# THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

DISTRICT No. 4 — RAMTOWN
HOWELL TOWNSHIP MONMOUTH COUNTY
88 RAMTOWN-GREENVILLE RD.
HOWELL, N.J. 07731-2790

## Workshop Meeting January 7, 2019

Chairman Scarlato called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Scarlato read the following legal disclosure:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting its interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 4, Township of Howell, has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, place, and agenda, to the extent know thereof, posted as follows:

- Published in the Asbury Park Press on December 20, 2018
- Published in the Howell Times on December 29, 2018
- Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on December 17, 2018
- Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building
- Posted on www.njfiredistricts.org

The above postings indicate that Formal Action May Be Taken.

Roll call was taken with Commissioners Scarlato, Bommer, Stalling, Bailey, and Acampora all in attendance.

It was recorded that there zero (-0-) members of the public present.

### **Critical Correspondence**

Clerk Acampora noted all incoming and outgoing correspondence. All items were discussed and the full detailed listing will be presented at the regular business meeting.

#### **Old Business:**

The additional work for Ladder 490 will be started in January with the hope of all work being completed by the end of January. The truck will be out of service at the service vendors shop for approximately 3-4 weeks.

MSA has provided a rough time for receipt of the new SCBAs as to late February 2019.

The Joint Board has decided to form a Communications Committee to address all radio issues. The committee will consist of the one (1) commissioner and one (1) line office from each

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district. The Board noted that Commissioner Bommer will be the Board's representative on this committee. The line officers have chosen Chief Gotto to be their representative.

#### **New Business:**

Fire fighter Lawlor turned in a stipend check from 2015 that was never cashed. The Board has determined that the accountant had voided that check in 2017. The Board will re-issue a replacement check.

It was also noted that fire fighter Danny Gaul was not included in the 2018 stipend payments. Chairman Scarlato will inform Chief Gott of this error and his percentage will be provided to the Board and the stipend check will be issued.

Two (2) fire fighters were unable to enroll in the fire fighter I class at the Monmouth County Fire Academy. The line officers are going to request that we send them to the Middletown Fire Academy. The charge is approximately \$450 per fire fighter. The Board discussed this and is in agreement that this will be the only time that we will make an exception to sending our fire fighters to another fire academy.

The Board elections will be held on Saturday, February 16, 2019 from 2pm - 9pm. The voting machine will be delivered on 2/14/19 and the keys and voter list will be picked up in Freehold on 2/15/19. The Board will ask Rob Lawlor, Rich, Robertiello, and Max Nikolof to be the election officials for the day.

**Executive Session: None** 

New Truck: None

Payroll: None

**Treasurers Report:** Following the completion of the voucher and check entry by Treasurer Stalling, he reported 17 bills totaling \$18,981.33. In order to cover the expenses, \$20,000.00 will be transferred to the General account. The Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Commissioner Bailey. The Motion passed unanimously by the board.

Good and Welfare: None noted

**Public Comment:** There were zero (-0-) members of the public present and there was no public comment offered.

**Adjournment:** This concluded the business for the workshop, so a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Commissioner Stalling. Motion passed unanimously by the board.

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The meeting was closed at 20:30 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

Michael L. Acampora

Clerk

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