

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

Workshop Meeting, April 13, 2015

Chairman Gregory Scarlato called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Scarlato then 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, Acampora, Eadicicco, and Stalling being present.

It was also recorded that there were zero (0) fire officers and one (1) member of the public present at the start of the meeting.

CRITICAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Acampora referenced all correspondence that was received and sent out, as will be noted in the next regular meeting minutes on 4/14/15.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Scarlato stated that Engine 478 is current on Govbids.com. The bid deadline is 4/28/15. He is coordinating the auction with the board's attorney (Kate Sendzik)

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Bommer discussed price quotes that were received from Cablevision for having internet and phone access in the commissioner's office. The prices are as follows:

- Ultra 50 package – for internet and phone - \$80 per month for the first year and then increasing to \$120 thereafter. Installation will be \$47.

It was noted that the commissioners will not make any decision until the renovation work at the firehouse is completed within the next 6 months. At that time, the board will review its options.

Chief Bailey requested the following equipment be purchased from his budget:

- Additional \$3,500 for bailout equipment that is needed to equip the firefighters that attended and passed the bailout class
- Replacement radio for unit 467 – cost is \$900 for radio and \$225 for installation.
- Voice amplifiers for SCBA - \$473 per amplifier. Chief Bailey is requesting 7.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session.

NEW TRUCK: Chairman Scarlato and Commissioner Eadicicco went to PA to for the final inspection on the new engine (Engine 480) on 4/11/15. They 34 34 deficiencies on the engine, that were mainly minor. The trip was also attended by the salesman (Jimmy) and John Thompson. Then vendor requested payment of \$575,000 when the truck left PA and was being delivered to our firehouse for temporary housing, prior to going out for tool mounting and lettering. Chairman Scarlato spoke with the board's attorney (Jay Sendzik), of which he was advised that as per the contract, we will not make payment until final receipt and delivery of the

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apparatus to the firehouse. The truck should be arrive at the firehouse by 4/18/15, at which time it will remain here for several days and then it will be shipped out for tool mounting and lettering.

John Thompson reported that Item #22 states that a switched on the pump panel failed due to water leaking through the pump panel. The scene light switch is the switch that keeps failing. Chairman Scaralto stated that he will send an e-mail to the salesman (Jimmy) stating that this problem needs to be rectified prior to us receiving the apparatus. We will not accept addition sealing as a correction to this issue. We will also need to know that if the problems continue to arise after delivery, that it will be corrected and covered under warranty. The balance due upon delivery is \$614,055.00.

There will be 2 lines of lettering on the side of Engine 480 reflecting Ramtown & Fire Rescue.

It was also discussed that the following items will be purchased for Engine 480:

- 2 battery operated exhaust fans.
Prices from: Safe T - \$6,700
 Nat Alexander - \$6,780
We will purchase the fans at the lower price from Safe T
- 1 infant defibrillator – the current infant defibrillator is being sold with Engine 478
Priced from: FRX –
 Difibatek - \$764 or \$1,431
We will check with the Chief Engineer to determine where we purchased the prior difibrators from and move forward with the purchasing from the lowest priced company.
- 1 Knox Box – the Knox Box will be purchased from Knox and will have the new Blue indicator light on top of the box. The cost is \$600.
- 1 Honda Portable Generator – Purchase a new EU200 generator
Price – Defender - \$1,695.99
This was the lowest price provided, so we will purchase from Defender.
- Stream lights – bank of 6 lights
Price – All Hands - \$715.95
This was the lowest price provided, so we will purchase from All Hands
- Foam – Engine 480 will have the capacity for 30 gallons of Class foam
Engine 475 currently has Class B foam
12- 5 gallon buckets of Class A foam
Price – All Hands - \$959.88
1 – 5 gallon bucket of training foam
Price – All Hands - \$56
This was the lowest price provided, so we will purchase from All Hands
- Laptop for – looked at Tough Pad and Tough Book, recommending purchasing the Tough Book.
Price - \$4,580 including installation, plus \$250 for protection plan. Will continue to look for prices from additional venders.
- 1 thermal imaging camera
Prices – Defender - \$16,100
Safe T- \$8,995

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It was decided that we will purchase the camera from Safe T

- 1 – 6 bank of portable radio chargers

We do have prices but it was discussed that this item is needed and we will obtain prices

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 \$107,246.24, with a TEPS payment of \$187.81. In order to cover the expenses, \$105,000.00 was transferred.

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

GOOD AND WELFARE: Nothing was reported.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were zero (0) officers or firefighters and one (1) 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 Bommer and Stalling, and passed by the board.

The meeting closed at 22:20 hours.

Respectfully Submitted:



Michael L. Acampora
Clerk of the Board