

March 23, 2015

FLORENCE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
WORKSHOP MEETING MARCH 23, 2015

Board Chairman Charles Bauer called the workshop meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Florence Township Fire District No. 1 to order at 6:30pm. After saluting the flag, the following statement of compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was read by the chairman:

“This meeting is being held in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting has been sent to and published in the Burlington County Times and the Register News. It has also been published at the township municipal building and on the fire district’s website.”

**ROLL CALL: Present** – W. Berry, C. Bauer, B. Mayer, R. Schoen

**Absent** – A. Popso

**RESOLUTION 2015-13 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM MEETING**

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Mayer to adopt Resolution 2015-13 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM MEETING**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Berry – Yes; Commissioner Bauer – Yes; Commissioner Mayer – Yes; Commissioner Schoen – Yes; Motion carried 4-0.

**CLOSED SESSION at 18:33 hours:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Mayer to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously at 19:17 hours.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Mayer and seconded by Commissioner Berry to approve building repairs and renovations not to exceed \$6,500.00 for the floor in the radio room. Motion carried unanimously.

**GOOD OF THE BOARD:**

1. Commissioner Mayer indicated everyone did a good job at the fire tonight. It was a nice save.
2. Commissioner Bauer spoke to the attorney about Chief Mullen’s injury and light duty. There currently is no policy for “light duty”. Chief Mullen’s responsibilities are 80% administrative and 20% Fire/EMT related. According to the union, there is no light duty for a FF/EMT. Chief Mullen is not in the union because he is considered a confidential employee. This policy would only be for Chief Mullen. Commissioner Mayer stated that she feels light duty should be for all, or for none. Marc, Todd, Carol all have light duty areas in addition to their FF/EMT titles. Commissioner Bauer is approving that Chief Mullen be allowed to return to work, light duty, to do his clerical work, working his full hours using no sick time. Commissioner Berry recommends that a light duty policy be created, even if it states there is no light duty for firefighters/EMTs.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Mayer and seconded by Commissioner Berry to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carolyn H. Taylor