

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

Regular Meeting July 12, 2022

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 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, Romano, and Acampora all in attendance. Commissioner Stalling was not in attendance.

It was noted that there were seven (7) members of the public in attendance.

Administering the Oath of Office: None

Minutes:

Commissioner Acampora reported that the regular workshop Meeting Minutes of June 13, 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 June 14, 2022.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Romano 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 July 2022:

	Bills	Amount
1	Optimum	\$ 170.29
2	Sendzik and Sendzik	\$ 1,228.50
3	CSM	\$ 356.00
4	service tire center	\$ 2,396.00
5	garden state garage doors	\$ 179.99
6	all hands fire	\$ 350.00
7	CIT	\$ 193.50
8	Taylor Oil company	\$ 228.54
9	net link web services	\$ 199.00
10	front end shop	\$ 5,963.62
11	access health	\$ 780.00
12	Grainger	\$ 1,322.30
13	Verizon wireless	\$ 379.90
14	elite vehicle solutions	\$ 23,020.98
	Total Bills	\$ 36,768.62

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

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

The motion passed unanimously 4-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Received

- Monthly purchase report from William Newberry
- Fire Bureau monthly reports
- Sendzik & Sendzik – Notice to Bidders (Tahoe)
- Affidavit of Publication
- Chief Murphy – Equipment purchase list

Sent: None

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COMMITTEES

Joint Board Meeting

Next meeting 7/21/22 at station 19-3 at 7:30pm.

Chief's Report

Chief Murphy submitted all reports since the last meeting.

Chief followed up on boot sizing for the station boots. The board is working with our purchaser to schedule a date with the vendor.

One of the new radios in the Chief's command vehicle is not working correctly. The Chief is going to bring the vehicle back to Elite Emergency Services so they can look at it.

Manufacturer is stating that the AED pad adhesive is peeling off the pads. We may be receiving replacement pads from the manufacturer, but we are not sure. Please be mindful of this when using the AED.

New Jersey Natural Gas is offering to send two (2) fire fighters to Massachusetts for LNG training, as they have done in the past. The Board agrees to cover the fire fighters travel, lodging, and meal expenses. They will have to turn in a voucher for their expenses after they have completed the class. Right now, fire fighter Arcos and D'Arcy will be attending the training. The training will be on 9/28 & 9/29/22. The board has approved the fire fighters to use Utility 488 as their transportation.

The Chief is requesting the use of Engine 475 for the Monmouth County fair of 7/27/22. The Board approves the use of this engine for this event and will also obtain the one day insurance rider for the event.

The Chief also stated that the Monmouth County Fire Fighters competition will be held on 9/24/22.

Chief Engineer

Chief Engineer reported the following:

Ladder 490 – no issues

Engine 475 – no issues

Engine 480 – waiting for parts for generator

Tanker 495- two (2) new tires have been mounted and tires have been rotated

Vehicle 486 – service and front end alignment have been completed

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Bush 494 – new batteries have been installed

Utility 487 – no issues

Vehicle 466 – no issues

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Purchaser:

Commissioner Bailey did not have an updated on the status of any of the equipment that we are still waiting to receive.

A motion was made by Commissioner Acampora and seconded by Commissioner Romano to purchase the following equipment requested by Chief Murphy:

- Chain saw blades
- Flash lights
- K12 blades

The cost of these items will not exceed \$3,000.00. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board

The list of fire fighter boot sizes has been submitted to the Board and the Board will forward this list to Purchaser Newberry.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to cover the cost for converting all Ex-Chief's Class A bell hats to include additional upgrades, as well as covering the costs for any Ex-Chief that needs a new white bell hat. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

TRUCK COMMITTEE:

New Engine: The engine is complete. The onsite inspection will occur on 8/1 and will be attending by Commissioner Romano and Chief Murphy. All items found while onsite will be communicated immediately to all other Board members. We need to review all the equipment that has been ordered and received and determine if additional equipment need to be ordered.

New Command Vehicle: Vehicle will go back to Elite so they can look at the radios, as one is not working properly.

Old Command Vehicle: The Board will be selling this vehicle through GOVbids.com. The last day to receive bids is 7/22/22. Requesting a minimum bid of \$12,000.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

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NEW BUSINESS:

None

GOOD AND WELFARE: None

JOINT PURCHASING COMMITTEE: None

APPLICATIONS/TERMINATIONS: None

PAYROLL: None

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

July 2022

Operating Account

Opening Balance	\$40,267.17
Interest	\$3.58
Transfers	\$25,000.00
Transfers	\$15,000.00
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	\$80,270.75

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Bills Paid	\$36,768.62
Bills Paid	
Bills (Radio Consulting)	
Service Charge	
Ending Balance	<hr/>
	\$43,502.13

Savings Account

Opening balance	\$2,514,397.54
Deposit (Howell Twp)	\$206,730.00
Interest	\$415.63
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	\$2,721,543.17

Transfers	<hr/>
	\$40,000.00

Ending Balance **\$2,681,543.17**

Payroll Account

Opening Balance	\$23,054.20
Interest	\$1.25
Transfer	
ADP	
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	\$23,055.45
Payroll	\$10,874.27
Fees	\$147.95
Fees - taxes	\$4,962.36
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Ending Balance	\$7,070.87

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were seven (7) 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 Romano and seconded by Clerk Acampora to close the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

The meeting closed at 20:48 hours.

Respectfully submitted:



Michael L. Acampora
Clerk