

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH**

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CLOSED SESSION MEETING

May 8, 2014

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Hillsborough Township, County of Somerset, New Jersey convened in a Closed Session Meeting on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 8:00 pm. In the Conference Room at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Building on South Branch Road. Commission Chairman Greg Kane called the meeting to order.

A call of the roll indicated that Board members present were: Commissioner Greg Kane, Commissioner Nick Patullo, Commissioner Bruce Vatter, Commissioner Charlie Nuara and Commissioner John Catrombon, Jr.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) A discussion was had with regards to the Firefighters Mike Murphy / Rich Crater issue that took place on a structure fire scene on Saturday, March 15, 2014.
 - Mike Murphy:
 - o Admitted he was wrong.
 - o Commissioner Kane's recommendation of discipline is: Letter put in File, 60 Day Suspension, and removal from Line Office for remainder of the year, and 1 year probation from final agreement. Any instances during this time will warrant suspension or termination.
 - Rich Crater:
 - o Commissioner Kane's recommendation of discipline is: Letter put in his file, 3 month probation from final agreement. Any instances during this time will warrant suspension or termination.
- 2) Add in GOG's:
 - o Any firefighter that feels an action is endangering to his/her life.
 - o Any member ?
- 3) Water Rescue Call – Station 38:
 - o Chief Fulmino's poor judgment – Brought his son on scene. Son was wondering around scene unsupervised.
- 4) Dryer Fire Call – Station 48:
 - o Chief Foelsh told the driver of 48's Truck 105 to move his truck, and told him it was an Order. Chief Foelsh was not in Command of the scene, and 48's Driver had already been given instruction on where to move the truck from Chief Davis who was in Command.
 - o One person from Station 48 was in basement alone.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comment, **a motion was made by Commissioner Kane and seconded by Commissioner Vatter to adjourn the closed meeting at 8:30 p.m. Roll call vote. All approved.**

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Vatter, Secretary
Hillsborough Township
Board of Fire Commissioners

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