## Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District No. 1 P.O. Box 6903 Freehold, NJ 07728

### **Special Workshop Meeting**

### November 12, 2019

Chairman John Toutounchi called the special workshop meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 7:33pm. Chief Spicuzza led the flag salute. Roll call was taken, and the Commissioners present at the meeting were John Toutounchi, Andrew Story, Michael Fogarty, Kevin Horan and Stephen Lengyel. Also present at the meeting was Board Secretary-Rachel Davis.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Commissioner Fogarty read his November 12, 2019 Treasurer's Report into record.

# Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to transfer \$60,000 from Ocean First money market to Ocean First checking account and pay the bills in the amount of \$58,988.79

Second: Mr. Horan

Roll call vote: 5-0 all in favor

Mr. Fogarty informed Captain Petersen that he spoke with TD Bank, and everything should be finalized within days.

Mr. Toutounchi read the Application Certification for the Local Finance Board, which was signed by Secretary Horan, and also provided the Board with the resolution.

## Motion was made by Mr. Story to approve the Resolution Making the Application to the Local Finance Board Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-6.

Second: Mr. Horan

Roll call vote: 5-0 all in favor

#### **Buildings:**

- Commissioner Lengyel confirmed that the generator works, Bollards will be installed tomorrow; parking lot lights are done; and he is waiting for an appointment to fix the bay heaters.
- Mannequins in storage are no longer being used. Board decided to keep them.
- Board had no problem with election workers coming in a half hour earlier. Mr. Story reminded the Board about getting the election tickets early.
- Commissioner Horan provided electrical quote for washer/dryer hook up. Mr. Toutounchi reminded of the need to have NJBR and insurance before work is started.

Motion was made by Mr. Horan accepting the bid from Moretti Electrical Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$3,985 for the electrical work to hook up washer and dryer.

Second: Mr. Story

Roll call vote: 5-0 all in favor

Mr. Fogarty confirmed with Lt. Santore that the intent of the washer and dryer would be to do in-house gear cleaning, if possible, and only send gear out for repairs.

**Family Members in Chief's Car Responding to a Fire Call:** Mr. Toutounchi asked the Board their thoughts on rescinding the current August 26, 2014 resolution and to now allow family to be in the Fire Chief's car while responding to a fire call as long as the family member stays in the car. All Board members agreed.

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to remove the existing resolution from August 26, 2014, which prohibits transportation of non-fire personnel in district apparatus while responding to or from emergency response.

Second: Mr. Horan

Roll call vote: 5-0 all in favor

Board then discussed amending said resolution but decided to table that amendment until further discussion at a later date.

Santa run will be status quo.

Board discussed executive office space at the District, and the discussion was then tabled until discussing it with President Timo.

#### **Audience:**

Board listened to various members discuss the pros and cons of having an executive office at the District.

Firefighter John Catenacci requested having a 15-20 foot Christmas tree on District property and doing a tree lighting for the community sponsored by the Fire Company. Board discussed and gave permission to use District property.

There being no further business, Mr. Horan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm.

Second: Mr. Lengyel 5-0 all in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Horan, Secretary /rd