

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

Regular Meeting October 13, 2020

Chairman Gregory Scarlato called the meeting to order at 20:00 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 ensure 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

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 three (3) members of the public in attendance.

Administering the Oath of Office: None

Commissioner Acampora reported that the regular workshop Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2020 were posted on the Fire Company Bulletin Board outside the meeting room at the firehouse. He then read the minutes from the regular business meeting on September 15, 2020.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Commissioner Bailey. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Commissioner Bailey presented the following bills for payment for the month of October 2020:

Bills	Amount
defender	\$ 17,215.04
Vfis	\$ 4,733.00
liberty mutual	\$ 2,903.44
Csm	\$ 712.00

Netlink	\$ 398.00
Nfpa	\$ 126.45
Taylor oil	\$ 805.85
all hands fire	\$ 1,250.00
Cit	\$ 96.75
NJ American water	\$ 3,358.00
optimum	\$ 339.16
penguin management	\$ 1,548.00
Verizon	\$ 304.08
Grainger	\$ 703.31
Edwards tire	\$ 588.76
access health	\$ 7,015.00
brick township dist 3	\$ 1,614.00
Atlas	\$ 93.18
access health	\$ 360.00
m and t bank	\$ 22,869.60
ESI	\$ 13,005.00
Totals	\$ 80,038.62

A motion was made by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Clerk Acampora to pay the bills for August 2020. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

- Scarlato – Yes
- Bommer – Yes
- Stalling - Yes
- Bailey – Yes
- Acampora – Yes

The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Received

- Fire & Safety Services purchase receipt for new Wildland Pumper
- Request for LOSAP withdrawal from Fire Fighter #02
- Koerner & Koerner – welcome e-mail
- Service Agreement – WG Newberry, LLC

Sent: None

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COMMITTEES

Joint Board Meeting

Next board meeting is 12/3/2020 at Station 19-2

Chief's Report

All monthly reports were turned in for review the Board

Lt. Chris Maher has resigned from his position, as he has moved out of the district.

Chief Engineer

Ladder 490 – Still need front end alignment

Engine 475 – Hose bed tarp has been replaced

Engine 480 - no issues

Tanker 495 – no issues

Bush 494 – new magnito has been installed to correct the pump issues

Utility 487 – front seat still needs to be fixed

Purchaser:

1250 Motorola batteries – voucher has been submitted to the vendor and batteries should be sent soon.

Officer and fire fighter name tags for new gear have arrived and will be held by the Chief until the new gear arrives.

EMS bags need to be returned

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Bommer to replace the tires on Bruch 494 at a cost not to exceed \$1,150. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Bommer to purchase a new 2nd Assistant Chief's helmet for year 2021. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

TRUCK COMMITTEE:

The purchase receipt has been received from Fire & Safety reflecting the order has been placed for a new Wildlands pumper.

OLD BUSINESS:

There will be meeting with William Newberry, the new QPA for 2021, to discuss how the process will work. The meeting will be 10/15/2020 at 7pm.

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NEW BUSINESS:

The Board received a request for a LOSAP withdrawal from Ramtown fire fighter # 2020-02. Clerk Acampora reviewed the request and has verified that the fire fighter has met all criteria for receiving a distribution. A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Bommer to approve the request for distribution. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Our attorney, auditor, and new accountant were at last nights workshop meeting to discuss the 2021 budget.

GOOD AND WELFARE: None

JOINT PURCHASING COMMITTEE: None

APPLICATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

The following new applicant were approved by the Ramtown Fire Company and submitted to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to accept the following new members, as submitted by the Ramtown Fire Company:

Michael Bruce
Hannah Farey

The motion unanimously passed by the Board.

The also submitted the following list of fire fighters that have been removed from the rolls of the Ramtown Fire Company:

Karina O'Neill
Brett Dragun
Jamie Palitto

A motion was made by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to accept the above-named fire fighters as being removed form the rolls of the Ramtown Fire Company. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

PAYROLL: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Commissioner Stalling reported the following balances for the Board's account activity for the month of October 2020:

October 2020	
Operating Account	
Opening Balance	\$35,021.72
Interest	\$4.80

Canceled Checks	
Transfers	\$90,000.00
	<u>\$125,026.52</u>

NJ PERS TEPS	
Bills Paid	\$80,038.62
Bills Paid	
Bills	
Service Charge	
Ending Balance	<u>\$44,987.90</u>

Savings Account

Opening balance	\$2,333,793.69
Deposit (Howell Twp)	\$221,894.75
Interest	\$587.87
	<u>\$2,556,276.31</u>

Transfers	\$90,000.00
Ending Balance	<u>\$2,466,276.31</u>

Payroll Account

Opening Balance	\$23,537.61
Interest	\$2.25
Transfer	
ADP	
	<u>\$23,539.86</u>

Payroll	\$10,273.53
Fees	\$5,153.42
Fees	\$132.93
Ending Balance	<u>\$7,979.98</u>

The Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by Commissioner Acampora and seconded by Commissioner Bommer and passed unanimously by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were three (3) members of the public in attendance at the end of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

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ADJOURNMENT: This concluded the business before the Board, so a motion was made by Commissioner Bommer and seconded by Commissioner Stalling to close the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

The meeting closed at 20:35 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael L. Acampora", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Michael L. Acampora
Clerk