

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

Regular Meeting

December 17, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Thomas Caruso.

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

At this time, the regular order of business was put on hold. A motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia to introduce the 2014 District Budget, 2nd. By Mr. R. Buscaglia. A roll call vote was taken, all in the affirmative.

The meeting was opened to the public for questions or comments, being none, a motion was made by Mr. Joshi and 2nd by Mr. Caruso to close the floor and move on to regular order of business. Vote taken, all in affirmative.

Approval of the November minutes was tabled.

Correspondence:

Treasurers Report: The report was read into record by Mr. C. Buscaglia. A motion was made by Mr. R. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Joshi to approve the report as presented. A roll call vote was taken, all present voted in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by R. Buscaglia to pay the bills in the total of \$46,338.17 and to transfer \$40,000 from Money Market into checking. Mr. Caruso asked about the \$4,617.42 voucher for Jack Purvis which was held the last meeting. Mr. Caruso stated he didn't remember that being paid out. Mr. C. Buscaglia reported that that was paid out to Mr. Purvis once the plans were received. A roll call vote was taken, all present voted in the affirmative.

Insurance: The claim for the motor incident involed Andrew Ollwerther ic closed. Vehicles have been repaired.

Building: Mr. Joshi will check into a heater for the dispatch room.

Service on the heating system has been completed.

IAR screens are installed. Waiting on the county for CAD requirements/hardware that needs to be purchased.

The key system is going to need replacing.

The modem at Georgia Road Station is broken and will need replacement.

Legal: No report.

Chiefs Report: Chief Prochnow read the November report into record.

Rear tires and hub bearings were replaced on 16-1-78

The Chief requested to purchase from Task Force a Blitz Nozzle, total price with S&H is \$5,600 A motion was made by R. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. Joshi to approve the purchase. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Cameras are in and have been mounted.

Chief Prochnow announced the incoming Line Officers for 2014:

Chief	Dan Spicuzza
1st Asst	Bryan Zuccarelli
2 nd Asst	Ralph Reiffer
Captain	Craig Haas
1 st Lieut	Dan Petersen
2 nd Lieut	Andrew Goonteleke

Chief Prochnow thanked the Board and Donna for their help through his years as Chief. He noted that he hopes the Board will keep a good working relationship with the Officers.

Mr. R. Buscaglia thanked the Chief for all he did and his hard work. He congratulated the new officers and wished them good luck.

President's Report: President Marconedes stated that the Fire Company Anniversary celebration would take place on either July 19th or 26th. He stated that although plans are preliminary they hoped to hold the event at the High School, a short parade and trophies.

The President turned in a voucher for lights which were purchased for the decoration of the firehouse. Mr. Caruso stated that the firehouse looked great and he thanked the President for seeing that they were done.

John announced the Executive Officers for 2014

President	John Marconedes
V-President	Mike Fogarty
Treasurer	Kevin Keane
Asst Treasurer	Paul Jolucieur
AJ Story	Treasurer
Trustee	Frank Santore
Trustee	Jenson Chundamala

President Marconedes reported that the Fire Company received a proclamation last month from the Township for their anniversary. He thanked all who attended. He also noted that the News Transcript was going to do a report on the Anniversary. Also John noted that someone brought to his attention that the Fire Company had a 50 year Charter. No one was in full understanding of what that meant so Mr. Caruso will check with Joe Youssof.

Old Business: Discussion was held regarding additional lockers at Georgia Road. Discussion followed.

Mr. Joshi reported on the computer for the Chief Office. To set up the system to include internet, Divinity Computers would cost \$750 total A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by R. Buscaglia to proceed. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Mr. Joshi also reported that he prices a new phone system; Divinity Computers - \$5,724.99 and Intel Telephone Company - \$6,220

A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by R. Buscaglia to go with Divinity. Also it was noted that Divinity would require 50% up front for the cost of the equipment. Mr. C. Buscaglia commented that he does not like the money up front. Discussion followed. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative, Mr. C. Buscaglia voted no.

Prices were received for a projector to be used for education - Apple - \$1,300, Amazon - \$942.61 A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by Mr. R. Buscaglia to purchase from Amazon. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Mr. Joshi met with representatives regarding the copier. Price for a Kyocera was \$2,982 and a one year service contract, which includes service and supplies for \$378. A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by Mr. R. Buscaglia to go with the Kyocera. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

New Business: C. Buscaglia reported on the energy efficient lighting proposed at District. There is a sole contractor - Energy Solutions Electrical Contractors LLC. A motion was made by Mr. Joshi and seconded by R. Buscaglia to have the work done. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Mr. Youssouf was not in attendance at the meeting. R. Buscaglia will contact him to see the status of the building addition/renovation bid.

Audience: Asst Chief Spicuzza reported that the first aid kits were purchased and have been installed in all of the firehouses.

Mr. R. Buscaglia requested that when members eat in the meeting room, it be cleaned up.

Being no further business, at 7:44 pm a motion was made by Mr. C. Buscaglia and seconded by Mr. R. Buscaglia to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken, all votes in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted:

Shyamal Joshi, Clerk (acting on behalf of Mr. Story)

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