

Board of Commissioners

District #5

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Howell, NJ 07731

14 Oct 2025

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 New Jersey. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Asbury Park Press, Howell Times, and the Township of Howell. The yearly meeting schedule was published in the Asbury Park Press, Howell Times, and posted at town hall.

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

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and read. Motion by K Mannik to accept as written. Second by T Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

Correspondence received from Sendzik Esq. concerning upcoming elections.

M Bart Accountant presented the audit for 2024. Having a clean and unmodified opinion. Motion by R Donahue to adopt a resolution to accept the audit. Second by K Harper. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

Chief's report given by Assistant Chief Donahue delivered Wishlist for 2026. Four new members joined.

Old business, K Harper notified the board that Rosenbauer wants to have a zoom meeting about the new tanker. Active 911 will not be renewed when the subscription runs out.

New business, Motion by T Koubek to pay the monthly bills. Second by K Mannik. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. There will be a budget meeting on 3 Nov 2025. R Donahue advised the Chief that we need a list of everything that's being discarded. K Harper reported a company from south Jersey interested in the old tanker. Zoom meeting Friday with Rosenbauer. 2026 truck to be delivered to body shop at the end of October. Engineers need parts to fix air system in back room.

Financial report given by J Harper.

Opening balance \$537,328.48

Expenditures	\$87,805.62
Deposits	\$220,644.25
Ending operations	\$254,837.11
Ending Capital	\$358,939,48
Total	\$613,776.59

Motion by K Mannik to accept the treasurers report as given. Second by T Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

With no further business before the board, A motion by J Harper to adjourn. Second by K Mannik. Meeting adjourned at 21:39.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M Donahue

Clerk