## **Board of Fire Commissioners**

District #5

PO Box 527

Howell. NJ 07731

11 Mar 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 5<sup>th</sup> Street Howell, NJ 07731 by Chaiman 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, Howell Times, and the township of Howell. The yearly meeting schedule was published in the Asbury Park Press, Howell Times, and posted in the town hall. Seconded by K. Mannik.

Second by K. Mannik.

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 J Harper to accept the report as written. Seconded by K Mannik. Roll call vote taken, motion carried.

Correspondence received New Jersey Division of Fraud concerning a past employee. Contract received from Sendsik Esq. for legal services.

Chief J Donahue reported that the department needs more radios. Discussion held under new business.

Old business, K Mannik asked if anything was being done about a boat. General consensus to push it off to the future, not there yet.

New business, Motion by K Harper to pay monthly bills. Seconded by T Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

J. Harper brought up an insurance proposal from the Nottingham Insurance Company. The clerk will look into it and bring it back for the next meeting.

Chief Donahue asked to purchase more radios and chargers for the company. Discussion held and a Motion by J Harper to purchase the amount of communication equipment that we can through the purchasing officer. Seconded by T Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

Financial report given by Treasurer J Harper.

Opening balance \$513,281.91

Expenditures \$95,940.52

Deposits \$1,598.35

Operations \$60,000.00

Capital \$358,939.94

Total \$418,939.94

Motion by K Mannik to accept the report as given. Seconded by K Harper. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

With no farther business before the board, A motion by J Harper to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by K Mannik.

Meeting adjourned at 21:48.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M Donahue

Clerk