

**Board of Fire Commissioners**

**District #5**

**PO Box 527**

**Howell, New Jersey 07731**

**10/8/19**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners District #5 was called to order at 8:00PM at the Freewood Acres Fire Company. 17 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street Howell, NJ 07731 by Chairman Kenneth Harper. Chairman Harper led the pledge to the flag. In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey. Adequate notice of this was provided to the Asbury Park Press, The Tri-town News, and the Township of Howell. The yearly meeting schedule published in the Asbury Park Press, Tri-town News, and posted at Townhall.

Roll call; Z Arbakow, J Donahue, R Donahue, K Harper, J Hodges

Minutes from the previous meeting was printed and distributed. Motion by J Donahue to accept as written. Seconded by J Hodges. All in favor.

Correspondence; J Donahue reported that we received a check from VFIS for \$1700.00 for the repairs on the front bay door.

R Donahue reported that he talked with Defender about the repairs on 19-5-78. VFIS will be sending us a check to cover the repairs and he will bill us separately.

Commissioner Hodges submitted an OPRA request for the past two years lease agreement.

Chief Alicia asked if that was all the correspondence?

Committee Reports, J Hodges reported that the Planning Board discussed a new gas station in Adelfia.

Chief's report; Chief Lazzara reported that 19-5-90 was out of service. The company has three new junior members. Maintenance due on all the small support vehicles. Received three new pet oxygen masks.

Commissioner Hodges asked if he could get a monthly report on the company calls and asked about the status of him being but on IAR. Nothing yet was talking to the person who handles IAR.

Unfinished Business; J Hodges Questioned the changing of the meeting dates again. He is unavailable on Wednesdays and the meeting should be changed at a meeting or not at all.

Z Arbakow asked if there was any progress on the boat. Chief Lazzara stated they were still looking. J Hodges asked if we saw the boat in Wildwood?

New Business; Motion by J Donahue to pay the bills. Seconded by J Hodges. All in favor.

J Hodges ask what FP Solutions was? R Donahue stated that that was the stamp machine.

Membership; Got three new juniors and one new probationary member.

Financial Report; Starting balance \$188,210.95

Expenditures 49629.74

DEPOSITS \$200,932.75

Ending Balance \$ 379,513.96

Motion by R Donahue to accept the treasurers report as read. Seconded by J Hodges. All in favor

Commissioner Harper asked J Hodges if he received correspondence from Detective Ortenzi or Howell Police. J Hodges stated he was contacted to get a list of the company officers.

K Harper then asked why it wasn't brought back to the board. J Hodges stated he was acting as a civilian.

Chief Lazzara asked who had access to the building? Chief Lazzara was told that no commissioner had access.

K Harper asked how J Hodges got the list? J Hodges stated that he used his commissioners code to get in, but was acting as a civilian. K Harper asked why would a detective call a civilian to get a list. J Hodges stated that this was the first time he was called.

K Harper stated that it should have been brought up to the board.

With no other business before the board, A motion to adjourn by K Harper. Seconded by J Donahue.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM

Respectfully submitted



Robert M. Donahue