

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
WALL FIRE DISTRICT NO.1
WALL TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY
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The regular monthly meeting of Wall Fire District No.1, Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Bill Davenport with a salute to the flag and announcement of the emergency exits.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10-4-6 et seq., was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No.1 of the Township of Wall, has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, place and agenda to the extent known thereof posted as follows:

- *Published in the Coast Star on January 7, 2016*
- *Published in the Asbury Park Press January 6, 2016*
- *Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on January 7, 2016*
- *Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building on January 7, 2016.*

THE USE OF MOBILE COMMUNICATION DEVICES IS PROHIBITED WHILE THE MEETING IS IN SESSION

Roll Call:

President Davenport – Present
Vice President Hendrickson – Present
Secretary Stelling – Present
Treasurer Miles – Present
Commissioner Curtis – Present

Also in attendance Director William Newberry and Solicitor Jay Sendzik.

The meeting was recessed, and returned back to the Workshop Meeting.

Director Newberry reported on the Inactive Membership Policy that has been under discussion for the past several months. The process must start with the Board and then move to the Fire Company. Director Newberry explained the basics of the Inactive Policy and presented to the Board members a list of the people that will be affected. Commissioner Stelling questioned the list, suggesting that he thought that there were more people should be on the list. Solicitor Sendzik advised the Board that the Personnel Committee could meet in closed session to discuss the matter now instead of waiting until next month. The Board moved on his suggestion and rescheduled the meeting so the Personnel Committee could meet in closed session. The meeting was reopened and the Personnel Committee approved the list as presented. A motion was made to approve the list and have the Clerk work with the Fire Company on moving forward. The motion was moved, second and approved with all members voting yes. Director Newberry reported to the Board on approximate prices of a new cascade system. There are 2 or 3 vendors, and the cost could be around \$30,000. This purchase will not take place until next year. Solicitor Sendzik advised the Board that they have to amend the action of going to Referendum for the purchase of a new Rescue Vehicle. A motion was made to this effect. The motion was moved, second and approved with all members voting yes. The Line Officers have asked the Board if they could allocated \$1000.00 so the Chiefs Room can be completed. There being objection, Director Newberry will handle all requests for purchases. The monies will be taken for the Chiefs Budget. There being no further business the Workshop Meeting was closed.

Public Comment of Agenda Items: None

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was moved, second and approved with all members voting yes. It was also decided that the minutes will be e-mailed to the Board members before the meeting for review. This will also save on paper and printing costs.

Correspondence: Request for 2016 dues from the New Jersey State Fire District Association. No action taken.

Approval of Requisitions, Vouchers and Bills: The Board received their first installment for the Township in the amount of \$90,000. Also received from the Fire Company a \$2000.00 check for their share of the insurance. There being no questions a motion was made to accept the bills for payment. The motion was moved, second, and approved with all members voting yes.

Treasurer's Report: Balance in the Investors checking account as of 3/31/2016 \$233,076.71. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was moved, second, and approved 5-0. Commissioner Stelling and Hendrickson voting yes on all bills except their own.

Committees:

1. House Report – Dry Well has been completed. Still have to remove dirt. The attached shed on the rear of the building will be removed by Contractor or Commissioner Hendrickson. Contractor working in old bar and lounge area. Hope to be completed by mid May.
2. Equipment – Trucks 1-77 & 1-89 went for pump testing. Problem with primer on 1-77 plus low air concern. New truck in service. List of what trucks each engineer can drive completed.
3. Web Site -
4. Fire Bureau- Going well. Gail in the office 4 days a week, 8 hours a day. Mike Clayton is in 1 ½ days a week doing plan review. Problems with electronic inspection system. Vendor working on solving problem. 2005 Ford Crown Vic. has problems, being worked on. 2006 Durango timing chain problem.

Old Business: Joint Board meeting scheduled for April 28, 7:00 p.m. at Dist. 3 main house.

New Business: Director Newberry explained to the Board on the ruling from DCA and how it effected our Budget. Basicly the Board lost \$40,000 in available monies. Director Newberry went on to explain how it will effect our equipment purchases and what equipment will have to wait until next year to be purchased. Solicitor Sendzik agrued the decision from the State, but with now positive results. The Chief and his officers researched three vendors for prices on a Thermal Imaging Camera. The best option is a Drager Camera. The camera also comes with a Combustible Gas Meter. All Hands Fire Equipment is the vendor and the total cost to be \$10,697.99. There being no further discussion a motion was made to approve the purchase. The motion was moved, second and approved with all members voting yes. The Board approved the purchase of new shirts for the Board.

Miscellaneous: Nothing to report.

Public Participation: None

Good of the Board: Director Newberry thanked the Board for moving forward with building renovations.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Norman R. Stelling
Secretary/Clerk of the Board

