Public Safety Commission
FIRE DEPARTMENT
October 21, 2019
MINUTES
Community Room – Middletown Police Department

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Santangelo called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Commissioner Carl Chisem
Commissioner Deb Kleckowski
Commissioner Phil Pessina
Commissioner Robert Santangelo

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Commissioner Mary Bartolotta

STAFF PRESENT:
Fire Chief Robert Kronenberger
Deputy Chief Al Leary

STAFF ABSENT

PUBLIC PRESENT
None present

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Commissioner Santangelo asked for approval of the minutes from the last meeting held on September 16, 2019. Commissioner Chisem so moved, Commissioner Kleckowski seconded, and all voted in favor.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

• None

5. CORRESPONDENCE

➤ Letter of thanks from Manchester Fire Department – Deputy Chief Leary sat on the oral panels for promotionals for Lieutenant
6. **MONTHLY REPORT**

- Monthly report given by Chief Kronenberger:
  - Call comparison:
    - Little slow, 4.8% down – most of the reduction in medicals, almost up 7 ½% for the year
    - 41 calls to Wesleyan
      - Fire Marshals put 11 hours in and the Alarms Division did 11 hours
  - Training:
    - Concentrated a lot on getting Engine 1 into service
      - Every shift road tested & pump tested the truck
    - Conducted in house EMT refresher
    - Worked on rigging the baskets from the ladder truck
    - Rope rescue training conducted and this week is trench training week
  - Open House & Dedication of Mile Lane is this Thursday – Chief Kronenberger extended an invitation to all to attend
    - Commissioner Santangelo asked about the training school status, Chief Kronenberger stated that there is bond money on the table but unsure if it will get released
  - Emergency purchase coming to the Council at the November meeting:
    - Payment to Cahill – incurred from fire incident at the Middlesex Pool & Tennis Club
      - Before fire investigation could begin building had to be pumped to remove water, water removal was outside the water department’s scope and they brought Cahill in
        - Bill for $2200.00 received the following day from Cahill which was turned over to the property owner who has failed to pay
        - Legal recommended Fire to pay with the hopes that the money will be recouped
        - Commissioner Kleckowski made a motion to approve the emergency purchase, Commissioner Chisem seconded, and all voted in favor

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

- None

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Chief Kronenberger thanked the commission for all the support given to him, the Fire Department, and Emergency Management over the years. Members of the commission commended the Fire Department as well as the Police Department for all they do and for the great departments that they are

9. **Monthly Summary of Action Taken by the Telecommunications Committee**

- No October meeting held of the Telecommunications Commission - cancelled
10. **Other Matters Not on the Agenda:**
   - Note

11. **Public Hearing Reopened – Other Matters**

12. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**
   - Ribbon cutting & Dedication to be held on Thursday, October 24th @ 6:00 p.m. – all invited
     - Correspondence
       - None

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

    Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

    Respectfully submitted,
    Lori Ruffino
    Recording Secretary

**NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 18, 2019**
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Fire Department
Community Room – Middletown Police Department
December 16, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ATTENDANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
   o October 21, 2019

4. PUBLIC HEARING – MATTERS ON AGENDA ONLY

5. **FIRE DEPARTMENT**
   Correspondence:
   ➢ Note of thanks from Middlesex Chamber of Commerce

   MONTHLY REPORT
   o Call Comparison

   OLD BUSINESS
   o None

   NEW BUSINESS
   o 3 year CNR review

6. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**
   o Correspondence:
     ➢ Letter of thanks from the Westfield Community Celebration 2019 Event Chair
     o Monthly report

7. MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ACTION TAKEN BY TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE:
   o December meeting minutes included in packet

8. PUBLIC HEARING REOPENED — OTHER MATTERS

9. ADJOURNMENT