

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
March Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: March 8, 2016

Meeting was called to order 7:15 PM

Present were Arnold (Spike) English X, Jerome Irick X,
Jeff Pace X, Tony Abriola X.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the March Commissioners Meeting was closed at 7:15 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Emilio Maradino resigned as a commissioner for personal reasons.
Commissioners discussed possible replacements.

Commissioners decided to run work sessions the 4th Tuesday of every month now through August due to the volume of issues that need to be handled. It will be determined after the August session if they need to be extended.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Spike to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the March Commissioners Meeting was ended at 7:25 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Spike,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
July 24, 2018 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: July 24, 2018

Meeting was called to order 7:45 PM

Present were Arnold (Spike) English X, Jerome Irick X,
Jeff Pace X, Tony Abriola X, John Gallo X, Joe Drogo
and Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)
(1) et seq.), the open portion of the July 24, 2018 Commissioners Meeting
was closed at 7:45 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that
were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

The hall was dirty for the July 21st rental. There was discussion with Joe
Drogo to find out why that happened. Joe must review the calendar and be
aware of when a rental is taking place. He needs to clean the building before
the rental date. The commissioners will be rewriting the janitor's job
description. The rental fees will also be adjusted.

A motion was made by Jerry and seconded by Tony to close this portion of
the meeting. The closed portion of the July 24, 2018 Commissioners
Meeting was ended at 8:30 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Jerry, seconded by Tony,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
August 13, 2019 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: Aug 13, 2019

Meeting was called to order: 8:00 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, John Gallo X, and Steve LaPorta X.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the August 13, 2019 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:00 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Discussed the member that is being paid to take care of the Commissioner website. Since the start of 2019 he hasn't been around much. The Commissioner agreed that Jeff Pace & Steve LaPorta would take over the website and his paid services would no longer be needed. Steve will speak to him about the transition.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jeff to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the August 13, 2019 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:05 pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Jeff,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
August 27, 2019 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: Aug 27, 2019

Meeting was called to order: 8:05 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, John Gallo X, and Steve LaPorta X
and Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the August 27, 2019 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:05 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

A letter to Ed Rock outlining the change in the website administer was discussed. Steve will be mailing the letter certified.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jeff to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the August 13, 2019 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:15 pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Steve, seconded by Jeff.

Respectfully submitted _____
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
August 13, 2019 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: Sept 10, 2019

Meeting was called to order: 8:00 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, John Gallo X, and Steve LaPorta X.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the Sept 10, 2019 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:00 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Rita requested a pay increase. The commissioners agreed upon a \$1.50 an hour increase starting Jan 1, 2020. Her new rate will be \$23.50 per hour.

A motion was made by Jerry and seconded by Tony to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the Sept 10, 2019 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:20 pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Jerry, seconded by Tony,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
February 25, 2020 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: February 25, 2020

Meeting was called to order 8:00 PM

Present were: Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola ____, John Gallo X, Steve LaPorta X,
and Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the February 25, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:00 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Discussed LOSAP

A motion was made by Jeff and seconded by John to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the February 25, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:40 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Jeff, seconded by John,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
May 12, 2020 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: May 12, 2020

Meeting was called to order 8:00 PM

Present were: Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Steve LaPorta X, and
Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the May 12, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:00 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Housekeeping & the Janitor was discussed. A motion was made by Tony, seconded by Jerry to suspend Joe Drogo's janitorial duties until COVID-19 is no longer an issue. Then his duties will be revisited. American Restoration & Cleaning will continue to clean the firehouse twice a week and the fire trucks after a call, until further notice.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jeff to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the May 12, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:30 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Jeff,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
June 9, 2020 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: June 9, 2020

Meeting was called to order 8:00 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Steve LaPorta X, and
Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the June 9, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 8:00_pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Filling the vacant commissioner position was discussed.

Jerry nominated Jim Abba and Tony seconded the nomination.

Jeff nominated Justin Lilla, but no one seconded the nomination.

After further discussion, a role call on the motion to have Jim Abba fill the vacant commissioner's position was taken.

Roll Call:	Jerry	Yes
	Jeff	No
	Tony	Yes
	Steve	Yes

Motion was carried.

Steve will get the paperwork to officially fill the position from Rich Braslow.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jerry to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the June 9, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:25 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Jerry,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
June 23, 2020 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: June 23, 2020

Meeting was called to order 6:20 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Steve LaPorta X, Jim Abba X,
Tony Habersham, Rich Braslow, Neil Braslow,
and Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the June 23rd, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 6:20pm, with Resolution 2020-014 so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Discussion with Rich Braslow on how to separate a member from the fire company who had inappropriate behavior with a minor. The incident did not happen on MFC grounds and did not happen during a MFC event. To the Chief's knowledge a police report was not made by the minor's mother. Rich suggested asking the member to take a leave of absence or to resign. If he refuses to do either let the member know that he cannot continue to Participate in fire company functions until the matter is closed.

Discussion with Rich Braslow on LOSAP:

- The LOSAP point schedule is determined by each individual Fire company.
- A person must be an active volunteer to receive LOSAP

- The definition of an Active Volunteer is determined by each individual fire company.
- At the direction of Rich, the definition of member was read aloud and presented as defined in the current MFC Bylaws.
- The LOSAP program can be amended by a Hearing.
- Rich can assist with Active Member Bylaw revisions.
- Fire District gets final say on firematic issues not the Fire Company.
- Fire District needs to vote new members in.
- A Public Hearing and a resolution are needed to amend the LOSAP points system.
- Additional documents and follow up prepared by Rich may be attached to these close session minutes.

A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Tony to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the June 23, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 7:45 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Jim, seconded by Tony,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
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July 14, 2020 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: July 14, 2020

Meeting was called to order

Present were: Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Steve LaPorta X, and
Jim Abba.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the July 14, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was closed so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Reviewed and discussed an email (attached) from Rich Braslow regarding LOSAP.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jim to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the July 14, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 9:00 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Jim,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
July 28, 2020 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: July 28, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 7:20pm

Present were: Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Steve LaPorta X, and
Jim Abba.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the July 28, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was closed so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Reviewed and discussed were an email (attached) from Rich Braslow regarding LOSAP. An email (attached) from the DCA regarding LOSAP. A letter (attached) from Don Huber from the DCA regarding LOSAP.

Jerry spoke to Ron Ciralo ,who was the chairman of the commissioners at the time LOSAP was started, and he stated that all commissioners were to be part of the MFC and should receive LOSAP.

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jim to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the July 28, 2020 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 7:45 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Jim,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
February 23, 2021 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: February 23, 2021

Meeting was called to order 7:55 PM

Present were: Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Brian Ewan X, and Steve LaPorta X.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the February 23, 2021 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 7:55 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

Fire Run Cards & Fire Response Plan

A motion was made by Tony and seconded by Jerry to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the February 23, 2021 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 9:12 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Tony, seconded by Jerry,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
April 13, 2021 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: April 13, 2021

Meeting was called to order 7:50 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X (phone),
Tony Abriola X, Brian Ewan X, and Steve LaPorta X and
Rita Shicunoff.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the April 13, 2021 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 7:50 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

PEOSHA anonymous complaints against the MFC.

Steve addressed the commissioners:

- 1) Rich Braslow is aware of the complaints
- 2) Steve supplied James Revak of the PEOSHA Safety Division with all requested documents for the resolution of the informal complaint. The complaints were determined to be unfounded, and no further action is needed at this time.
- 3) Steve spoke with Patrick Bost of the PEOSHA Health Division. Steve will supply him with scanned copies of all required documents for an offsite investigation. Documents are required within 5 days.

A motion was made by Steve and seconded by Tony to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the April 13, 2021 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 8:12 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Steve, seconded by Tony,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary

Buena Borough Fire District # 2
Board of Fire Commissioners
April 27, 2021 Monthly Meeting- Closed Portion

Date: April 27, 2021

Meeting was called to order 7:55 PM

Present were Jerome Irick X, Jeff Pace X,
Tony Abriola X, Brian Ewan X, and Steve LaPorta X.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1) et seq.), the open portion of the April 27, 2021 Commissioners Meeting was closed at 7:40 pm so that the Commissioners could discuss matters that were deemed privileged.

Discussion:

- 1) Lou Tarquino took a leave of absence for medical reasons. The leave was accepted by the Chief. Lou has still been coming to the fire station on several occasions since his leave was accepted. Rich Braslow advised Steve that it is a liability and Lou should not be on the property. Tony suggested that Rich send Lou a letter stating the concern.
- 2) All 4 line officers left the MFC area for a non-emergency call in Estell Manor. The Chief agrees that it should not have happened. He will address the problem, so it does not happen again.

A motion was made by Brian and seconded by Tony to close this portion of the meeting. The closed portion of the April 27, 2021 Commissioners Meeting was ended at 7:47 pm and the open meeting restarted.

Motion to adjourn the meeting Brian, seconded by Tony,

Respectfully submitted _____.
Jeff Pace, Secretary