

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT NO 1
FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP, NJ**

Regular Meeting

March 20, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:31pm by Chairman Robert Buscaglia.

Notice was read, the flag salute was lead by Chief Prochnow. Roll call was taken; Mr. Story, Mr. Caruso, C. Buscaglia, R. Buscaglia, and Mr. Joshi were all present. Also in attendance was Joseph Youssouf, Chief Prochnow, President Marcondes, Donna Pujat and other members of the Fire Company.

A motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded by Mr. Story to adjourn the regular order of business to hold swearing in of newly elected Commissioners and reorganization of the Board. Roll call vote taken, all votes in the affirmative.

At this time, re-elected Board member Charles Buscaglia and newly elected Board member Shayamal Joshi took the oath of office given by Board Attorney – Joseph Youssouf. All congratulated Mr. Buscaglia and Mr. Joshi.

A motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded by Mr. C. Buscaglia to keep all offices of the Board the same, and Mr. Joshi will replace Mr. Keim as Clerk of the Board. A roll call vote was taken, All votes in the affirmative.

Resolutions were offered appointing various positions and professional services for the Board. Those being:

- Scheduling of meeting dates
- Designation of depositories
- Designation of official newspapers
- Appointing of Secretary
- Appointing of District Auditor
- Appointing of Board Attorney

**** All resolutions available for review attached to hard copy of minutes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Story and seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the minutes of the February meeting with one correction: the motion regarding paying for the food to the Siloam Road fire was made by Mr. R. Buscaglia not Mr. Story, and it was noted that in the future, the Board would consider paying for food for fires on a case to case basis, those being large fires only.

A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative except Mr. Joshi who abstained.

A motion was made by Mr. Caruso and seconded by Mr. Story to approve the minutes of the February Executive Session meeting as prepared. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative, except Mr. Joshi who abstained.

Correspondence: None

Treasurers Report: Mr. C. Buscaglia read the report into record. A motion was made by Mr. Story and seconded by Mr. Caruso, to approve the report as presented. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Story to pay the bills in the total of \$131,613.20 and to transfer \$135,000 from Money Market into checking. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative except Mr. Joshi who abstained. Mr. Buscaglia had resolutions prepared and signed for the new banks those being, Sun National & NJ Community.

Insurance: Mr. C. Buscaglia reported that the LOSAP premium was paid.

Building: Mr. R. Buscaglia reported that the soap dispensers had been installed at District.

The Georgia Road storage room is painted.

The timing on the lights is to be changed.

Light bulbs will be changed.

Estimates were done on upgrading the alarm system

Mr. Caruso noted that the night lights at Georgia Road are not functioning.

Mr. Story reported that there are seven (7) new items for the MSDS books and he will update them.

Donna will update the work injury report at the end of April and post it.

Asst Chief Reiffer reported that the spot light at the back door at District was on during the daylight hours.

Chiefs Report: Chief Prochnow read into record, Chiefs reports from February. The Chief congratulated Mr. Joshi and Mr. C. Buscaglia on their Board positions.

The Chief reported two new applications for members, those being Dan Korba and Johnathan Caruso.

All pumpers have passed the pump test.

90 & 87 had diverter valves replaced/repared

Two chain saws went to Bargs for servicing and three were returned, one being the unit that has been missing for several years. Discussion followed.

The Chief received a call from ISO who indicated that they would be coming for a summer inspection. Discussion followed regarding preparation.

The Truck Committee met and are making progress.

Hamatro tools have been serviced.

The new camera for 76 is in and Fire & Safety has been scheduled for mounting.

There was a problem with Bryan's computer. Mr. R. Buscaglia reported that it was a corrupt file which had been replaced and seems ok now.

The Chiefs printer is not working. Discussion followed. Mr. R. Buscaglia will handle it.

Physicals are scheduled for April 12 & 13th

The Chief noted that the Baltimore Expo is in July. Bryan Zucarelli and Dan Petersen will be handling the reservations and scheduling and they expect to send 8 – 10 members down.

86 had radiator problems, and now has been repaired.

The officers will need to purchase 36 DeWalt batteries. Prices are as follows:

Halmatro	\$626 for 3 Plus shipping & handling
Major Tools	\$206 each

The Board approved the purchase.

The Chief reported that they would like to replace the plastic cover on the hard suction with diamond plate on unit 79. P&L gave a price of \$2,700 Discussion followed. It was decided that since they weren't happy with P&L service recently, Ralph will seek another price from 1st Priority.

The Chief brought up that two of the company members are certified CPR instructors. They have been donating their time and providing certification to the company, which saves a great deal of money. The Chief would like to propose that the Board pay for their recertification's which in the area of \$300 +/- Discussion followed. The Board agreed and the money will be taken from training.

The Chief asked if anyone knew if there were fans on 78. Mr. Caruso indicated that there were not.

Also reported that it looks if there may be a delay in the County providing the ID system. Mr. R. Buscaglia stated that the company should look into a program/system to do it ourselves.

Mr. C. Busaglia asked who ordered gloves from Dave Goldstein, that being Asst Chief Spicuzza. Discussion followed regarding the invoice & voucher.

Three prices had been received for change of lights, console install for the new Chiefs vehicle. Those are:

1 st Priority	\$6,310
P&L	\$13,918
East Coast	\$9,510

Discussion followed. A motion was made by C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Story to approve the work with 1st Priority. Roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

President's Report: President Marcondes thanked the Board for paying for the overhead door repairs at Smithburg.

The President asked the Board's permission to rearrange the rec room and bring in a pool table. Discussion followed. The Board agreed, but noted if the room is abused in any way, the pool table will be removed. He asked about painting the paneling, it was decided to hold off and see how it goes with the room. Further discussion was held regarding the fact that during storm standby's the members sleep in the rec room. The Board noted that they are welcome to use the meeting room, provided it remains clean.

The President asked about the possibility of the softball team using District for barbeques after the softball games. The Board stated no alcohol. After further discussion it was tabled.

It was also noted by the Board that Junior member may not play softball. Both President Mercondes and Vice President Fogarty agreed they were not on the team. Mr. R. Buscaglia asked the status of the septic at Smithburg. Mr. Mercondes reported just waiting on something with the grease trap.

It was also noted that since Mr. Joshi previously held the position of Vice President, he resigned due to his election to the Board. Mr. Fogarty was appointed to finish his term, until election.

Old Business: None

New Business: C. Buscaglia questioned the bidding for repairs and service of the vehicles. Mr. Yousouf stated that it could and should be done that way. Discussion followed. Mr. Yousouf advised the Chief to prepare a specification for each apparatus regarding what needs to be done annually. Once that is ready, Mr. Yousouf will prepare a bid package.

Mr. R. Buscaglia reported that he received quotes for updating the security system at both District and Georgia Road Stations.

CSS Security	District	\$7,746
	Georgia Road	\$3,875
Ocean Security Systems	District	\$8,500
	Georgia Rd	\$5,500
Roberts Electronics	NO QUOTE	

Discussion followed. Mr. Joshi questioned whether one building at a time should be done. Discussion followed. It was decided that since the quotes were done for both locations, work would be awarded and they would be scheduled one location at a time. A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by Mr. Story to approve the work and award to CSS Security. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Vice President Fogarty asked if the work being done would change anything with the existing system at District, and the Board advised him, it would not.

Audience: Jack Scheuer asked about the surplus of televisions in the meeting room. Discussion was held. One unit had been raffled off numerous years ago, but the winner never took the TV. That individual will be notified that he has until the next meeting to remove it, or it will be thrown away.

Being no further business, at 8:35pm a motion was made by Mr. Story and seconded by Mr. Caruso to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:



Larry Story, Secretary

3/20/12

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF
FIRE DISTRICT NO.1 FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP DESIGNATING
OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF FIRE DISTRICT FUNDS FOR 2012**

WHEREAS; the Fire District is a "Governmental Unit" as that term is defined in N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 which receives and has custody of public funds raised through taxation for the purposes set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70 et. seq. ; and

WHEREAS; N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-14. (1) requires local governmental units to annually designate a public depository or depositories, which are defined in N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 as: " a State or federally chartered bank, savings bank or an association located in this State or a state or federally chartered bank, savings bank or an association located in another state with a branch office in the State, the deposits of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and which receives or holds public funds on deposit; " and

WHEREAS; the Board has determined that Freehold Savings and Loan Bank , Sun National Bank and New Jersey Community Bank are qualified depositories that are eligible to receive and hold public funds on deposit as permitted by the above referenced statutes; and

WHEREAS; it is the opinion of the Board that designating the above identified financial institutions as the official depositories of fire district funds is convenient, necessary and desirable for the business purposes of the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No.1 Freehold Township that Freehold Savings and Loan Bank, Sun National Bank and New Jersey Community Bank be and the same are hereby designated as the official depositories of District funds for 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman, Clerk and Treasurer of the Board be and the same are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and to make deposits into, transfer, open and close such accounts as may be necessary for the orderly conduct of the Board's financial affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any and all checks or drafts issued on an account held by or in the name of the Board of Fire Commissioners of this Fire District shall require execution by at least three (3) of the duly elected and serving Fire Commissioners.

Moved by:

Seconded by;

Roll Call Vote:

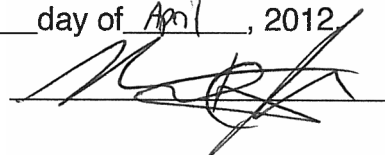
Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No.1 Freehold Township on the 24 day of April, 2012.

 , Clerk

3/20/12

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT NO.1 FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP SCHEDULING
MEETING DATES FOR 2012**

WHEREAS; The Board of Fire Commissioners, as a political subdivision of the State of New Jersey, is required by N.J.S.A. 10:4-18 to publish and post a schedule of its meetings to be held during the succeeding year specifying therein the location of each meeting, its date and time; and

WHEREAS; The Board is also required to mail a schedule of its meeting dates to the official newspapers designated by the Board and to provide a copy of the meeting dates to the municipal clerk for posting on the official bulletin board of the municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No.1 Freehold Township that regularly scheduled meetings of the Board will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month commencing at 7:30 p.m. at the Fire District Headquarters Firehouse, Schanck and Stillwells Corner Road, Freehold Twp., New Jersey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the regular monthly meetings of the Board are hereby scheduled for the following dates: April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 28, September 18, October 23, November 27, December 18, January 22, February 26, and March 26, 2013, which meeting shall serve as the annual reorganization meeting of the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified true copies of this Resolution be posted on the official bulletin board of the Fire District, forwarded to the official newspapers designated by the Board and forwarded to the municipal clerk for posting as required by law.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

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 _____, Clerk