

**West Deptford Township  
Emergency Service Coordinating Council  
Meeting Minutes September 10, 2018**

The Emergency Services Coordinating Council held their Regular Meeting on Monday, September 10, 2018. Chief Golle called the meeting to order at 1931 hours, then saluted the flag with a moment of silence. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted. A motion was made by Assistant Chief Powell to accept the minutes, seconded by Chief Harris, all in favor.

**In Attendance**

Colonial Manor	Chief Ricky Harris	Present
	Alt. Thomas Pickering	Present
Greenfields	Rep. Chief Marty Matson	Present
	Alt. Joe Gill	
Thorofare	Chief Brian Golle	Present
	Alt. W. Fanslau	Absent
Verga	Rep. Scott Powell	Present
	Alt. Forrest Hammel	Absent
Mayor	Mayor Denice DiCarlo	Absent
Public Safety Chairman	Deputy Mayor James Mehaffey	Present
Mayor's Alternate	Committeewoman Megan Kerr	Absent
Township Liaison	Lieutenant John Chambers	Present
Citizen at Large	T. Sullivan	Absent
Citizen at Large	VACANT	
Recording Secretary	Latiya Wescott	Present
Emergency Management Coordinator	Joe Gill	Present
Vehicle Maintenance	Keith Lamb	Absent
	Alt. Tom Jefferson	Present

**Fire Official's Report:**

Mr. Austin gave the fire official report for June, July & August. There was 11 fire investigations during this time.

Fire inspections for summer break were as follows:

121 inspections            10 re-inspections

New businesses:

Big Al's Buy & Sell (735 Mantua Pike)

Mr. Mehaffey asked if all fire companies had an opportunity to walk through the Amazon warehouse. All 4 companies have had a tour of the facility.

**Vehicle Maintenance Report:**

Tom Jefferson gave the vehicle maintenance report. Parts for 6-14 have been ordered and equipment testing will be soon.

### **Training Committee:**

Mr. Tom Theodore gave the training committee report. The training committee has had productive meetings and several drills throughout the summer.

October 14<sup>th</sup>- Free driver training cert class.

October 23<sup>rd</sup>- Review scheduled at 6-3 for drill

October 27<sup>th</sup> at 8 am live burn drill in Burlington County.

### **SOG:**

Committee met on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Reviewed the SOGs and will be discussing an initiation period for new members.

### **Township Chief's Meeting:**

Chief Golle gave a report. The Chiefs received a thank you letter from Connor Gill who was the recipient of the ESCC scholarship. They also met with Keith Lamb & Jason Flade to review vehicle maintenance issues. Short term and long term resolutions were discussed. Short term plan of action is to look for a maintenance company to perform maintenance of fire trucks. JIF safety inspections and checklists were also discussed.

### **Gloucester County Chief's Meeting:**

No report. There has been no meeting as of this year. Chief Golle did state that he attended a First Net meeting that discussed the emergency service available for first responders via their cell phones.

### **Master Plan:**

No change.

### **OEM:**

Mr. Gill gave a report. September 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a large scale spill drill being conducted in the Paulsboro area.

### **Mayor Comments:**

No report.

### **Public Safety Chairman:**

Deputy Mayor Mehaffey gave a report. Lee Ann DeHart has been appointed as the Acting Township Administrator by the Township Committee. The prior Administrator, Lyman Barnes' shared services agreement expired.

Chiefs were informed that emergency management issues will go through Deputy Mayor and then Lee Ann as needed.

### **Township Liaison**

Lt. Chambers gave a report. Police department successfully concluded its 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Junior Police Academy. Mr. Chambers thanked John Austin & the fire departments for their participation in the program and National Night Out.

Chief Golle asked if there was a crash policy in place for the police department. Lt. Chambers will forward to the committee for review.

**Citizens at Large:**

No report given.

**6-6 Comments**

Fire Prevention Activities are scheduled for October 19<sup>th</sup>.

**6-3 Comments**

Fire Prevention activities are scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup>. The NJ Firemen's Convention will be the weekend of September 15<sup>th</sup>. Update on mutual aid to compensate for coverage.

**6-2 Comments**

Fit test scheduled for September 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

**6-1 Comments**

Thanked everyone for their assistance with the Crown Point Fire. On October 30<sup>th</sup> there will be a traffic management safety class. November 13<sup>th</sup> the department will be hosting a Robert Eckert lecture.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Chief Harris reminded everyone to turn in their equipment lists.

Deputy Mayor Mehaffey briefly discussed the Hurricane Florence forecast and station availability.

**Public Comment**

Dave Raso discussed vehicle maintenance, ISO rating report and staffing of fire stations. He thanked the training committee for their efforts.

Phil Zimm discussed vehicle maintenance reports being circulated to the Chiefs.

**Next Meeting**

October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn made by Assistant Chief Powell and seconded by Chief Harris at 2016 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Latiya Wescott  
Recording Secretary

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ADOPTED ON: \_\_\_\_\_