

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 1
330 Stillwells Corner Road
Freehold, NJ 07728**

Regular Meeting

November 14, 2023

Chairman John Toutouchi called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 6pm, and Chief Haas led the flag salute. Roll call was taken, and the Commissioners present at the meeting were John Toutouchi, Andrew Story and Michael Fogarty. Board Secretary-Rachel Davis was also present at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Fogarty read the November 14, 2023 Treasurer's Report into record.

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to transfer \$30,000 from Ocean First Money Market to Ocean First checking and to pay the bills in the amount of \$29,470.84.

Second: Mr. Story

Roll call vote: 3-0 all in favor

Mr. Fogarty added that he did receive the last payment from the Township.

Motion was made by Mr. Story to approve the minutes from the October 24, 2023 LOSAP, regular and executive meetings.

Second: Mr. Fogarty

Roll call vote: 3-0 all in favor

Chairman Toutouchi suspended the agenda for the regular meeting to go into an executive session.

Audience: (none)

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to go into executive session for personnel reasons at 6:01pm.

Second: Mr. Story

3-0 all in favor

(back from executive at 6:43pm)

Chief's Report: Chief Haas gave his report, and Mr. Toutouchi asked if he can make sure the bay doors are closed, as they have been left open. Mr. Toutouchi asked if Chief Haas could have the trucks moved, so that the floors can be done.

Commissioner Story updated on the CAD system. Mr. Story also confirmed the Indianapolis trip and will book three rooms. Mr. Story doesn't have the time to enter the data and figure out the ID system. A discussion was held if someone else can do it.

Commissioner Fogarty updated on the budget status. The budget will be introduced at the November 28th meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to spend up to \$90,000 (\$30,000 per house) out of the capital reserve for a sign at each building.

Second: Mr. Story

Roll call vote: 3-0 all in favor

OSHA is moving along, and there are minor things that need an extension.

Insurance: Commissioner Fogarty advised the Board that the insurance company informed him of the MFAP (Member Family Assistance Program), which is something new that they are offering for the health and wellbeing of members and their family. The cost is \$11.76 per active firefighter per year (total \$585/year).

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to spend \$11.76 per member per year on the MFAP insurance.

Second: Mr. Story

Roll call vote: 3-0 all in favor

The Board discussed amending a past motion regarding Associate members on the trucks.

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty that Associate members are allowed back on the trucks, but they are not allowed on a fire call.

Second: Mr. Story

Roll call vote: 3-0 all in favor

The Board discussed amending a past motion about personnel in the building while on medical.

Motion was made by Mr. Story that if you are on medical with the Fire Commissioners, you are not allowed in any buildings insured by the District and you are not allowed to ride on any District apparatus. If you are on medical with the Fire Company, then you are allowed in the building, but you cannot do anything firematic or ride on any District apparatus.

Second: Mr. Fogarty

Roll call vote: 3-0 all in favor

There being no further business, Mr. Fogarty made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm.

Second: Mr. Story

3-0 all in favor

Respectfully submitted,

John Toutouchi, Chairman

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