

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2021

CALL TO ORDER- The Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by President Costa at 7:37 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENT- President Costa advised the board that all requirements of The Open Public Meeting Act of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting had been met by advertising in The Coaster and The Asbury Park Press, 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-excused Chervinsky-excused Costa-present

Harris-present Hawkins-present Attny Braslow-excused

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES- Motion to approve the Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes from January 2021 was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor except Commissioner Costa because he was not at the January meeting.

Motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes from 11/19/20, 12/17/20, and 1/21/21 was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor except Commissioner Costa who was not at the 1/21/21 meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT- A report had been submitted by Treasurer Carl Bowles. Total bills for the month are \$55,758.52, Which include:

Holman Frenia Allison Auditors \$10,058.00 2020 Audit

Emergency Reporting \$1,748.00 Subscription Fee

VFIS \$9,942.00 Accident and Sickness Insurance

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RWJ Barnabas Health \$1,550.00 EMT class for Evan Smith

Commissioner Stipends \$5,000.00

Wayside Quarterly \$5,000.00

Pine Brook Quarterly Rent \$12,500.00

Motion to pay the bills was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

CHIEF'S REPORT- Mostly done in Workshop Meeting. Discussion on 36-2-75, needs \$20,000.00 of work. Surplus gear from both stations is ready to be disposed of, Chief will combine both stations lists. Discussed the apron, painting the interior of the building, the offices, the meeting room. A committee will prioritize and at least budget some of these things for next year.

Motion for a Resolution to get rid of surplus gear and equipment was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Motion to allow training for various members was made by Commissioner Hawkins and second by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Motion for the District to purchase 10 sets of needed gear was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Motion to accept 4 new members to Wayside, C. Lee, S. Mayweather, D. Schoch, and J. Walton was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Motion to pay the Storm Standbys from 1/31-2/1, 2/7, and 2/18 was made by Commissioner Harris and seconded by Commissioner Hawkins. All in favor.

Motion to purchase 10 CAT Tourniquets was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Motion to reimburse Doug Rhoades and Christopher Lee for IdentGo fingerprinting was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

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DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT- A report had been submitted by Deputy Chief Reggie Wright. Chief Wright asked if he could bring his vehicle to East Coast for lighting repair, permission granted. Commissioners also stated GPS needs to be installed on the Chief's vehicle.

TRAINING/COMPLIANCE- Reports for Training and Compliance were both submitted by Officer Jim Ogle, who was not able to attend the meeting due to work.

OLD BUSINESS

Updating Policies 4-6 District Training and 4-12 Firefighter Incentives

Commissioner Costa had submitted a report on changes to Policy 4-6 and Policy 4-12, and went over these changes.

Motion for a Resolution to adopt these policy changes, as well as Chief's request to add CPR/AED Training to Policy 4-2, as well as Policy 4-6 District Training Sub-Section Annual Required Training (every 2 years). was made by Commissioner Harris and seconded by Commissioner Hawkins. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire Protection Agreements- Agreements were handed out to each Fire Company and will be handed in or discussed further at April's Meeting.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Wayside Treasurer Andrew Calvo spoke about 36-2-74. Quotes we've received, Fire and Safety: \$30,000.00, Defender: \$18,000.00. Motion to proceed with these, with the stipulation that it is based upon our attorney's approval, was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Wayside firefighter Keith Finkelstein spoke about the upcoming anniversary of 9/11 and perhaps having our memorial area tended to. Also discussed was having our lawn maintenance provider aerate and seed the property.

A motion to donate from the District \$1,000.00 towards the upkeep of our 9/11 Memorial was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

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Treasurer Andrew Calvo also stated it would be a good idea for the Commissioners to have their own Office 365 account, which would cost approximately \$1,000.00 per year.

Motion to purchase Office 365 Account for Commissioners was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

Commissioner Costa stated that we are trying to get a credit card for the Commissioners to use instead of Andrew Calvo having to use his credit card whenever a credit card is needed. It is called a "P" card.

Commissioner Costa stated that we need another phone for conference calls for the Conference table in the Commissioner's office. Price will be approximately \$1,200.00.

Motion to purchase new phone for Conference table was made by Commissioner Harris and seconded by Commissioner Hawkins. All in favor.

Wayside Captain Michael Scott said preventive maintenance is due on our trucks and asked if he should schedule. Commissioners said yes.

Firefighter Keith Finkelstein asked if the District could purchase recruitment banners at the little league field, they are approximately \$400.00-\$500.00 each. Commissioners said yes, not to exceed \$1,100.00. One for Pine Brook and one for Wayside.

Motion to purchase 2 recruitment banners not to exceed \$1,100.00 was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting was made by Commissioner Hawkins and seconded by Commissioner Harris. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

