

### Workshop Meeting, December 8, 2014

Chairman Raymond Equils called the meeting to order at 19:00 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. There were zero (0) fire officers or members of the public present at the start of the meeting. However, fire company Finance Chairman Michael Acampora was present.

Chairman Equils recognized Mr. Acampora, who presented the new Firehouse Rental Lease for the fire company, terms of which were agreed upon at the November Public Meeting.

Chairman Equils and other commissioners signed the lease; executing the agreement between the board and the fire company.

**CRITICAL CORRESPONDENCE:** Clerk Kelly reported the following:  
Underwriter's Laboratories – Aerial & Pump Testing Results  
VFIS/Glatfelter Insurance – Vehicle Insurance Policy Modifications  
VFIS/Glatfelter Insurance – Group Life Term Insurance Modifications  
Internal Revenue Service – Notice – Taxes Due from December 31, 2008

**OLD BUSINESS:** Purchaser Eadicicco reported the ID Card Printer in the Radio Room no longer works at all. He noted it was used to print Active and Junior Firefighter ID's and Accountability Tags. And, that Ramtown First Aid was also using it for ID's.

Board discussed need for repairing or replacing it again. It was informally agreed to get an updated price quote to repair or replace it, for review at tomorrow's meeting. The Board can either reserve the funds for later action, or move to repair the existing one or purchase a new one.

Purchaser Eadicicco reported the Radio Repair Man came and reported the Howell Radio was is just an antenna issue, which was replaced. The Ocean County Radio is out for service. And the Brush Truck Radio issue was also antenna related.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The board reviewed items Chief James Bailey submitted, for consideration for purchase. New items included: Haz-Mat Absorbent Pads (\$200.00), and Push Brooms (\$50.00). He also requested the board move to purchase the 8 new LED Hand-lights for Engine 475 (\$1,500.00) as contained in the 2014 Budget, along with other small items.

Commissioners Kelly and Eadicicco made a motion to approve the list of items for purchase, and to place the item on tomorrow night's agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Stalling asked to include 2 fuel can holders in the list to be purchased, at a cost not to exceed \$150.00. This was informally agreed to by all.

Following discussions, Commissioners Kelly and Stalling made a motion to purchase 8 additional LED Hand-lights to retrofit Ladder 490. The motion was passed unanimously.

It was agreed that tomorrow night, the board would consider purchasing 4 portable radios & associated items, if current pricing is available.

A discussion was held regarding staying with portable radios for dispatch versus returning to issuing pagers. After all commissioners had a chance to speak on the topic; it was informally agreed to stay with portable radios.

On the Vehicle Insurance Policy Modifications: It was informally agreed that the board will try to "OPT OUT" of any coverage for private vehicles. If it can't, then they will look to only take the "EXCESS COVERAGE" if no other choice.

On the Life Insurance Modification: Clerk Kelly will contact VFIS for a clarification of exactly what the "\$10,000.00" figure quoted in the modification means.

Treasurer Stalling and Chairman Equils reported on the BANK ERROR that resulted in a shortage in the district's checking account. The bank teller inadvertently moved \$22,000.00 out of the Checking Account, back into the District's Savings Account.

Chairman Equils went to the bank and had the funds transferred back into Checking, along with additional funds to cover any and all debits.

Chairman Equils also discovered that our Treasurer can be set up to do Internal Electronic Transfers, between our Amboy Bank Accounts. This is for internal bank transfers only; and verification by a second commissioner is needed to authorize any transfer.

Commissioners Kelly and Eadicicco made a motion to authorize Treasurer Stalling and Chairman Equils fill out and submit the necessary paperwork to initiate the process. The motion was passed unanimously by the board.

**NEW TRUCK .....** Nothing new was presented.

**PAYROLL .....** No payroll actions were taken at this meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT .....** Following the completion of the voucher and check entry by Treasurer Stalling; he reported bills totaling \$65,526.95, requiring a transfer of funds in the amount of \$66,000.00. These amounts agreed with the calculations prepared by Purchaser Eadicicco.

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

**GOOD AND WELFARE .....** Nothing was presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT .....** There were zero (0) officers or 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 Stalling and Scarlato, and passed by the board.

The meeting closed at 20:53 hours.  
Respectfully Submitted,

Robert J. Kelly  
Clerk of the Board

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