

Monroe Township Fire Department

District #1

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Monthly Report: May 13, 2020

Money: See attached

Inspections: See attached

Note: All Smoke Detector Inspections are being conducted by an Affidavit of Inspection with phone guidance from Bureau Inspectors. Some Detector Fees have been suspended during this time of National Emergency.

As noted in last month reports, I have been working remotely. Inspector Reardon is now being set up to also work remotely by controlling his work computer from his home office. As a result, some inspections are being conducted without a physical inspection.

Establishments are being contacted and asked to submit alarm and sprinkler tests.

Violation reports are being sent to correct any needed items.

Investigations:

One complaint regarding a legal fire pit. Letters sent to both neighbors including a copy of the code. Further, Monroe Zoning and Health were copied.

Fire Prevention:

At the request of the Commissioners, a video was made regarding the status of Monroe Fire District 1 entities during this crisis. After an introduction noting Fire Prevention material for Home Instruction, the Bureau then gave an update on inspection procedures, especially for those needing smoke detector inspections for a home resale. A

Commissioner's segment included the statutes of the Fire Dept. and noted "virtual meeting" information.

Copies have been posted on the website, Youtube, and the Fire Company's Facebook account.

Links were also provided at the end of the video for website links that contain Commissioners monthly meeting login procedures, Fire Prevention material, as well as a Firefighter storybook read by Lt. Grossman.

A copy was also forwarded to the Monroe Twp., Office of Public Information.

The Middlesex County Fire Protection and Prevention Association was presented with a unique challenge, as the poster judging meeting was cancelled because of the Corona crisis. Amanda donates her time as webmaster for this organization. Members were asked to email pictures of their posters for judging and Amanda uploaded them to the website.

She then created an online virtual voting poll. The winners were then sent to the State Division of Fire for judging. Although Monroe I did not have any County winners, Monroe Fire District III had several.

Communications

iPhone follow-up:

Commissioner Ventriello and Joe Rumolo have contacted Verizon for an update and are waiting for a response.

Registrations:

Life Hazard: 40
 Local: 103
 Closed: 113
 Total: 256

	Regist. fees	Inspect. fees	Permit fees	Penalty fees
Priors, payment:	2 200.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00
Priors, waived:	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00
Billed this per:	0 0.00	0 0.00	1 0.00	0 0.00
Payments:	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00
Waived:	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00
Due:	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	0 0.00

	Ded. Penalty
Priors, payment:	0 0.00
Priors, waived:	0 0.00
Billed this per:	0 0.00
Payments:	0 0.00
Waived:	0 0.00
Due:	0 0.00

Inspections:	Local	LHU	Smoke Detector Insp:	10	0.00
Periodic:	0	1	Misc. Permits:	0	0.00
Re-inspect:	0	0	Other Misc. Fees:	0	0.00
Complaint:	0	0	Annual Permits:	0	0.00
Follow-up:	0	0	Misc. Penalties:	0	0.00
Other:	0	1			
Total:	0	2	Correspondence:	33	

Note: Amounts paid and waived include partial payments and fee reductions.

Correspondence form description	Number sent
Fire Safety Permit	22
Invoice/Statement of Payments Due	1
Notice of Violations, with list and explanation	6
Violations list, no notice, no explanation	1
Notice of Decision on Request for Time Extension	2
Request for Time Extension	1