

Haverford Township Bureau of Fire

April 2019 meeting minutes

Location: Manoa Fire Company

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Attendees:

J. Ford, W. Hatton, L. Lattanzio, J. McCans, T. McDonald, C. Millay, M. C. Norman, M. E. Norman, S. Poole, A. Sivak, J. Viola, W. Wechsler

The meeting was called to order by Chief Viola at 6:57 p.m.

The reading of the minutes from the March meeting was waived.

Motion - C. Millay, Second - T. McDonald, Vote - Unanimous

Treasurer:

J. Viola wrote a check for \$500 to R. Dougherty.

Township Manager:

No report

Police:

J. Viola reported that the Manoa Road project is underway. There should be a 12-foot lane on Old Manoa Road for apparatus. There was some discussion on assignments for handling an incident on Old Manoa Road.

Township Commissioners:

The new Township Manager starts on April 13th.

EMS:

J. McCans is monitoring a situation with Crozer Keystone North (DCMH, Springfield & Taylor).

Contingency plans are being developed.

There is a meeting with the game commission at the Township building tomorrow to discuss the coyotes in the Township.

Narberth has a new unit in service for firefighter rehab. The county is purchasing a new emergency services vehicle for transportation of personnel.

Fire Prevention:

J. Viola reported that Commissioner D'Emilio asked if the HTBF would like to do a demonstration on Haverford Township Day. The Chiefs were in favor of the demonstration. A location will need to be determined.

Apparatus:

Tower 34 is back in service.

Training:

A Stop the Bleed class will be held on April 29th at Station 35.

Mayday practical sessions are scheduled for each station. The Township-wide lecture will be on September 23rd at Haverford Middle School.

A solar panel class will be held on June 17th at Station 35.

Recruitment and Retention:

The committee meeting was rescheduled due to a conflict.

Radio:

The backup dispatch center is on hold at the moment.

J. Viola reported that County Council may want to send the radio system project back out to bid. The project is not progressing at this point.

Codes Enforcement:

The solar panel list is almost complete. S. Poole will hopefully send the list out to the County before the next HTBF meeting.

S. Poole was notified that the standpipe wheels are missing at 400 Glendale Road. Most companies carry spare wheels in their standpipe bags. There was also some apparent pipe corrosion. S. Poole contacted building management to have the sprinkler company come out.

M. C. Norman asked about safety precautions around the propane tank at Manoa Shopping Center.

Old Business:

C. Millay sent the letter to the Chiefs that we will be sending to the Lower Merion Fire Department regarding the directive to use Fire Channel 4. All Lower Merion companies have Fire Channel 4.

New Business:

M. C. Norman asked about the possibility of upgrading the NFIRS system to pre-populate some information from the County.

The fire tower is back in service. There are extensive repairs that are needed (approximately \$65,000). We will hopefully get this into next year's budget.

A. Sivak inquired about participation in the softball tournament.

J. McCans reported that William Murphy is receiving an EMT of the Year award from Springfield Township this Saturday.

There was some discussion on equipment needs.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lou Lattanzio
Manoa Fire Company