

Board of Fire Commissioners

District # 5

P.O. Box 527

Howell, New Jersey 07731

7/11/2017

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 5th 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, J. Donahue, R. Donahue, Hodges, Jager.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as read with a resolution by Hodges, 2nd by; J. Donahue roll call vote: All Yes.

CORRESPONDENCE: R. Donahue received members individual insurance policies and their physical certificates, which he will hand out next Monday. I, the Clerk received an Open Records Act Request form from Hodges requesting a copy of the voter sign in book for 2016/2017. Also I received a Loss Prevention Visit Confirmation Report from our insurance company.

- At this portion of the meeting, at 8:04 we got a visit from our Board Auditor Mr. Bart. He discussed our 2015/2016 Auditors Report and complete Financial Statements. Meeting resumed at approximately 8:16.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Hodges, after attending the Executive Board meeting, said the Board discussed Farmingdale Fire Department use of our fire radio channel without bearing no cost and concluded they wouldn't pursue this issue due to the amount of usage which is minimal. Also discussed was radio interference which has been an ongoing problem, and the Fire Bureau feels that another town may be causing this issue. Also discussed was the ready-set-go program.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: There was several residents concerned about J. Hodges wanting a copy of the voter sign in book because of voters' signatures, and questioned why he wanted copies for 2016/2017. Hodges reply was he wanted them for his personal records, and to see who voted. I, the Clerk recommended faxing our Board Attorney the request for review.

CHIEF'S REPORT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: J. Donahue stated he's working with the Alpine software company and the new pager system should be up and running in a few days. Also R. Donahue has been in discussion with our insurance company, Board Attorney and an Commissioner from Madison Fire District about obtaining an insurance rider for \$800,000 when we loan them our truck which is on July 23rd, our Attorney will draw up necessary legal documents which our insurance company requested.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion to pay bills by Jager, 2nd by J. Donahue. Roll call vote: All yes.

MEMBERSHIP: Catherine Barnes, Jeremy Brito.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Previous Balance: \$2,349.28 Deposit: \$210,254.33 Spent: \$73,537.61 Monies on hand as of 7/11/2017, \$139,066.00. Motion by J. Donahue, 2nd by Hodges to accept treasurer's report. All were in favor.

With no other business being brought before the Board, with a motion by J. Donahue, 2nd by Hodges the meeting was adjourned at 8:32.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Jager', written over a horizontal line.

Randolph W. Jager
Clerk