

# 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 2, 2020

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

Vice Chairman Bommer 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 18, 2019
- Published in the Howell Times on December 21, 2019
- Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on December 16, 2019
- Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building
- Posted on [www.njfiredistricts.org](http://www.njfiredistricts.org)

The above postings indicate that Formal Action May Be Taken.

Roll call was taken with Commissioners Bommer, Bailey, and Acampora all in attendance. Commissioner Scarlato and Stalling were not in attendance

It was noted that there were zero (-0-) members of the public in attendance

Vice Chairman Bommer noted that the sole purpose of the tonight's meeting is to reorganize the business positions for the year 2020.

Vice Chairman William Bommer issued the Oath of Office to newly elected commissioner James Bailey. After administering the oath of office, Commissioner Bailey was congratulated by all in attendance.

The Board members discussed the five (5) business positions that need to be filled for 2020. 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 Bailey made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Acampora, to accept the commissioners and their new positions as stated above. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Commissioner Bailey made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Acampora, that all previous appointments for the district's auditor, legal counsel, and official newspaper would remain the same 2020, with those named appointments being enumerated below. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board.

Commissioner Bailey made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Acampora, stipulating that all stipends, meeting expenses, and reimbursement for losses would be paid at the same rates as in 2019, 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.

Commissioner Bailey made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Acampora to change the stipends for the commissioners to an annual stipend based on the average stipends paid for 2019 and 2018. The annual stipends are listed below. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

The officers and appointments for 2020 are as follows:

Chairman	Gregory E. Scarlato
Chairman's annual stipend	\$10,575.00
Vice Chairman	William R. Bommer
Vice Chairman's annual stipend	\$10,750.00
Clerk	Michael L. Acampora
Clerk's annual stipend	\$11,200.00
Assistant Clerk	William R. Bommer
Treasurer	Richard H. Stalling
Treasurer's annual stipend	\$9,600.00
Assistant Treasurer	Gregory E. Scarlato
Purchaser/Financial Secretary	James Bailey
Purchaser/Financial Secretary's annual stipend	\$9,600.00
Legal Newspaper	The Asbury Park Press
Financial Accountant	Barry J. Osborn, CPA
Auditor	Mohel Elliott Bauer & Gass CPAs PA
Attorney	Jay C. Sendzik, Esq.
Meeting Allowance for additional meetings	

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added throughout the year      \$275.00 per meeting  
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Absences from meeting will be reviewed and approved at the discretion of the Board members.

Line Officer stipends and other stipends for 2020 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 19:15 hours.

Respectfully submitted:



Michael L. Acampora  
Clerk  
Howell Board of Fire Commissioners  
District 4