

Workshop Meeting, July 7, 2014

Chairman Raymond Equils called the meeting to order at 19:04 hours, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Equils then read the Opening Statement, noting this meeting was advertised on Sunday, December 29, 2013 in the Asbury Park Press and posted on two (2) municipal Bulletin Boards and in the firehouse, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, commonly referred to as "The Sunshine Law."

Roll call was taken with Commissioners Eadicicco, Equils, Kelly, Scarlato, and Stalling being present. It was also recorded that there were zero (0) line officers or firefighters present; and there were zero (0) members of the public present at the start of the meeting.

Clerk Kelly reported on and reviewed for the board members, an application from Thomas Connolly, to withdraw his vested funds from his existing Length of Service Plan Account.

CRITICAL CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk Kelly reported there was no critical correspondence to report or review.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Equils reviewed the problems with the portable radio purchase through Quality Communications in Lakewood. Problems included duplication of items and programming issues. Also problems in getting the Programming Cable and software licensed to the district.

Chairman Equils then noted he expended a lot of effort in getting the vendor to accept the return the 2nd programming cable and software package; and to issue the attendant credit; as Mr. Equils had already purchased these items from a separate vendor, and paid for them on his personal credit card.

He went on to report that the radios needed programming before being delivered or handed over to district. He added the radios taken back to Quality for a second round of programming, to correct problems from the first round, but that round was complicated by a technician who could not do the programming!

Radios are still at Quality for the 3rd round of programming, since the initial delivery. It was agreed by all, that if they were not after programming this time, the radios will be returned and the order will be cancelled. Chairman Equils will look to resolve this issue tomorrow.

(Paperwork relative to this purchase and the problems is in the files.)

NEW BUSINESS: Clerk Kelly reported he has never forwarded the check for Annual Dues to the NJ State Fire Chief's Association; due to their inability to correct their mailing lists or certify the amount to be paid for the Death Benefit. He still has the check (#12418) which he will return to Treasurer Stalling for voiding and reversal into the treasury.

The board informally agreed to have Clerk Kelly, as the Plan Administrator, sign the Length of Service Plan Withdrawal Form for Thomas Connolly.

NEW TRUCK The board discussed the proposal to add an awning to the side of the new apparatus, under construction. Additional costs not complete, but charges of \$2,300.00 just for paint.

Will get additional costs to run wiring and move light fixtures for discussion tomorrow night, as unless a majority feels an awning is unnecessary.

Greg Scarlato noted it should be time for an update or progress report. He will contact either Jim Philips or Matt, the factory engineer.

TREASURER'S REPORT Following the completion of the voucher and check entry by Treasurer Stalling; he reported bills totaling \$16,679.73, requiring a transfer of \$18,000.00. These amounts agreed with the calculations prepared by Purchaser Eadicicco.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted on a motion by Commissioners Kelly and Scarlato, and passed unanimously by the board.

GOOD AND WELFARE Nothing was presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT There were zero (0) firefighters and zero (0) members of the public present, and there were no other comments offered.

ADJOURNMENT This concluded the business for the workshop, so a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioners Scarlato and Stalling, and passed by the board.

The meeting closed at 20:09 hours.
Respectfully Submitted,

Robert J. Kelly
Clerk of the Board

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