

# THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

## Regular Meeting November 9, 2021

Chairman Gregory Scarlato called the meeting to order at 20:20 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, 2020
- Published in the Howell Times on December 21, 2020
- Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on December 16, 2020
- 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 Scarlato, Bommer, Bailey, Stalling, and Acampora all in attendance.

It was noted that there were two (27) members of the public in attendance.

### Administering the Oath of Office: None

Commissioner Acampora reported that the regular workshop Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2021, 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 October 12, 2021.

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

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Commissioner Bailey presented the following bills for payment for the month of November 2021:

	<b>Bills</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	Witmer	\$ 4,540.00
2	Common Cents	\$ 6.50
3	Defender	\$ 6,103.43

4	Liberty Mutual	\$ 3,825.94
5	CIT	\$ 96.75
6	Fire & Safety	\$ 3,476.23
7	Verizon	\$ 583.17
8	NJ American Water	\$ 3,778.48
9	Optimum	\$ 169.83
10	NET Link	\$ 199.00
11	Witmer	\$ 42,087.50
12	Taylor Oil	\$ 327.89
13	State of NJ Dept of Labor	\$ 7.50
14	Toms River Fire Academy	\$ 150.00
15	UL	\$ 87.50
16	Sendzik & Sendzik	\$ 252.70
17	Sendzik & Sendzik	\$ 3,685.50
18	Grainger	\$ 159.80
19	Witmer public safety group	\$ 4,876.00
20	Witmer public safety group	\$ 7,567.44
21	access compliance	\$ 380.00
22	jersey coast fire equipment	\$ 90.00
	<b>Total Bills</b>	<b>\$ 82,451.16</b>

A motion was made by Clerk Acampora and seconded by Commissioner Bommer to pay the bills for November 2021. 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

Monthly purchase report from William Newberry  
 Sendzik & Sendzik - Notice of Public Meetings 2022  
 Affidavit of Publication  
 Resolutions, Synopsis of Audit, Certification sent to State of NJ  
 Pension interest payments for Eadicicco, Stalling, and Scarlato  
 Pension payment figures for Prudential for Stalling and Scarlato  
 Township resolution for Commissioner Compensation  
 NJ State Associations of Fire Districts meeting minutes from 9/17/21  
 CNC3 form received from Howell Township  
 Fire Bureau reports for October 2021

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Access Services pricing list for 2022

Purchasers update from William Newberry

Budget information from Steve Burns – Koerner & Koerner

Motorola Solutions- notice of abandoned property/account balance

**Sent:**

None

## **COMMITTEES**

### **Joint Board Meeting**

Next Meeting will be held on 12/1/2021 at 19:30 hours at Station 19-1.

### **Chief's Report**

No officers were in attendance due to work schedules and no reports were turned in.

Chairman Scarlato noted that the line officers will be notified the 2021 percentage report will need to be posted for fire fighter review by 11/16/21 and will remain posted until 12/1/21. All appeals will need to be filed during this period. The final percentage list will be turned over to Board on 12/1/21.

### **Chief Engineer**

Chief Engineer Gilsenan provided the following report:

Ladder 490 – O2 bottle for the ladder has been hydrotested and installed

Engine 475 – oil pressure switch has been replaced

Engine 480 – no issues

Tanker 495- one (1) additional valve needs to be replaced

Vehicle 486 – no issues

Bush 494 – no issues

Utility 487 – no issues

Vehicle 466 – no issues

Vehicle 467 – no issues

All of the hoses have been replaced on the snow plow by Sal Scarlato and Max Nikolof, as the hoses were old and rotted.

### **Purchaser:**

QPA William Newberry has provided an updated report via email addressing all equipment ordered and the status of additional items on order.

Commissioner Bailey stated that the stickers for the new SCBAs have been ordered and when received, the representative will install the stickers. He also stated the nozzle for the high-rise pack has not been received yet.

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## TRUCK COMMITTEE:

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New Engine: Chassis is slated for delivery to the plant by 12/20/21

New Command Vehicle: No Update

## OLD BUSINESS: None

## NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Bommer, to pass Resolution 11092021-01 Resolution Authorizing Notice of Public Meetings Pursuant to NJSA 10:4-18. A roll call vote was taken with the following result:

Scarlato – Yes

Bommer – Yes

Stalling – Yes

Bailey – Yes

Acampora – Yes

The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

The 2022 Board meeting schedule will be posted at the fire house and a copy will also be sent to the fire company.

Sendzik and Sendzik has provided us with the DCRP figures for fire fighters Stalling, Scarlato, and Eadicicco. The Board will pay these fire fighters the funds that they are owed. The Board is still waiting for the final pension figures from Sendzik & Sendzik for fire fighter Robert Kelly.

## GOOD AND WELFARE:

Life member and fire fighter Merle Charters passed away at his home in Florida. Clerk Acampora will be filing the death claim benefit with our insurance company.

Fire fighter William Gotto received a head injury at the Monmouth County Pipeline drill in Long Branch on 11/6/21. He was taken to Monmouth Medical Center via ambulance and was treated and released. The workers comp claim paperwork has been filed.

## JOINT PURCHASING COMMITTEE: None

## APPLICATIONS/TERMINATIONS: None

## PAYROLL: None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Commissioner Bailey reported the following balances for the Board's account activity for the month of November 2021:

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November 2021

## Operating Account

Opening Balance	\$34,975.36
Interest	\$6.10
Canceled Checks	
Transfers	<u>\$80,000.00</u>
	<b>\$114,981.46</b>

## NJ PERS TEPS

Bills Paid	\$82,451.16
Bills Paid	
Bills (Radio Consulting)	
Service Charge	<u></u>
Ending Balance	<b>\$32,530.30</b>

## Savings Account

Opening balance	\$2,711,685.55
Deposit	
Interest	<u>\$429.55</u>
	<b>\$2,712,115.10</b>

Transfers	<u>\$80,000.00</u>
Ending Balance	<b>\$2,632,115.10</b>

## Payroll Account

Opening Balance	\$5,631.23
Interest	\$0.68
Transfer	
ADP	<u>\$62.95</u>
	<b>\$5,694.86</b>

Payroll	
Fees	
Fees	
Ending Balance	<u><b>\$5,694.86</b></u>

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The Treasurer's report was accepted on behalf of the Board by Clerk Acampora and seconded by Commissioner Bommer and passed unanimously by the Board.

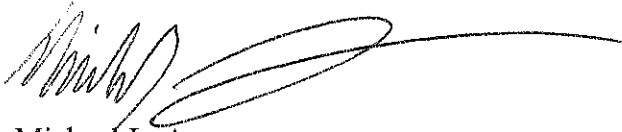
**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were two (2) members of the public in attendance at the end of the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

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

The meeting closed at 20:30 hours.

Respectfully submitted:



Michael L. Acampora  
Clerk