

Board of Fire Commissioners

District #5

PO Box 527

Howell, NJ 07731

4-11-23

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 was taken with the following present; R Donahue, J Harper, K Harper, S Koubek, K Mannik

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

Correspondence was received from VFRS concerning our insurance coverage.

Phone conversation with T Donahue VFRS concerning 19-5-91.

Chief Lazzara reported that all vehicles were up and running with the exception of 19-5-91.

The be-lay system that was ordered came in.

Two stream lights were ordered for 19-5-78 to replace broken ones.

Old business

R Donahue reported that the resolution for the shared services was completed and given to the township.

New business

Motion by K Harper to pay all monthly bills. Seconded by S Koubek. All in favor.

R Donahue stated that he received quotes for the new chief's vehicles on state contract.

K Harper brought up that Farmingdale Fire Company was selling their old brush truck. Discussion followed. Motion by R Donahue to offer Farmingdale \$7,500.00 for the truck. Seconded by

K Mannik. All in favor.

Motion by K Harper to open a seconded account at Wells Fargo bank for operations and close the account at Sandtander. Seconded by J Harper. All in favor.

K Harper stated that the board should hire a certified purchasing agent. Motion by J Harper to hire the certified purchasing agent. Seconded by S Koubek. All in favor.

K Harper motioned that the board should hire a co-counsel for our protection. Motion by K Harper to hire Kate Sendzik Esq. as co-counsel. Seconded by K Mannik. Discussion followed. All in favor.

Comments from the public. None

J Harper gave the financial report;

Opening balance	\$932,602.47
Expenditures	\$81,541.70
Deposits	\$183,297.61
Truck account	\$883,044.12
Operation account	\$160,298.06
Closing balance	\$1,043,342.18

Motion by R Donahue to except report as given. Seconded by S Koubek. All in favor.

With no further business before the board a motion by K Mannik to adjourn. Seconded by J Harper. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 21:37.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M Donahue

Clerk

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 5
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOWELL, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

FIRE DISTRICT BOND, SERIES 2023

DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE: April 4, 2023

The Commissioners of Fire District No. 5 in the Township of Howell, County of Monmouth (the "Fire District") hereby acknowledges itself indebted and for value received promises to pay to the Township of Howell, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the "Township"), or registered assigns, the principal sums on the dates and in the amounts set forth on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof and to pay interest on such sum from the DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE of this bond until payment in full at the interest rates per annum and in the amounts shown on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof. Interest and principal are payable to the Township at the Municipal Building located in Howell, New Jersey to the attention of the Chief Financial Officer, or at such other address as said Chief Financial Officer may, from time to time, direct. This bond is not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

Both principal of and interest on this bond is payable in lawful money of the United States of America and in immediately available funds.

This bond is one of an authorized issue of bonds of the Fire District and is issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-85, resolutions of the Fire District adopted on _____, 2022 and March ___, 2023, and a proposal approved by the legally qualified voters of the Fire District at a special election duly called and held on October 29, 2022.

The full faith and credit of the Fire District is hereby irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on, and all other amounts due under, this bond according to its terms.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or statutes of the State of New Jersey to exist, to have happened or to have been performed precedent to or in the issuance of this bond exist, have happened and have been performed and that the issue of bonds of which this is one, together with all other indebtedness of the Fire District, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by such Constitution or statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Commissioners of Fire District No. 5 in the Township of Howell, County of Monmouth has caused this bond to be executed in its name by the manual or facsimile signature of its Chairman, its corporate seal to be hereunto imprinted or affixed, this bond and the seal to be attested by the manual signature of its Secretary or Assistant Secretary, and this bond to be dated the DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE as specified above.

[SEAL]

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT
NO. 5 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOWELL,
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

ATTEST:

By: _____



Chairman


Secretary

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 5 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOWELL, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH CONCERNING REVIEW OF THE FINDINGS OF THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-7 WITH RESPECT TO A PROJECT FINANCING OF THE FIRE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the findings, received by The Commissioners of Fire District No. 5 in the Township of Howell, County of Monmouth (the "Fire District") on 14 MAR, 2023, issued by the Local Finance Board at a meeting of said Board, held on December 14, 2022, with respect to a project financing of the Fire District (the "Local Finance Board Findings") have been filed with the Secretary of the Fire District and a copy of such findings has been received by each member of the governing body of the Fire District; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-7 requires that the governing body of the Fire District, within 45 days of receipt of the Local Finance Board Findings, shall certify by resolution to the Local Finance Board that each member of the Fire District has personally reviewed the Local Finance Board Findings, as evidenced by a group affidavit which has been executed by each member of the Fire District, where failure to comply with this requirement may result in penalty provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:27BB-51; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that The Commissioners of Fire District No. 5 in the Township of Howell, County of Monmouth hereby states that it has complied with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-7 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to the Local Finance Board to evidence such compliance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the Fire District have reviewed the Local Finance Board Findings, and hereby reaffirm their commitment to proceed with the development and implementation of its project financing.

The foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the governing body of The Commissioners of Fire District No. 5 in the Township of Howell, County of Monmouth at a meeting thereof duly called and held on 14 MAR, 2023.


_____, Secretary

[SEAL]



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PHILIP D. MURPHY
Governor

LT. GOVERNOR SHEILA Y. OLIVER
Commissioner

**LOCAL FINANCE BOARD
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the officials of the Township of Howell, in the County of Monmouth, have requested the Local Finance Board to consider approval of a bond ordinance without a down payment provided that an exception to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11 may be determined by the Local Finance Board as permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(d); and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has certified that the governing body passed on first reading the following Bond Ordinance:

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TOWNSHIP'S COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWNSHIP, THE BOROUGH OF FARMINGDALE AND THE SEVERAL FIRE DISTRICTS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP, APPROPRIATING \$4,160,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,160,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF HOWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-21-19

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has reviewed and considered on December 14, 2022, the application made pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(d) and found the subject ordinance to be in the public interest and for the health, welfare, convenience or betterment of the inhabitants of such local unit; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has found that the amounts to be expended or financed are not unreasonable or exorbitant and that the issuance of such obligations will not materially impair the credit of such local unit or substantially reduce its ability to pay punctually the principal of and interest on its debt and to supply other essential public improvements;

Local Finance Board
Township of Howell
December 14, 2022

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Local Finance Board that said Board does hereby give consent to the adoption of such Bond Ordinance without the inclusion of a down payment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Secretary of the Local Finance Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify or endorse such documents or instruments as may be necessary, convenient or desirable in order to carry out the purpose and provisions of the Law and this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Howell shall, within 30 days of the closing date of the financing that is the subject of this resolution, file with the Executive Secretary of the Local Finance Board a statement setting forth a complete accounting of the actual issuance costs incurred by the Township of Howell in undertaking the financing which statement shall include the following: the name of Township of Howell; the closing date of the financing; the total amount of the financing; the name of the professionals or others who provided services to the Township of Howell in undertaking the financing; the estimated dollar amount for each type of issuance cost as set forth in the application submitted by the Township of Howell to the Local Finance Board with regard to the financing; and the actual dollar amount for each type of issuance cost incurred by the Township of Howell in undertaking the financing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED BY THE
LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

DATE: December 14, 2022



NICHOLAS BENNETT
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
LOCAL FINANCE BOARD



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**CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY
OF LOCAL FINANCE BOARD**

I, **NICHOLAS BENNETT**, Executive Secretary of the Local Finance Board in the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the within Bond Ordinance approving the issuance not to exceed the amount of \$4,160,000 Bond(s) and/or Notes by the Township of Howell in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(d) has been and is consented to and approved by the Local Finance Board and that this approval is hereby endorsed upon the annexed copy of the resolution pursuant to the authorization and direction of the Local Finance Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at Trenton, New Jersey, this 21st day of December, 2022.


NICHOLAS BENNETT
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

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**LOCAL FINANCE BOARD
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, a proposed project financing has been submitted to the Local Finance Board for review pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-6 by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has held a hearing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-7 on December 14, 2022, to review a proposed project financing in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to finance the District's share of the cost of various improvements to the Township's communication infrastructure, including construction of a new 150 foot tower, construction of shelters at various locations, and acquisition of various items of communication equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has given consideration to those matters, to the extent applicable, as provided for by Law, and has examined estimates, computations or calculations made in connection with such submissions and has required the production of such papers, documents, witnesses or information and taken such action which it has deemed necessary for its review of such submission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Local Finance Board does hereby make the following findings:

- a) that the project cost has been determined by reasonable and accepted methods;
- b) that the method proposed for the funding of the project cost, proposed or maximum terms and provision of the financing and of a proposed service contract are not unreasonable nor impracticable, and would not impose an undue and unnecessary financial burden on the local inhabitants within the Authority's jurisdiction or would not materially impair the ability to pay promptly the principal of and the interest on the outstanding indebtedness thereof or to provide essential public services to the inhabitants thereof;
- c) that the proposed or maximum terms and conditions of the sale are, in light of current market conditions for obligations of similar quality, reasonable;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Local Finance Board does not deem it necessary to make any of the recommendations with regard to this project financing which the Board is authorized to make pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-8; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5 shall, within 30 days of the closing date of the financing that is the subject of this resolution, file with the Executive Secretary of the Local Finance Board a statement setting forth a complete accounting of the actual issuance costs incurred by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5 in undertaking the financing which statement shall include the following: the name of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5; the closing date of the financing; the total amount of the financing; the name of the professionals or others who provided services to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5 in undertaking the financing; the estimated dollar amount for each type of issuance cost as set forth in the application submitted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5 to the Local Finance Board with regard to the financing; and the actual dollar amount for each type of issuance cost incurred by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Howell Fire District No. 5 in undertaking the financing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the details of the issuance of any permanent bonds associated with this application as included in the term sheet (closing statement) shall be promptly provided to the Executive Secretary by forwarding a copy of said term sheet (closing statement); and

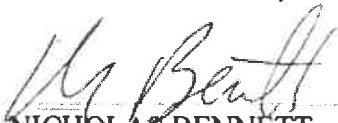
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Secretary of the Local Finance Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify or endorse such documents or instruments as may be necessary, convenient or desirable in order to carry out the purpose and provisions of the Law and this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-7, the governing body of the Authority shall provide to the Executive Secretary within 45 days of receipt of this resolution, the required Authority resolution and affidavit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED BY:
THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

DATE: December 14, 2022


NICHOLAS BENNETT
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

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5-9-23

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

Communications received from VFRS concerning invoices for Building and Vehicles. Testing on 19-5-91, and the transportation of 19-5-91 back from the repair shop.

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and read. A Motion by J Harper to accept as written. Seconded by S Koubek. Motion carried.

Chief Lazzara reported that 19-5-68 was out of service, 19-5-66 was going into the shop for maintenance of the front hubs. Chief asked about an update on the chips for the computers? Advised that progress was being made. Requested to purchase two new K-12 saws. Had a meeting with the OEM Director about updating our technical rescue abilities, OEM might be able to foot the bill.

Old business K Harper asked if we could get rid of the old gear that is no longer in service. Atlantic response is interested in the gear. R Donahue stated that was not a problem, we would just need a hold harmless agreement signed. All in favor.

19-5-91 was looked over by the board after the repairs were finished. Minor issues found and the repair company to fix before delivery.

New business Motion by K Harper to pay all bills. Seconded by K Mannik. All in favor.

K Harper reported that the deal with Farmingdale concerning the purchase of there old brush unit fell through.

J Harper advised progress on opening the new account at Wells Fargo Bank.

R Donahue stated that he received the quotes on State Contract for the new chief's vehicles.

S Koubek asked about any progress on the new boat? R Donahue advised will work on it after we get the new purchasing agent hired.

J Harper motioned for the Board to buy two new lap top computers to replace out dated ones. Seconded by S Koubek. All in favor.

Membership. None

Comments from the floor. None

Financial report given by Commissioner J Harper.

Opening balance	\$1,043,342.18
Expenditures	\$88,635.34
Closing balance	\$954,706.84
Truck account	\$794,408.78
Operating account	\$160,298.01

Motion by K Mannik to accept as read. Seconded by S Koubek. Motion carried.

With no further business before the board a Motion by J Harper to adjourn. Seconded by K Mannik.

Meeting adjourned at 21:27

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Donahue

Clerk