



Board of Fire Commissioners

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Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Cary Costa

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 18, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Calvo at 7:32 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Attorney Braslow advised the Board that all requirements of the Open Public Meeting Laws had been met. Pursuant to the Public Meeting Act of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting has been met by advertising in The Coaster and the Two River Times, and by posting on the bulletin board in the Tinton Falls Borough Hall and placed on file with the Borough Clerk 48 hours prior to this meeting.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLE CALL

Bowles- present

Calvo- present

Costa- present

Hawkins-present

Attorney Braslow- by phone

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion to approve the Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes from May 21, 2020 was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Costa. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A report had been submitted by Treasurer Carl Bowles. Total bills for the month are \$59,673.35, which include:



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Skylands- \$2,500.00 10 new helmets

Defender- \$2,119.58 repairs to 36-3-93

NJ American Water Co.- \$15,548.00 hydrant rental

Commissioner Stipends- \$4,000.00

Wayside- \$5,000.00 quarterly rent

Pine Brook- \$12,500.00 quarterly rent

W.S. Darley- \$7,076.72 Pine Brook equipment supplies

Andrew Calvo (Ring Central)- \$1,884.62 new phone system

Motion to pay the bills was made by Commissioner Costa and seconded by Commissioner Calvo. All in favor.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Reggie Wright reported that there were 28 calls in May 2020. 36-2-85 is currently out of service. He stated that Pine Brook has accepted 2 new members and submitted their application paperwork.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT

Captain Chad Butler spoke on behalf of Deputy Chief Kyle Williams who was not in attendance. Various paperwork was submitted pertaining to calls, equipment, training, upcoming conferences, and new business. Question was asked when the Board might consider work needed on the exterior of the building as well as repair of the apron. President Calvo stated that this is the last year the bond payment has to be paid and these things can probably be done next year. Lastly, he stated that Deputy Chief Williams wanted to thank outgoing Commissioner Andrew Calvo for his hard work and dedication over the years to help District 1 move forward on all aspects.

TRAINING / COMPLIANCE

Training/Compliance Officer James Ogle had submitted reports for both Training and Compliance. He stated that Wayside's 35 foot ladder can and will be repaired by a company called First Due Fabrication in northern New Jersey for \$220.00. He stated we are hoping to start "hands on" training in July. Attorney Braslow stated that he will prepare waivers that will need to be signed.



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OLD BUSINESS

AMEND RESOLUTION 2019-25 TO REFLECT TWO RIVER BANK'S MERGER WITH OCEANFIRST BANK AND NAME OF BANK: OCEANFIRST BANK

Motion to amend the Resolution with the new name was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Costa. All in favor.

President Calvo asked Treasurer/Commissioner Carl Bowles to acquire a GUDPA certificate from Oceanfirst Bank.

SEX ABUSE AND MOLESTATION POLICY

Discussion was held in Workshop Meeting. A motion was made to accept the policy with an added change subject to the provisions of the insurance policy. Change: Any defense provided to an individual relative to such claim will be determined by the terms and conditions of any insurance policy or policies in effect at the time of the claim. Motion was made by Commissioner Bowles and seconded by Commissioner Hawkins. All in favor.

NEW PHONES AND FAX FROM RING CENTRAL

Done in Workshop meeting.

PIERCE PRE-CONSTRUCTION TRIP

Done in Workshop meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

NOVEMBER ELECTION- 3 SPOTS UP FOR ELECTION. A ONE YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM, A TWO YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM, AND A FULL THREE YEAR TERM.

Petitions are due back to the county by Monday July 27, 2020 at 4 pm.

President Calvo asked the Board how they would like to proceed with the current Commissioner vacancy. Commissioner Hawkins made a motion to nominate Wayside member Michael Estelle to Commissioner, which was seconded by Commissioner Calvo. Discussion and vote ended in a stalemate.

Hawkins: YES

Calvo: YES

Bowles: NO



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Costa: NO

Commissioner Hawkins left the meeting at 7:40 pm and returned at 7:55 pm.

President Calvo stated that he will send out an email requesting a resume and a cover letter. All 3 will comply.

Commissioner Hawkins made a motion for Darell Harris to fill the current commissioner vacancy until the November elections. It was seconded by Commissioner Calvo. Vote: 3-1, Darell Harris was sworn in as a Commissioner at 8:02 pm. to replace the position vacated by Joe Keselica, which is a two year unexpired term.

Bowles: NO

Calvo: YES

Costa: YES

Hawkins: YES

RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER CALVO

Commissioner Calvo stated that he will be resigning as of June 30, 2020 at 11:59 pm. He is moving out of town. Will be closer to work for both he and his wife. He stated that he hoped he had helped to benefit the Commission and wished them all future success. All the Commissioners stated their appreciation for all that he has done. Chief Reggie Wright stated to Commissioner Calvo that he appreciated his years of service to the District.

NASHVILLE FIRE EXPO

Done in Workshop meeting. Motion to send 6 members to Nashville was made by Commissioner Costa and seconded by Commissioner Bowles. All in favor.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Aaron Brawner stated that the building is in disrepair and hoped the board would start thinking about fixing some problems, also the exterior of the building. He told Commissioner Calvo that he appreciated all of his hard work. He stated his disappointment to the Commission for letting personal bias get in the way of seating a Commissioner.

Attorney Richard Braslow also commended Commissioner Calvo on doing an extremely nice job as Commissioner.



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