

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

Regular Meeting March 8, 2022

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 November 17, 2021
- Published in the Howell Times on November 27, 2021
- Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on November 15, 2021
- 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, Bailey, Stalling, Romano, and Acampora all in attendance.

It was noted that there were four (4) members of the public in attendance.

Administering the Oath of Office: None

Minutes:

Commissioner Acampora reported that the regular workshop Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2022, 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 February 8, 2022.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Commissioner Bailey presented the following bills for payment for the month of March 2022:

	Bills	Amount
1	t t coast	\$ 1,052.64
2	air power international	\$ 2,040.00

3	cit	\$ 96.75
4	Gregory Scarlato	\$ 14.16
5	Verizon wireless	\$ 380.16
6	radio study consultant	\$ 1,957.50
7	Taylor oil	\$ 651.32
8	alpine software	\$ 7,327.38
9	koener-koener	\$ 573.50
10	vfis	\$ 393.34
11	Roberts electronics	\$ 130.00
12	capital one trade credit	\$ 42.64
13	csm	\$ 356.00
14	mohel elliott baurer and glass	\$ 4,375.00
15	liberty mutual	\$ 9,388.00
16	premier graphics	\$ 345.00
17	asbury park press	\$ 114.20
18	Michael acampora	\$ 100.87
19	reliance graphics	\$ 695.00
20	optimum	\$ 169.39
21	new jersey american water	\$ 3,778.48
22	brick township mua	\$ 7,781.40
23	access compliance	\$ 1,140.00
24	van winkle auto	\$ 425.12
25	valic-aig	\$ 46,904.00
26	Mall Chevy (Tahoe)	\$ 45,392.11
Total		\$ 135,623.96

A motion was made by Clerk Acampora and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to pay the bills for March 2022. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

- Scarlato – Yes
- Stalling - Yes
- Bailey – Yes
- Romano - Yes
- Acampora – Yes

The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Received

- Monthly purchase report from William Newberry
- Fire Bureau monthly reports
- Mohel Elliott Bauer and Gass – Engagement letter for 2022
- Invoice for new command vehicle from Mall Chevy

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

NJ State Assoc. of Fire District meeting minutes from 3/5/22
Radio antenna repair from Fire Bureau & Fire District 1

Sent: None

COMMITTEES

Joint Board Meeting

Commissioner Bailey and Assistant Chief Scarlato reported that Chief Lewis and the radio liaison inspected the fire house and tower to see if we could house new radio equipment for the new radio project. They determined that the best site would be the water tower on Virginia Drive and not the fire house.

Next meeting will be on 6/2/22 at 7:30pm at station 19-3

Chief's Report

Chief Murphy submitted all reports since the last meeting.

The Chief stating that road work will be done on Newtons Corner Road during the month of April.

Chief Murphy stated the new command vehicle is at Elite Emergency Vehicles and should be completed in 5 – 6 weeks.

Chief Engineer

Chief Engineer Gilsenan reported the following.

Ladder 490 – no issues

Engine 475 – oil leak. Fire & Safety is going to look at the truck

Engine 480 – generator still not working properly. Stating there is a hydraulic leak now

Tanker 495- radio is not working. Radio was replaced with the one in the upstairs lounge

Vehicle 486 – no issues

Bush 494 – engine issues being looked at by Defender. If they cannot find the problem, will look at sending vehicle to a Ford dealership

Utility 487 – no issues

Vehicle 466 – no issues

Vehicle 467 – no issues

Purchaser:

Commissioner Bailey stated that the new gear has been received and the Chief and Assistant Chief are handling any sizing issues with the manufacturer.

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Stalling to purchase a new dual head, weatherproof radio for Tanker 495 at a cost not to exceed \$8,700.00. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Romano to purchase two (2) – 5 bank portable radio charges to be placed on Engine 475 and Ladder 490 at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Stalling to reprogram all thirty-two (32) radios (mobiles and portables) at a cost not to exceed \$1,200.00. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to purchase a seat and floor liner for the new command vehicle at a cost not to exceed \$350. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to purchase one (1) NY hook and one (1) halogen for vehicle 466 & 467, not to exceed \$700. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to purchase a new nozzle for Engine 475 and two (2) gas wands for Engine 475 and Ladder 490, not to exceed a total of \$1,700.00. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Romano to purchase new turnout gear for the following fire fighters:

D. McGowan – coat and pants

J. Rappleyea – coat

C. Zmuda – coat and pants

T. Acevedo – coat and pants

Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Stalling to purchase a new Ingersoll Rand air compressor for the engine bays at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to purchase:

Two (2) multi-gas meters – vehicle 466 and 467

Two (2) thermal cameras – vehicle 466 and 467

Two (2) charging units – vehicle 466 and 467

Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

TRUCK COMMITTEE:

New Engine: Progress

New Command Vehicle: The Board has accepted delivery of the new Tahoe command vehicle and it has been delivery to Elite Vehicle Solutions for installation of lights, radios, and equipment. Should be completed in 5 – 6 weeks.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Scarlato reported that the fire budget passed and himself and Commissioner Stalling were re-elected to the Board and Ricky Romano was also elected to fill the remaining 2 years of William Bommer's remaining term on the Board. All members were sworn in at the re-org meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chief Engineer Gilsenan reported that all of the fire extinguishers on the trucks and in the building have received their annual inspection/certifications.

Chairman Scarlato stated that pump and hose testing need to be scheduled for 2022 and to coordinate a date and time with the line officers.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stalling and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to have Clerk Acampora prepare a letter addressed to Amboy Bank authorizing the change in signors on the Board's bank account, due to the newly elected officials that are now on the board. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Stalling to Resolution #03082022-01 Authorizing Qualified Purchasing Agent Pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-9. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

GOOD AND WELFARE: None

JOINT PURCHASING COMMITTEE: None

APPLICATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

The Board received the following fire fighter applications from the fire company:

Devon McGowan

James Rappleyea

Nick Cerratta

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to accept the applicants based upon the fire company's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

Chairman Scarlato also noted that there is currently a fire fighter that has not completed his fire fighter I training yet and has been a member of the fire company for 2 – 3 years. He asked that the officers relay this information to the membership committee and have them look into the situation.

PAYROLL:

The quarterly payroll was calculated by Clerk Acampora and certified by Chairman Scarlato. Treasurer Stalling made a transfer of \$15,000.00 to cover the 1st Quarter 2022 payroll.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Commissioner Stalling reported the following balances for the Board's account activity for the month of March 2022:

Mar-22

Operating Account

Opening Balance	\$33,706.38
Interest	\$4.48
Transfers	\$100,000.00
Transfers	\$50,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$183,710.86

NJ PERS TEPS	
Bills Paid	\$135,623.96
Bills Paid	
Bills (Radio	
Consulting)	
Service Charge	
Ending Balance	<hr/>
	\$48,086.90

Savings Account

Opening balance	\$2,731,502.95
Deposit	
Interest	\$414.37
	<hr/>
	\$2,731,917.32

Transfers	\$150,000.00
Ending Balance	<hr/>
	\$2,581,917.32

Payroll Account

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

Opening Balance	\$9,005.31
Interest	\$1.04
Transfer	
ADP	
	<hr/>
	\$9,006.35

Payroll	
Fees	
Fees	
Ending Balance	<hr/>
	\$9,006.35

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

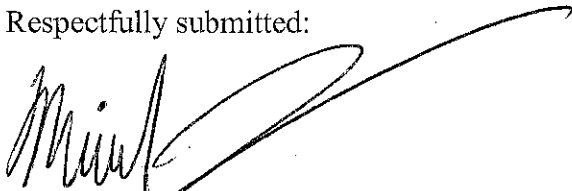
PUBLIC COMMENT: There were five (5) members of the public in attendance at the end of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

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

The meeting closed at 21:45 hours.

Respectfully submitted:



Michael L. Acampora
Clerk