

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 17, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER-** The Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Costa at 7:30 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.

**ROLL CALL-** Bowles- present Chervinsky-present Costa-present

Harris-present Hawkins-present Attorney Braslow-phone

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-** Motion to go into Executive Session was made by commissioner Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Chervinsky at 7:38 pm. All in favor.

Motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Harris at 9:09 pm. All in favor.

**APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 2020-** Motion to approve the Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes from November 2020 was made by Commissioner Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT-** A report for December bills was submitted by Treasurer Carl Bowles. Bills for the month total \$82,327.27. Which include:

NJ American Water Co. \$36,204.14 pays us through 12/31/2020

Defender (4 bills) \$10,488.59 mostly repairs to 3-76

Motorola Digital/Portable Radio \$7,574.55

Commissioner Stipends \$4,000.00

Pine Brook Rent \$12,500.00

Wayside Rent \$5,000.00

Motion for the bills to be paid was made by Commissioner Harris and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Chervinsky. All in favor.

**CHIEF'S REPORT-** Done in Workshop Meeting

**DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT-** Done in Workshop Meeting

Motion to approve all training requested by Chief and Deputy Chief not to exceed \$6000.00 was made by Commissioner Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bowles. All in favor.

**TRAINING/COMPLIANCE OFFICER-** Training and Compliance Officer Jim Ogle had submitted reports to the Board. He also submitted a future Training Schedule from January 2021 through May 2021. He was unable to attend the meeting due to being held at work due to weather.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Reorganization**

Commissioner Darell Harris was sworn in for a 3 year term.

Commissioner Howard Chervinsky was sworn in for a 2 year term.

Commissioner Samuel Hawkins was sworn in for a 1 year term.

For 2021 Commissioner roles will remain the same:

President- Cary Costa

Vice President- Samuel Hawkins

Secretary- Howard Chervinsky

Treasurer- Carl Bowles

Asst. Sec/ Asst. Treas.- Darell Harris

Motion for all positions to remain the same was made by Commissioner Costa and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Chervinsky. All in favor.

**Resolutions:**

Authorizing Appointment of Accountant for the 2021 Year

Authorizing Appointment of Attorney for the 2021 Year

Authorizing of Appointment of Auditor for the 2021 Year

Adoption of Cash Management Plan

Authorizing Regular Meeting Schedule for the 2021 Year

Designation of Official Newspapers for Publications for the 2021 Year

Authorizing Approval and Payment of Claims

Designating Surety Bonding for Commissioners

Closing of Meeting Pursuant to Open Public Meetings Act

Motion to adopt above Resolutions was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Bowles. All in favor.

**Introduction of the Budget**

A Resolution was made to introduce the 2021 Temporary Budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bowles. All in favor.

A second Resolution was made to adopt the 2021 Temporary Budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Bowles and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Chervinsky.

A third Resolution to make Budget Transfers was made. Motion was made by Commissioner Bowles and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Chervinsky.

Motion to adopt these Resolutions was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Bowles. All in favor.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION-** Mike Estelle inquired about the email he had sent, an OPRA request for Executive Session Minutes from November 2020 meeting. Attorney Braslow stated that until the issue is resolved the minutes from Executive Sessions do not have to be disclosed.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Chervinsky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bowles. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.