

# Board of Fire Commissioners

## District #5

PO Box 527

Howell, NJ 07731

12 Aug 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #5, was called to order at the Freewood Acres Fire Company. 17 East 5<sup>th</sup> 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, 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.

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

No correspondence received.

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and read. Motion by J Harper to accept with the following corrections: change 250 to 450 on the new truck. Second by K Mannik. Roll call taken with all in favor.

Chief J. Donahue reported that the Fuelforce system needs updating. All gear and hoses have been ordered. Chief asked about the radio order. R Donahue stated he was waiting on quotes. Chief Alicia has a plan for the training area and proposed uses. Hose testing has been pushed back until the end of August.

K Harper reported under New business that the new tanker will be finished soon, and he'll check on the F-450.

New business, Motion by K Mannik to pay all bills. Second by T Koubek. Roll call vote taken, all in favor.

Discussion held on Commissioner R Donahue's voucher for legal expenses, a Letter given from the lawyer approving the same. Motion by K Harper to pay the bill. Second by K Mannik. Roll call vote taken with 4 yes votes and 1 Abstention { R Donahue}.

Financial report given by J Harper.

Opening balance	\$362,370.27
Expenditures	\$23,621.62
Deposits	\$198,579.83
Operations	\$178,388.54

Capital \$358,939.04

Ending balance \$537,328.48

Motion by K Mannik to accept the 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 21:17.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M Donahue

Clerk