

Board of Fire Commissioners

District # 5

P.O. Box 527

Howell, New Jersey 07731

8/8/2017

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: I, Clerk Jager received from the Board accountant Mr. Bart the 2016 audit report which will be sent to the town's website to be posted publicly. Also, Hodges noticed that 2014 and 2015 audit reports were missing from the website, which I would look into.

COMMITTEE REPORT: J. Hodges, after attending the Executive Board meeting, reported the National night out was a success with a big turnout. Also mentioned was Howell day which is September 23rd, and it was recommended that we should use the ready-set-go and an open house program. The Fire Bureau completed the recording on the radio system because of the interference problem but problem still exists, but now are checking other stations in the area to see if that's the problem.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Barnes requested a replacement vehicle which was approved by the Board previously, and mentioned our fire trucks are due for their annual servicing which he will schedule for the end of the month, which includes the smaller vehicles. Also, all first aid kits are expired and need to be replaced.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: J. Donahue reported the new Alpine paging system is working well with a lot of up dated features.


NEW BUSINESS: Motion to pay bills by Hodges, 2nd by Jager. Roll call vote: All yes. J. Donahue brought up an emailed we received from Bureau Chief Lewis that the battery charger on West farms rd. is inoperable and each district cost would be \$120.00 to replace. A motion was made by R. Donahue, 2nd by J. Donahue, roll call vote: All Yes. Also, Chairman Davison requested a motion to purchase a vehicle for under \$35,000.00. The decision to get a 2018 Tahoe was made to be compatible with our existing fleet. Motion by J. Donahue, 2nd by Jager. Roll call vote: All Yes.

MEMBERSHIP: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Previous Balance: \$139,066.00, Deposit: \$0.00, Spent: \$14,791.50, Monies on hand as of 8/8/2017, \$124,274.50. 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 R. Donahue, 2nd by Hodges, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully Submitted:



Randolph W. Jager
Clerk

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