

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
Monthly Minutes***

Date: March 21, 2011

Call To Order 7:02 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpiniello</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Present</i>

<u>Minutes</u>	<i>Motion to accept</i>	<u>Carpiniello</u>
	<i>Seconded</i>	<u>Smith</u>

Treasurers Report

Report by Comm. Norgalis. Quarterly payment will be available after April 1st. Checks will be distributed as soon as Howard receives signed agreements by Fire Chiefs.

Losap has been funded for this year.

Motion to accept Smith

Second by Holts

In Favor All Opposed None

Emergency Services Reports

<i>Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad</i>	<i>Chief Ireland reporting Copy to file</i>
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*Country Hills Fire Department Asst. Chief Springer reporting
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*Green Knoll Fire Department Chief Vitale reporting
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*North Branch Fire Department Chief Chabak reporting
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Old Business:

Smith discussed increasing Losap funding. Comm Jones to check with Braslow for clarification if fund can be increase without voter approval. To be reported at next meeting.

John Corbo presented an estimate for repairs to 107 alternator. Motion by Smith to approve up to \$2600.00 for the repair. Seconded by Holts. All were in favor

New Business:

Holz reported on election results. The budget and questions passed. Holtz was reelected to another term.

Holz also discussed the possibility of district elections being moved to align with the general elections in November.

Jeff Holz was sworn in by Comm Jones.

Reorganization of commissioners was as follows:

Chairman: George Jones

Motion by Norgalis/Second Smith /All in Favor

Vice Chairman: Edward Smith

Motion by Carpiniello/Second Norgalis /All in Favor

Treasurer: Howard Norgalis

Motion by Holtz/Second Smith /All in Favor

Secretary: Anthony Carpiniello

Motion by Jones/Second Holtz /All in Favor

Resolutions

The following resolutions were read and voted on:

12-01 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Motion to accept: Smith

Second By: Holz

In Favor: All Opposed: None

12-02 MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion to accept: Norgalis

Second By: Holz

In Favor: All Opposed: None

12-03 OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Courier News

Motion to accept: Carpiniello

Second By: Holz

In Favor: All Opposed: None

12-04 PAYMENT FOR CLAIMS AGAINST DISTRICT

Motion to accept: Norgalis

Second By: Holz

In Favor: All Opposed: None

12-05 SUREITY BOND FOR COMMISIONERS

Motion to accept: Holtz

Second By: Norgalis

In Favor: All Opposed: None

12-06 AUDITING SERVICES

Suplee Clooney

Motion to accept: Holtz

Second By: Smith

In Favor: All Opposed: None

12-07 LEGAL SERVICES

Braslow and Associates

Motion to accept: Smith

Second By: Holz

In Favor: All Opposed: None

Comm. Jones: discussed his attendance and agenda of the Joint Board of Commissioners. A topic covered was sharing services and purchasing. More to follow. Also discussed was a beneficiary form for LOSAP should be completed each year and held by commissioners.

Some questions arose about the AD&D policy. Norgalis and Carpiniello were under the impression that any accidental death is cover 24/7. Jones thought that it was only while conducting district business.

Establishing an internet site for the district was also discussed so members would have district domain email address to conduct business. Holtz assigned the task of looking into this and report at next meeting.

Carpiniello to contact VFIS for beneficiary form and clarification on AD&D.

VFIS rep will be at Martinsville FD June 19th for open forum.

Comm. Holtz: Discussed district that are now paying for daytime response such as Cresskill, NJ. Also Hillsboro Fire Inspectors have joined the fire union.

Cribbing for accidents is being donated by Mid State Building Company. Cribbing to be picked up and distributed as needed by North Branch Fire.

Jones: GKFC old Asst Chiefs' vehicle to be used as drill and scraped.

Chief Chabak: Discussed and explained recovering FEMA money after a disaster.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public
By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

Motion By: Smith
Second By : Holts

Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiniello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
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Date: April 18 2012

Call To Order 7:02 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpiniello</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Present</i>

Minutes Submitted electronically to members
Motion to accept as presented Holtz
Second by Smith
All in favor

Treasurers Report. Read by Jones

Motion to accept Smith

Second by _ Holtz

In Favor All Opposed None

Emergency Services Reports

*Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad Chief Ireland reporting
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Chief Ireland requested that squad be allowed to add their website info to the lower portion of the truck sides and rear. All commissioners were in agreement to allow it.

Country Hills Fire Department *Chief Ricks reporting*
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Green Knoll Fire Department *Chief Vitale reporting*
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North Branch Fire Department *Chief Chabak reporting*
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Old Business:

Holtz reported on rules regarding commission to have a website by 2/2013. Mr. Naples advised Chairman Jones that he would be willing to have the city designer create the web page for us. Holtz will continue to work and update commission on the website.

New Business:

Discussion regarding ICS being usurped by members of the GKRS. Jones spoke to the GKRS and the Captain stated he would speak to his members.

Attorney Braslow advised Chairman Jones that we need to revise and look at our contracts with the fire companies. We need to discuss disbursements of clothing allowances and how it reads in the contracts. Members requested that we meet Braslow in person to discuss. Chairman Jones will look into this

The position of GKFC with regards to responding to Ethicon on a confined space call was discussed. There was confusion with Chief Vitale's position. GKFC will no longer respond to daily stand by events so that Ethicon can do maintenance on their equipment. This became a daily burden on the already manpower taxed company. The company will ALWAYS respond to true emergencies. Com. Smith will transmit this position to Chief Borden to clear up this issue.

FF Calvo was injured on a call and contacted Qualcare immediately. Candy Burgess is refusing claim because Chief Vitale did not submit the proper form which was never given to him. Comm Jones will follow up with this issue.

There have been several road closures in the past few weeks where dispatch did not notify the fire departments. Comm Jones will follow up to see where the communications broke down. He feels that since it was county work the county should have notified FD.

Chief Ricks discussed paying some of his members as training to attend the Baltimore Convention. Item tabled by Comm Jones till next meeting.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

Motion By: Smith

Second By : Holtz

Meeting Adjourned: 8:09 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiniello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
Monthly Minutes***

Date:

May 16, 2012

Call To Order 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	Comm. Carpiniello	Present
	Comm Holtz	Present
	Comm. Jones	Present
	Comm Norgalis	Present
	Comm. Smith	Present

Minutes Submitted electronically to members

Motion to accept as presented Holtz

Seconded Smith

In Favor 4 Abstentions 1

Treasurers Report. Submitted by Norgalis

Motion to accept Smith

Second by _ Holtz

In Favor 5 Opposed

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad	Chief Ireland reporting Copy to file
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Country Hills Fire Department	Captain Kevin McMorrow Copy to file
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Green Knoll Fire Department

Chief Vitale reporting
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North Branch Fire Department

Chief Chabak reporting
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Old Business:

Jones discussed I AM RESPONDING has more capability than we use. Smith said it is good for response but too cumbersome for equipment.

Jones discussed response to Ethicon that the commission should send a response letter stating that we respond to 911 emergencies only and not on confined space standby. Smith stated that a letter would be a liability in a case of an accident in confined space. Commissioners agreed that a letter should not be penned and fire chief should handle this with Ethicon.

Doug Rue briefed commission on radio operations and issues regarding T-band and narrow banding issues. Also discussed renewal of federal licenses.

Jones discussed the Baltimore Training Seminar in July which Chief Hicks requested to attend. Cost of training in \$300.00. Commission agreed that the training is good but is Baltimore the better or other training better. Commission would like a cost and synopsis of courses members would like to attend in Baltimore from Chief Ricks. Chief Chabak requested that we spend the training budget on a district wide training program. Tabled till next meeting.

Holtz discussed the establishment of the District Web Page.

Holtz discussed that the township not responsive in doing background checks. He will address this with the township.

New Business:

Jones discussed a letter which was submitted by Chief Halperin of Green Knoll Rescue Squad of a complaint about the fire chief's actions on Woodlawn Ave fire. Commission agreed that this is a firematics issue and Jones will respond to Halperin's letter with our position.

Chief Vitale requested the commissions help with recruiting new members. At this point commission recommended mutual aid and that tone down recruiting requirements to not scare potential members.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

Motion By: Holts
Second By: Smith

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiniello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
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Date: June 20, 2012

Call To Order PM 7 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpinello</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Present</i>

Minutes Submitted electronically to members
Motion to accept as presented Smith
Seconded Jones
All in favor

Treasurers Report. Submitted by Norgalis

Motion to accept Smith

Second by _ Jones

In Favor 3 Opposed 0

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad Chief Ireland reporting
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Country Hills Fire Department Captain McMora reporting
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Green Knoll Fire Department

*Chief Vitale reporting
Copy to file*

North Branch Fire Department

*Chief Chabak reporting
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Old Business:

Suggesting web page to go up-Jeff Holtz

Joint Board will be held at Green Knoll this quarter

County OEM to hold Gross Decon exercise in Sept or Oct they will contact.

New Business:

Mr. Silver NJ State Inspector has received all needed paperwork and will contact FD's to set up appointment to visit

*FCC Licensing can be done by a company in California for \$100.00.
OKed by board to proceed.*

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

*Motion By: Norgalis
Second By : Smith*

Meeting Adjourned:

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Smith/Carpiniello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
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Date: July 18, 2012

Call To Order 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpinello</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Absent</i>

Minutes Submitted electronically to members

Motion to accept as presented Holts

Seconded Norgalis
All in favor

Treasurers Report. Submitted by Norgalis

Motion to accept Jones

Second by _ Holtz

In Favor 4 Opposed 0

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad Chief Ireland reporting
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Country Hills Fire Department

*Chief Ricks reporting
Copy to file*

Green Knoll Fire Department

*Chief Vitale reporting
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North Branch Fire Department

*Chief Chabak reporting
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Old Business:

Request by Chief Vitale. Open Discussion of replacing 132 Tanker. Commissioners will discuss and research prior to next meeting.

Comm Jones discussed training in Baltimore request by Assist Chief Country Hills. Norgalis felt that there should be district training as opposed to specific training. Carpiniello agreed. Holtz felt that there is good training available for individuals.

Chiefs will research and bring back some dates and training evolutions.

FCC Licensing still in the process Doug Rue is working on it.

New Business:

Holtz: Received a thank you from the Bridgewater Lacrosse Association. The North Branch, Bradley Gardens and Green Knoll fire companies supplied ice and cooling sprays due to high heat during a tournament weekend.

116 Cabinet Doors are rusting away. Chief Vitale will get an estimate to be discussed at a later time.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

*Motion By: Norgalis
Second By : Holtz*

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
Monthly Minutes***

Date: August 15, 2012

Call To Order 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpiello</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Absent</i>

Minutes Submitted electronically to members
Motion to accept as presented Norgalis
Seconded Holts
All in favor

Treasurers Report. Submitted by Norgalis

Motion to accept Carpiello

Second by _ Holts

All in Favor

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad Chief Ireland reporting
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Country Hills Fire Department Asst Chief Springer reporting
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Green Knoll Fire Department

*Chief Vitale reporting
Copy to file*

North Branch Fire Department

*Deputy Chief Hickson reporting
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Old Business:

-Losap report needs to be submitted in two weeks.

-Holts presented the lay out of the Fire District Website. Jones will present to Mr Naples as soon as it is completed.

New Business:

-Discussion on approval of a raising the LOSAP payment to \$1000.00. Jones will confer with Braslow on his position.

-Update on narrow banding by FCC from Doug Rue. T band is no longer being narrow banded. Pagers and district repeaters will not be effected by narrow banding. Rue will be handling the licensing and the individual fire companies will be responsible for the actual programing of the radios.

-Fire Companies are to submit a list of radio equipment to Doug Rue by Sept 1st.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

*Motion By: Holts
Second By : Norgalis
All in Favor*

Meeting Adjourned: 7:55 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
Monthly Minutes***

Date: September 26, 2012

Call To Order 8:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpinello</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Present</i>

Minutes *To be submitted next meeting*

Treasurers Report. *Submitted by Norgalis*

Motion to accept Norgalis

Second by _ Jones

All In Favor

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad *Chief Ireland reporting*
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Country Hills Fire Department *Chief Ricks reporting*
Chief Ricks requested a command vehicle to be placed on the ballot for
CHFD to be paid for and maintained by the District.
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Green Knoll Fire Department

*Chief Vitale reporting
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North Branch Fire Department

*Chief Chabak reporting
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Old Business:

Losap Reporting to be completed by Chiefs.

Doug Rue gave report on radios- Copy to File

Web Page- All required fields are complete and will be submitted

New Business:

Losap sample question for ballot

Review of Budgets for all 3 companies

Budget Committee established Norgalis and Jones to serve.

Radio Standards to be adhered to. Read by Norgalis.

State bid memo was read nothing of consequence

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

Motion By: Jones

Second By : Norgalis

Meeting Adjourned: ???? pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Smith

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
Monthly Minutes***

Date: Oct 17, 2012

Call To Order 7 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpiello</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Present</i>

Minutes Submitted electronically to members
Motion to accept as presented Norgalis
Seconded Smith
All in favor

Treasurers Report. Submitted by Norgalis

Motion to accept Smith

Second by _ Carpiello

All In Favor

Quarterly checks distributed

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad Chief Ireland reporting
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Country Hills Fire Department *Chief Ricks reporting*
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Green Knoll Fire Department *Chief Vitale reporting*
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North Branch Fire Department *Chief Chabak reporting*
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Old Business:

Jones-Losap has been update by all companies.

Doug Rue-Radio Committee Report –filed. Doug turned over new FCC licenses to Jones. Two quotes were submitted for the narrow banding programing by Doug Rue. One from Royal Communications and one from M&W. M&W has a total lower price and was recommended by Doug Rue.

*Motion to accept Doug Rue’s recommendation to use M&W by Smith
Second by Norgalis. All In Favor.*

Jones- The Web Page is complete and we will turn it over to township web master this week.

Jones- Proposal by Country Hills to have the district purchase a chiefs vehicle to be used as a command vehicle. This was discussed by the commission. Motion to deny the purchase of a command vehicle for the country hills by the district-Smith Sec Carpiello All In Favor

New Business:

Chief Vitale- Briefed commission on comments made by Somerville Chief at the Township Inspection. He requested that Chairman Jones conduct an investigation and request an apology from the Somerville Chief. Comm Carpiello feels that it is not a district issue and should be addressed by the individual companies.

Jones- Discussed new budgets. They will be reviewed by a budget committee and advise. Norgalis and Jones was appointed as a budget committee.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

Motion By: Smith

Second By : Norgalis

Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiniello

***Bridgewater Fire District # 3
Commissioners Meeting
Monthly Minutes***

Date: 12/19/12

Call To Order 7 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Called for by Chairman Jones

<u>Roll Call</u>	<i>Comm. Carpiello</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Holtz</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Jones</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm Norgalis</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Comm. Smith</i>	<i>Present</i>

Minutes *Submitted electronically to members*
Motion to accept as presented Norgalis
Seconded Holts
All in favor

Treasurers Report. *Submitted by Norgalis*

Motion to accept Holts

Second by Carpiello

All In Favor

Motion to Adopt Budget: Norgalis

Second: Holts

All in Favor

Emergency Services Reports

Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad *No Report*

*Country Hills Fire Department Chief Ricks reporting
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*Green Knoll Fire Department Chief Vitale reporting
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*North Branch Fire Department Chief Hickson reporting
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Old Business:

*158 will be brought in for repair from Hurricane Sandy
116 will be repaired by insurance for damage by hurricane Sandy.
116 needs repairs for rust on doors. (1400.00 Lee Emergency Equipment
Estimate on file) Chief Vitale was granted permission to get this repair
done by commission.*

*Radio Narrow Banding is complete and bill came in \$400.00 under
budget. –Doug Rue reporting*

*Web Page is on the City website. There are many problems with the site.
Comm Jones will research getting a professional company to work on site-
Jones Reporting.*

Chief Vitale has ordered chiefs vehicle for delivery in 2013.

New Business:

North Branch mutual aid agreement put out and all agreed.

All losap to be submitted at January meeting.

Critique of Hurricane Sandy response was discussed

Jones will be advertising Joint board ad for absence ballot

Comm Smith and Jones are up for election this year.

Chief Hickson requested funding of \$1800.00 for a district drill. Approved by commission.

Open To Public:

No one requested to speak

Closed to Public

By Chair Jones

Motion to Adjourn

Motion By: Smith

Second By: Holtz

Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Comm. Carpiniello