

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
WALL FIRE DISTRICT NO.1
WALL TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY
August 7, 2014**

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The regular monthly meeting of Wall Fire District No.1 Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 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 ensure 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 2, 2014*
- *Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on January 2, 2014*
- *Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building on December 27, 2013*

Roll Call:

President- William Davenport- Present
Vice President- Robert Hendrickson-Present
Secretary- Norman Stelling-Present
Treasurer- Ed Miles-Present
Commissioner- Roy Curtis-Present

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to accept the minutes of the July meeting. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting yes.

Correspondence:

State of NJ Department of Labor Notice of Employer Contribution Rates
Copies of Affidavit of Publication from Coast Star and Asbury Park Press
(Notice of Intent to Award a Contract)

Approval of Requisitions, Vouchers and Bills:

A motion was made to accept and pay the bills as submitted. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting yes.

Director's Report:

Accident claim for truck 1-89 was filed. We have received a check from the insurance company, the new compartment for the truck will be ordered from Seagrave. The check amount was \$3,510.93. Director Newberry is currently shopping prices for phone and internet. He attended the New Jersey Emergency Management Grants Public Assistance Applicant Training Seminar. The Director passed the QPA course.

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Sendzik will present and discuss new Resolutions under New Business

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Miles reported that the balance in the Investor's Checking account was \$193,442.09. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. The motion was moved, second, and approved

Committees:

1. House Report:

The Township Code Enforcement Officer was notified about a fence that was placed between the firehouse and the building to the South. The fence is on Commissioner Property and we want it removed.

2. Equipment: The hydrant valve on truck 1-77 was reported to have a problem. Truck 1-75 the tank to pump valve is broken, the part is on back order, but the truck is still in service. The chief's car had a tire replaced, and the Deputy Chiefs car needs a new running light replaced.

3. Fire Bureau:

The Bureau has hired back the part time secretary full time to replace the position left vacant when Judy Henderson retired. No further movement on the Districts doing Smoke Detector Inspections. The Bureau will enter into an agreement with the Township, placing the Bureau personnel into the Townships Health Care Program.

4. Apparatus Committee:

Will be covered under new business

5. Web Site:

Up and running, new issues to report.

Old Business:

1. Storage Rental:

The container that the Board was considering renting to house the 47 Mack is not large enough. The Director is still researching other options.

2. Route 71 House:

The sale is still pending, and the final day for the purchaser is August 8th. The buyer will be notified by Solicitor Sendzik's office that if he does not finalize the contract by August 8th he will forfeit his deposit. The buyer wanted an extension so he could seek Township approval for his intended use of the firehouse. A meeting was held with the Township Administrator, Director Newberry, two representatives from the buyer, and the Township Engineer.

New Business:

1. Resolution entering into contract with Seagrave Fire Apparatus:

There being no questions or objection from the Board, a motion was made to pass the Resolution \$679,489.00. The motion was moved, second, and approved, with all members voting yes.

2. Resolution appointing QPA and enhance quote & bid threshold:

Director Newberry, having completed all required courses, and received proper certification from the New Jersey Department of Consumer Affairs was appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent for Wall Fire District No.1 Board of Fire Commissioners. This is a yearly appointment and his current appointment is from September 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014. This appointment was approved by all members of the Board.

Director Newberry advised the Board that our phone, internet and cable costs have increased from \$179.00 to \$209.00. He contacted Verizon Business Government Solutions to get a cost estimate for these services. They gave a quote of \$181.98 plus any surcharges a month, and a onetime charge of \$149.99 for the router. Also involved in this offer is a \$300 Visa Gift Card and a LG Tablet. A motion was made to have Director Newberry move forward with changing the over to the Verizon service. All Board members vote yes.

Miscellaneous: Nothing to report

Public Participation: None

Good and Welfare: Nothing to report

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman R. Stelling – Secretary/Clerk of the Board

