

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
WALL TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1**

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December 5, 2019

President Davenport calls the regular meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

President Davenport asks the Clerk to Call the Roll:

ROLL CALL:

President Davenport: Present

Vice President Hendrickson – Present

Secretary Stelling – Present

Treasurer Miles – Present

Commissioner Curtis – Absent

Fire District Administrator Newberry and Solicitor Sendzik also in attendance.

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 as follows:

- Published in the Asbury Park Press on December 15, 2018
- Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on December 12, 2018
- Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building on Dec 12, 2018

2020 BUDGET

Mr. Robert Elliot's provided explanation and review of the final copy of the 2020 budget. There being no questions from the Board members, Solicitor Sendzik advised the Board that a Resolution approving the Budget be moved. The Resolution will introduce and approve the Budget, as reported by Mr. Elliot. Total revenues \$1,190,683.00, with the amount to be raised by taxation \$662,000. The Resolution also requires, that the Board sets a date, time, and place, for the annual Budget, for the adoption of the Budget, which is scheduled for January 13, 2020. Commissioner Stelling made a motion to move the Resolution it was second by Commissioner Miles. The motion was moved and carried and approved with all members present voting **YES.**

Solicitor Sendzek advised the Board that they to establish a Temporary Budget, pursuant to statue, that is in the amount of 14% of last years operating budget, the total amount is \$122,405.08. That can be utilized to meet the Boards obligations between January 1 and March 1. A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson and second by Commissioner Miles to establish the Temporary Budget. The motion was moved and carried and approved with all members present voting **YES.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Hendrickson and second by Commissioner Miles to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was moved and carried and approved with all members present voting **YES**.

APPROVAL OF REQUISITIONS, VOUCHERS AND BILLS

A motion was made by Commissioner Stelling and second by Commissioner Miles to approve the bills as submitted for payment. The motion was moved, carried and approved with all members present voting **YES**.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Miles reported that the balance in the Investor's Payroll account was \$7,236.72 and the balance in the Two River Operating account was \$441,674.77. Administrator Newberry reported the \$16,000 will be transferred from the operating account to the payroll account. A motion was made by Commissioner Stelling and second by Commissioner Hendrickson to approve the Treasurer's report. The motion was moved, carried and approved with all members present voting **YES**.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Newberry reports the Fire Company is making great progress in taking in new members. He had met with incoming Chief Campion; he had some ideas that he is assisting him with. The incoming Chief reached out to him about some apparel, the Board will supply \$600 to go towards tee shirts for the company. There are a lot to training things going on at the Fire Academy, some of which are considered controversial, which have been getting resolved. There was an email issued by the Monmouth County Fire Academy, saying that they were increasing the hours of FF1 program so you would have to take FF2 at the same time and. An email was reissued stating that FF2 for now is optional. Fire District #3 reached out to the Administrator saying they are having trouble getting members out for early morning response. They will be having their crews starting at 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m or 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. They have offered this service to us at now additional cost. The Board agreed to go along with the change of times. Administrator Newberry asked Solicitor Sendzek if he could come up with something stating that our junior members will adhere to the State Statue.

COMMITTEES

1. House Report – Progress, New Pole Barn starting on Dec. 10th.
2. Equipment – Ongoing problem with 1-89.
3. Fire Bureau – Follow up with Dist. #2 for their representatives.

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Company approved \$35,000 for the apron project.

Retention – Covered

LOSAP - Covered

NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2020 Meeting Schedule – The Board needs to move a Resolution approving the meeting dates as were discussed. The Resolution will post the agenda to the extent known thereof, it will be sent to the Asbury Park Press, the Coast Star, and posted at the Township Bulletin Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Miles and second by Commissioner Hendrickson to approve the Resolution. The motion was moved, carried and approved with all members present voting **YES**.
- B. The Board discussed dividing the engine bay, at the Route 71 house in half and making a room in the back half for file storage. This will require the Board to submit sealed drawings from an architect to the Township. The cost for the drawings will be \$2500. A motion was made by Commissioner Miles and second by Commissioner

Hendrickson to move forward with getting the architect. The motion was moved, carried and approved with all members present voting **YES**.

MISCELLANEOUS – Nothing to report

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

GOOD OF THE BOARD – Nothing to report

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted;
Norman R. Stelling
Secretary/Clerk of the Board