# THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

### **REORGANIZATION MEETING March 12, 2019**

Chairman Gregory Scarlato called the meeting to order at 19:30 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 noted that there were zero (-0-) members of the public in attendance

Chairman Scarlato noted that the sole purpose of the tonight's meeting is to reorganize the business positions for the year 2019.

Vice Chairman William Bommer issued the Oath of Office to newly elected commissioners Gregory Scarlato and Richard Stalling. After administering the oath of office, Commissioner Scarlato and Stalling were congratulated by all in attendance.

The Board members discussed the five (5) business positions that need to be filled for 2019. Upon conclusion of the Board's discussion, it was decided that the Board seats will be filled as listed below:

Chairman – Gregory E. Scarlato Vice Chairman – William R. Bommer Treasurer – Richard H. Stalling Purchaser/Financial Secretary – James Bailey Clerk – Michael L. Acampora

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Commissioner Stalling made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Bommer, to accept the commissioners and their new positions as stated above. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Commissioner Stalling made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Bommer, that all previous appointments for the district's auditor, legal counsel, and official newspaper would remain the same 2019, with those named appointments being enumerated below. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board.

Commissioner Stalling made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Bommer, stipulating that all stipends, meeting expenses, and reimbursement for losses would be paid at the same rates as in 2018, and specifying that the Reimbursement for Losses (commonly referred to as the "clothing allowance"), would not be capped at 100%; as long as the Board has sufficient funds to pay above the 100% figures, as previously established and provided for the Board. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board.

For the record, it is again noted that the Commissioner's Meeting Allowance is \$225.00 per meeting, less any amounts deducted and retained by the Board for payment of their taxes and pensions

The officers and appointments for 2019 are as follows:

Chairman

Vice Chairman Clerk

Assistant Clerk

Treasurer

Assistant Treasurer Purchaser/Financial Secretary

**Executive Board Representative** 

**Executive Board Alternate** 

Legal Newspaper Financial Accountant

Auditor

Attorney Meeting Allowance Clerk's stipend Treasurer's stipend

Purchaser/Financial Secretary stipend

Gregory E. Scarlato

William R. Bommer

Michael L. Acampora William R. Bommer

Richard H. Stalling

Gregory E. Scarlato James Bailey

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The Asbury Park Press Barry J. Osborn, CPA

Mohel Elliott Bauer & Gass CPAs PA

Jay C. Sendzik, Esq. \$225.00 per meeting \$3,000.00 annually \$1,500.00 annually

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Absences from meeting will be reviewed and approved at the discretion of the Board members.

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Line Officer stipends and other stipends for 2019 are as follows:

Chief	\$675.000
1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief	\$600.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief	\$500.00
Captain	\$475.00
Lieutenant	\$475.00
Training	\$550.00
Safety	\$400.00
Chief Engineer	\$675.00
Assistant Engineer	\$475.00
Clothing allowance	\$5.00 per % point

Clerk Acampora reported the election/budget results were certified to both Trenton and the appropriate municipal officials.

### **Public Comment: None**

This concluded the business of reorganization, so a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Stalling, seconded by Commissioner Acampora, and passed by the board.

The meeting closed at 19:45 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

Michael L. Acampora

Clerk

Howell Board of Fire Commissioners

District 4