

# Board of Fire Commissioners

*District # 5*

P.O. Box 527

Howell, New Jersey 07731

3/14/2017

The monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners District # 5 was called to order at 8:00 PM at the Freewood Acres Fire Company. 17 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Howell, New Jersey by Chairman Charles A. Davison. Chairman Davison led the Pledge to the flag. In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Asbury Park Press, Tri-town News, and the Township of Howell. The yearly meeting schedule published in the Asbury Park Press, Tri town News, January 2017 and posted at town hall.

Roll Call: Davison, R. Donahue, J. Donahue, J.Hodges, Jager.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted with an exception to a miss spelled error which has been corrected (Donuhue) to (Donahue). With correction, the minutes were accepted as read with a resolution by R.Donahue, 2nd by Davison; roll call vote: All Yes.

At this portion of the meeting Richard Braslow Esq. by phone swore in R.Donahue to Commissioner vacancy.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received all reorganization resolutions from Board Attorney

COMMITTEE REPORT: No report at this time.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: Veronica Donahue, 31 Woodside Drive, requested the floor with questions for the Board. The Clerk requested a copy of her questions to attach to these minutes, along with the members' answers. Following Board answers are as follows: Question # 1, Yes, Yes. # 2 The Board members, based on their responsibility and title, perform numerous tasks during the month. #3 Yes. #4 The Board receives their entire budget from the taxpayers in our district via the Township of Howell. #5 All funds go to any Board approved lease and purchases, pertaining only to fire department vehicles, equipment, maintenance, training, etc. #6 Yes. #7 Yes. #8 Yes. #9 Yes. #10 I will do what I see fit with that check.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief is currently at a structure fire.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Motion to pay bills by Jager, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Donahue. Roll call vote: All yes. J.Donahue brought up a new fire responder system, which would be compatible with the other districts and dispatch in town, and would save the district money, was asked to table to

next month meeting due to lack of funds. J.Hodges stated not all minutes on townships website were posted. Treasurer and Clerk stated they will look into it. Also, J.Hodges requested a Fire Co. roster with members who are FF1 certified, and updated commissioner by-laws. Last request by J.Hodges was to see the election voter sign-in book. I the Clerk advised J.Hodges that I must speak to the Board Attorney first.

MEMBERSHIP: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT : Previous Balance: \$2,567.29. Spent: \$2,535.65 Monies on hand as of 3/14/2017, \$31.64. Motion by R. Donahue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Donahue to accept treasurer's report. All were in favor.

With no other business being brought before the Board, with a motion by Davison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jager the meeting was adjourned at 8:19.

Respectfully Submitted:

Randolph W. Jager  
Clerk

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