

Regular Meeting, March 10, 2015

Chairman Gregory Scarlato called the meeting to order at 20:00 hours, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Scarlato read the Opening Statement, noting this meeting was advertised on Sunday, December 28, 2014 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 Scarlato, Bommer, Eadicicco, Acampora, and Stalling being present.

It was noted that one (1) chief and three (3) firefighters, zero (0) junior firefighters, and zero (0) members of the public were present at the start of the meeting.

ADMINISTERING the OATH of OFFICE: No oaths were administered this meeting.

The Clerk reported that the minutes of the Regular Workshop Meeting of February 9 were posted. The Clerk then read the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2015.

A motion to approve both minutes was made by Commissioners Stalling and Eadicicco, and passed by the board.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Purchaser Eadicicco presented the following bills:

	Bills	Amount
1	Darley	\$1,061.69
2	ERS Fleet Repair	\$ 299.99
3	1st Priority Emergency Vehicles Inc	\$ 568.58
4	Verizon	\$ 93.56
5	All Industrial-Supply Safety Products Inc	\$1,598.33
6	Grainger	\$ 163.28
7	ISG Infrasy	\$ 345.00
8	Witmer	\$ 498.00
9	Netlink Web Services LLc	\$ 398.00
10	CIT	\$ 99.00
11	New Jersey American Water	\$2,528.80
12	Lowe's/Minute Key	\$ 26.66
13	John Thompson	\$ 22.60
14	Richard Stalling	\$ 31.40
15	Taylor Oil Company	\$ 440.14
16	Apline Software	\$1,263.36
Total		\$9,438.39

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The bills were paid on a motion by Commissioners Acampora and Stalling, and passed by the board.

COMMUNICATIONS None noted due to no correspondence let by prior clerk

COMMITTEES

Executive Board: Due to a work related obligation, Chairman Scarlato was unable to attend the meeting. He will attend the next regular meeting and report back to the board. The minutes from this board meeting had not been received as of this meeting date.

Chief's Report: Chief Bailey reported that the new ID tag printer is working and they already need to order more ink. The Monmouth County ID card project has been transferred to John Thompson. He will be in charge of contacting the county to see when we can obtain the cards. Chief Bailey spoke with John at Safe-T regarding new turnout gear for the 5 members that are currently attending the fire academy. They will be entitled to new gear when they graduate. The price for 2015 is up, but he will honor the 2014 prices. Monmouth County will be switching to a new frequency on 5/1/15. Chief Bailey will contact the Sherriff's office and will try to meet with them to determine how it will affect Ramtown and what channels we will need in our radios. He will have the radio program 1 truck radio (in unit 466) and 1 portable radio so we have radios that we can copy when programing our other radios. Brian Schwarz may be moving out of the Ramtown area shortly and we will need to find someone else to program our radios. Our current license has Brian's name on it and we need to get is changed.

Chief Bailey stated three (3) portable radios need to go out for service.

Chief Engineer: Chief Bailey reported that the strobe lights on unit 467 are not working. It was noted that the engineers will look at the lights this weekend. Brush unit 494 is still out of service, as the service company is working on rebuilding the alternator.

Purchaser: It was reported that all equipment that was in the 2014 budget has been received.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bommer and Eadicicco to send the 3 radios to Alcom for repair. Commissioner Eadicicco will contact Alcom to discuss if it will be better to obtain a service agreement and hold off on the repairs on these radios. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Stalling and Bommer to purchase additional printing ink for the ID printer. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

It was discussed that the Chief should be submitting for 50% of his budget purchases at April's meeting. The Chief was also informed that we will be getting a jump on the 2016 budget and that he should have his initial budget in place by the end of August or beginning of September.

Motion by Commissioner Stalling and Bommer to purchase five (5) sets of turnout gear for the five members that are currently in the fire academy. The gear is under state contract and the vender has agreed to maintain the 2014 prices that we quoted to the chief. This purchase does not include the fire fighters helmets. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

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NEW TRUCK: It was reported that Commissioners Scarlato and Stalling went to the factory in PA at the end of February to inspect the progress that has been made on the truck. It is estimated that the truck will be completed by early April. They noted that a cabinet in the cab separating the front and back of the cab may be too high and may impair the engineer and officer from communication with the fire fighters riding in the back. We may want to lower the cabinet height. This would involve a change order to build and we may incur additional costs. It may be less costly to remove the entire cabinet and put a new one in after we have received delivery of the truck. Commissioner Scarlato received three (3) price quotes for the purchase of Tasc Force

tip hose nozzles for the new truck. The price quotes were 1st Priority - \$6,577.43; All Hands Fire - \$5,509.04; Defender - \$5,238.70. All nozzles will also work with foam. A motion was made Commissioner Scarlato and Bommer to purchase the nozzles from Defender for \$5,238.70. Motion passed unanimously by the Board. The Blitz nozzle was taken with the Commissioners to the inspection to insure that it will be able to be properly mounted within the new truck. Commissioner Eadicicco reviewed prices on a bank of six (6) portable radio chargers for the new truck. He is going to obtain prices for purchasing two (2) Monmouth County radios and four (4) Ocean County radios. A motion was made by Commissioner Eadicicco and Stalling to purchase the six (6) bank portable radio charger for the new truck for the HT 1250 portable radios. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Commissioners Stalling and Scarlato to pass Resolution #031015-02 establishing a Junior Firefighter Auxiliary. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Chairman Scarlato – YES
Commissioner Bommer – YES
Commissioner Eadicicco – YES
Commissioner Stalling – YES
Commissioner Acampora – YES
The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioners Eadicicco and Bommer to pass Resolution #031015-01 establishing a Corrective Action Plan. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Chairman Scarlato – YES
Commissioner Bommer – YES
Commissioner Eadicicco – YES
Commissioner Stalling – YES
Commissioner Acampora – YES
The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioners Eadicicco and Bommer to pass Resolution #031015-04 Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property No Longer Needed for Public Use on an Online Auction Website Pursuant to local Finance Notice 2008-9 Dated 4/28/2008 . A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Chairman Scarlato – YES
Commissioner Bommer – YES
Commissioner Eadicicco – YES

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Commissioner Stalling – YES
Commissioner Acampora – YES
The motion was passed unanimously.

Chairman Scarlato noted that a complete inventory list of equipment that will be included with the sale of Engine 468 will be sent to Jay Sendzik so he can include it with the sale information.

A motion was made by Commissioners Acampora and Stalling to convey ownership of the old generator to the fire company, as the Board has deemed that this piece of equipment has surpassed its useful life and there is no value to Board. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

Chairman Scarlato reviewed a letter received by board attorney Jay Sendzik that ALL fire commissioners must file their financial disclosure with the state of New Jersey by 4/30/15. Chief Hotmar will check with Clerk Acampora to make sure he has the proper e-mail addresses for all of the fire commissioners so he can supply this information to the town so they can send each commissioner their own passwords so they can complete the financial disclosure statement online.

Commissioner Eadicicco received the spec for the new air compressor. He will review the information with Chairman Scarlato and Chief Engineer Kelly. He is also going to speak with Attorney Sendzik about sending this out to bid.

GOOD AND WELFARE: None

JOINT PURCHASING COMMITTEE: None

APPLICATIONS/TERMINATIONS: None

PAYROLL: No actions regarding payroll were taken tonight. Chairman Scarlato stated that newly elected commissioners Bommer and Acampora will have to complete Form W-4 so it can be provided to the payroll company.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Stalling reported the following balances for the checking account:

OPENING BALANCE	\$15,928.89
INTEREST	5.68
TRANSFER	+ 9,000.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$ 24,934.57
NJ-PERS TEPS Payment	-
EXPENDITURES	- 9,438.39
CLOSING BALANCE	\$15,496.18

He also reported the following balances for the Savings Account:

OPENING BALANCE	\$1,935,214.34
INTEREST	+ 267.36
SUB-TOTAL	\$2,030,214.34
TRANSFER TO CHECKING	- 24,000.00
CLOSING BALANCE	\$1,911,481.70

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He also reported the following balances for the Payroll Account:

OPENING BALANCE	\$12,425.47
TTRANSFER	\$15,000.00
INTEREST	+ 1.19
SUB-TOTAL	<u>\$27,426.66</u>
PAYROLL FEES	- 0.00
PAYROLL PAID	- 0.00
PAYROLL TAXES	<u>0.00</u>
CLOSING BALANCE	\$27,426.66

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

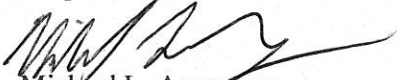
PUBLIC COMMENT: There was one (1) officer and three (3) members of the public in attendance. Comments on agenda items were taken while the items were before the Board for action. No non-agenda comments were offered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT: This concluded the business before the Board, so a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Bommer and Stalling, and passed by the Board.

The meeting closed at 21:43 hours.

Respectfully Submitted:



Michael L. Acampora
Clerk of the Board