

Board of Fire Commissioners

District #5

PO Box 527

Howell, NJ 07731

6-9-20

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #5 was called to order at 20:00hrs at the Freewood Acres Fire Company, 17 East 5th Street, Howell NJ 07731 by Chairmen K Harper. In compliance with the open public meeting act of New Jersey. Adequate notice was provided to the Asbury Park Press, Tri-town News, and the Township of Howell. Meeting dates were published in the Asbury Park Press, Tri-town News, and posted at townhall.

Roll call was taken with the following present; Z Arbakow, J Donahue, R Donahue, J Harper, K Harper

Motion by R Donahue motioned to suspend the regular order of business to discuss the radio study with Richard Touroonjian. Seconded by K Harper. All in favor.

The board was advised that the study shows a large discrepancy in dispatch and radio communications. Not public grade standards or Avco compliant. The base station at police head quarters is also outdated. Options are to upgrade Police base station. Move to 800 Band at the cost of \$1,800,000.00. Move to 700 Band with the state police at the cost of 1,700,000.00. Discussion held about both options.

Motion by K Harper to return to normal business. Seconded by J Harper. All in favor.

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

Correspondence received from New Jersey DMV renewal registration. Dues from the NJSAFD.

J Donahue set up dates in August for all equipment testing.

Chief's Report

Chief Alicia reported that the stream lights are in, Paratech equipment are in, Received new masks. 19-5-90 needs to go out and have the front end looked at. 19-5-68 radio needs work. Requesting to pick up a couple of 6' hooks.

Old business

Chief Lazzara reported that he received prices on the Conex boxes. Prices are between \$1,300.00 and 1,700.00.

New Business

Motion by J Donahue to pay the bills. Seconded by K Harper. All in favor.

Motion by R Donahue to purchase four new Knox boxes to replace the outdated ones on the trucks. Seconded by J Donahue. All in favor.

Motion by J Donahue to purchase Six new hooks at the chief's request. Seconded by Z Arbakow. All in favor.

R Donahue reported that the bottom hose on 19-5-96 need to be replaced. Motion by J Harper to do repairs as needed. Seconded by K Harper. All in Favor.

Membership; None

Financial Report;

Opening balance	\$104,442.61
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Expenditures	\$14,553.44
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Ending balance	\$90,639.17
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Motion by K Harper to accept as read. Seconded by Z Arbakow. All in Favor.

With no further business before the board a Motion by Z Arbakow to adjourn, Seconded by J Harper.

Meeting adjourned at 21:10.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M Donahue

Clerk