

# Board of Fire Commissioners

*District # 5*

P.O. Box 527

Howell, New Jersey 07731

10/16/2018

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 James Donahue. Chairman J. Donahue 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 2018 and posted at town hall.

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

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

CORRESPONDENCE: I, the Clerk received an email from Losap to establish Steve Schwartz's Service Awards package. Also, Steve Smith, a former vested participant, requested his annual certificate for Losap, which I located and tried to contact Mr. Smith by phone on several occasions to meet with him and to no avail.

COMMITTEE REPORT: R. Donahue who attended the Executive Board meeting stated progress.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Barnes was present during the meeting and stated that all apparatus has had its annual maintenance completed. The aerial tip has been ordered for 591, the fit-test machine has come in and is up and running including the fuel pumps which was repaired by DeMaio's.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The question was raised whether quotes were received to replace our servers and computers which was confiscated since March, and Chief Barnes stated he spoke to authorities which needed passwords for access and will be getting back our equipment as soon as their completed with their work.

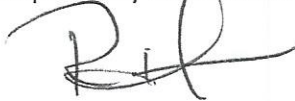
NEW BUSINESS: Motion to pay bills J. Donahue 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hodges. Third reading of the proposed By-Law change about the distance the Chief must live within the district boundaries which was written in the last two meeting to be two miles. After much discussion, the Board agreed to change the distance to one mile to which the crow flies, and to have a final roll call vote tonight. All was in favor.

MEMBERSHIP: Angel Liranzo is to be removed from the rolls due to his resignation, and Ian Litchfield to be reinstated as a member.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Previous Balance: \$85,475.72. Deposit \$188,978.75. New balance \$274,454.47. Spent: \$51,824.10. Monies on hand as of 10/16/2018, \$222,630.37. Motion by J Hodges, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R Jager to accept treasurer's report. All were in favor.

With no other business being brought before the Board, with a motion by R Donahue 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hodges, the meeting was adjourned at 2012 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted:



Randolph W. Jager  
Clerk