BOARDS OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MINUTES - MARCH 7, 2013

OPENING:

President Harry Carter called the regular meeting of the Joint Boards of Fire Commissioners to order this 7th day of March 2013, at 8:00pm, with a salute to the American Flag.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 2012 were approved by the floor as submitted.

ATTENDANCE:

Roll call showed 19 Commissioners present and 6 absent. Chief Hotmar and Captain Lewis were also present for the meeting.

Newly Elected Commissioner:

Fire District # 3, Doug Hesselbarth

Fire District # 3, Frank Pawlowski

Fire District # 5, Randolph Jager

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

SPECIAL:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Joint Purchasing Committee, Progress.

CHIEFS REPORT:

Chief Hotmar briefed the Boards on the following matters.

- 1. Chief Hotmar reminded the Boards that the Chief's Report would be presented only at the June meeting and as part of the end of the year report.
- 2. Chief Hotmar and Captain Lewis are working on a new inspection fee concept which would include pricing based upon square footage, rather than just a flat inspection fee. Same is in development.
- 3. Captain Lewis advised the Boards that the communications equipment is presently operating without problems. He also reminded the Boards that because of the antenna tower failure at Preventorium Road, a contingency plan has been developed so that if the main system failed, this plan could be put into effect that would get a backup system for police, fire and first aid in place in about 2 hours of the failure. He also reviewed with the Boards the possibility of a temporary antenna tower coming via the Police Department that could be used while we wait out the insurance review and replacement installation if that is the direct it takes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Gotto asked if there were any concerns or question relating to the proposed Fire Prevention Ordinance changes. One question was raised as to the use of "superadvisory" or supervisory. The agreed upon verbiage was "supervisory".

NEW BUSINESS:

01-03-2013 Reorganization:

President, Doug Hesselbarth Secretary, Frank Pawlowski

02-03-2013 Appointment of Liaison to the Planning/Zoning Board:

This was tabled until the next Joint Boards meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Changes to the Fire Prevention Ordinance.

At this time the Joint Boards voted to go into excessive session on a motion by Commissioner Carter seconded by Commissioner Wm. Donahue at 8:10pm. On a motion by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Carter the Joint Boards returned back to the regular meeting at 9:00pm.

GOOD/WELFARE:

- 1. All Fire District budgets passed for 2013.
- 3. Certificate of Service for Commissioner Esposito, Lasocco and Hodges will be presented at the June 6th meeting of the Joint Boards.
- 4. Next Executive Board meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2013, 7.30pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Commissioner Robert Donahue, seconded by Commissioner Biddle III, with no further business coming before the Boards, the meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING, JUNE 6, 2013, 8:00pm, FIRE DISTRICT # 2
ADELPHIA FIRE COMPANY, STATION # 2