

Board of Fire Commissioners

District #5

PO Box 527

Howell, NJ 07731

10-10-23

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District 5 was called to order at 20:00 at the Freewood Acres Fire Company. 17 East 5th Street, Howell NJ 07731 by Chairman K Harper 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, and posted at Town hall.

Roll call taken with the following present; R Donahue, J Harper, K Harper, S Koubek, K Mannik.

The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and read. Motion by K Harper to accept as written. Seconded by J Harper. All in favor.

Correspondence received from M Bart Accountant. 2022 audit almost complete will be at November's meeting.

Chief Lazarra reported all equipment in service. Working on the wish list for 2024. Requested to move the mobile radio out of the old 19-5-68 to the newer truck.

Old business, J Harper asked about the purchase of the welder/generator from last meeting. R Donahue stated it was discussed last meeting but no purchase was made yet. Discussion followed about an old purchase or buying a new generator that will handle a welder. Tabled until the next meeting to get prices.

New business Motion by S Koubek to pay the bills. Seconded by K Mannik. All in favor.

K Harper ask if the Fire Company could look into cutting the power bills down. Clerk will reach out to the President of the company to address the issue.

Financial report given by J Harper.

Opening balance	\$946,883.41
Expenditures	\$45,738.66
Deposits	\$215,894.25
Ending truck	\$853,218.78
Ending operations	\$235,159.79

Grand total \$1,088,428.50

Motion by K Mannik to accept the report as given. Seconded by S Koubek. All in favor.

With no further business before the Board, A motion by J Harper to adjourn, Seconded by S Koubek. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 20:58.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Donahue

Clerk