

**I. Commissioner's Agenda Items:**

**J. Solicitor's Agenda Items:**

**K. [7:02:10 PM](#) Reports:**

1. Fire Marshal Report – read by Chairman White
2. Battalion Chief's Report - no report
3. Safety Report – given by Bill Beckett
  - Last meeting was in October, as there were no meetings in November and December. Will meet again last Wednesday of January and continue this practice for meeting from this point forward
  - All battalions reviewed this year w/some inspection issues found. Will be reviewing the issues
  - Revising inspection check sheet
  - Will provide training for all personnel to improve safety skills and making everyone more aware of what happens on the Fire ground and what we should be looking for in stations
  - Would like to have safety inspection sheet information added to ProPhoenix – will meet with R. Burkhardt for this
4. Training Report – no report
5. Research and Develop Committee Report – given by Joe Nilsen
  - No report given other than they met December 11<sup>th</sup>

**L. [7:05:19 PM](#) Treasurer's Report.** Read by Commissioner MacKay. Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Shears.

**M. [7:06:00 PM](#) Resolution for Approval of Bills and Vouchers:**

For payment ratification, including those items purchased under state Contract and identified as such and all trust and other accounts. (2018-01). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank.

**N. [7:09:47 PM](#) Public Portion:**

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any general comments or questions on all matters related to the Fire District. Motion to open public portion by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs.

Rick Thomas – DFD has six members being awarded lifesaving metals at banquet at Auletto's. on January 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. Nick Spross, Anthony Steigerwald, David McIntyre, Chris Koller and himself. Thanked the Board for purchasing 2 tickets for each recipient receiving awards so they can bring their significant other. Deptford will be well represented for awards at this year's banquet.

FF I graduation will be January 18<sup>th</sup>, honor guard will be present there. It's nice that the award-winning honor guard will finally be used for something other than Wildwood. Thanked board for allowing staff to participate in Frank Basile's funeral with the flag flies. Made impression on family.

Chairman White questioned what time is banquet and questioned if tickets can be purchased at door? 7:00pm and yes per Chief Thomas. Chief Thomas stated that they can reach out to him and he would get the tickets for them.

Motion to close by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs.

**O. New Business**

**P. [7:12:01 PM](#) Resolution for Commissioners to Convene in Executive Session.**

Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Ray MacKay.

**Q. Executive Session (Commissioners)**

**R. Return to Public Session**

**S. Adjourn Meeting 9:05pm**