

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 1
330 Stillwells Corner Road
Freehold, NJ 07728**

Special Workshop Meeting

October 13, 2020

Chairman John Toutouchi called the special workshop meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 7:00pm, and Chief Dan Spicuzza led the flag salute. Roll call was taken, and the Commissioners present at the meeting were John Toutouchi, Andrew Story, Michael Fogarty and Stephen Lengyel. Also present at the meeting was Board Secretary-Rachel Davis.

Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Fogarty read his October 13, 2020 Treasurer's Report into record.

Motion was made by Mr. Fogarty to transfer \$20,000 from Ocean First money market to Ocean First checking and to pay the bills in the amount of \$17,920.82.

Second: Mr. Story

Roll call vote: 4-0 all in favor

Commissioner Fogarty added that the additional transfer of monies were for payroll.

Commissioner Story confirmed that the Board accepted the bay floor bid from George Koustas Painting & Construction, LLC. The final results of acceptance will be at the next meeting.

Buildings: Mr. Story mentioned the section of flooring that must be repaired. Mr. Story further stated that on October 30th the firehouse would be doing a Haunted Drive Thru. No additional insurance needed. Board agreed.

Budget: Commissioner Fogarty reviewed the 2020/2021-budget comparison with the Board as well as with Chief Dan Spicuzza, 1st Asst. Chief Craig Haas and Captain Frank Santore. Mr. Fogarty expressed his desire to have the 2021 budget completed, voted on and handed in by mid-November.

Budget discussions were held on the following:

- Board agreed on \$40,000 to equip the new 90 (according to Chief Spicuzza's list).
- Purchasing All-Band portable radios in order to communicate more effectively with other towns, and not purchasing MDT's.
- Getting rid of some cell phone service.

Fire Company Vice President John Catenacci asked what was happening with the old Chief's vehicle. The Board advised that they do not have an answer yet. Mr. Catenacci stated that the Fire Company is interested in the vehicle. Board also discussed 88 with Mr. Catenacci and decided to wait until the winter is over to make a decision.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Lengyel to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm.

Second: Mr. Story

4-0 all in favor

Respectfully submitted,

John Toutouchi, Chairman

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