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

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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 this 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 December 27, 2012
- Filed written notice with the Township Clerk on December 27, 2012
- Posted written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Township Municipal Building on December 27, 2012

Meeting called to order by Commissioner President Bill Davenport at 7:05 p.m.

Salute to the flag followed by announcement of emergency exits.

Roll Call: Commissioners Stelling, Davenport, Hendrickson, & Miles all Present.
Commissioner Kniffin listed as Absent.

The minutes of the January 3, meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Hendrickson and second by Commissioner Miles. All members present voting to accept.

Correspondence:

Received from Jay Sendzik's office: Notice of Budget published in Coast Star & Press
Notice of Election & Referendum published in Coast Star & Press, Resolution Adopting
District 2013 Budget, LOSAP CPI adjustments for 2012.
Notice from the Monmouth County Improvement Authority

Bills and Requisitions: The bills were approved to be paid on a motion by Commissioner Stelling and second by Commissioner Davenport. All members present voting Aye.

Chiefs Report: Chief Newberry reported that for the month of January there were (12) alarms and (1) drill. February 3 will be the annual RTK,BBP, HAZ MAT. refresher training at the firehouse starting at 9:00 a.m.

Solicitor's Report: Jay Sendzik presented to the Board a Resolution Authorizing creation of the paid position for a Director of Fire Services. First Reading of the Resolution was heard and being no questions from the Board the Resolution was passed on a motion by Commissioner Stelling and second by Commissioner Hendrickson. All members present voting Aye. The notice of creating a paid position for a Director of Fire Services will be published in the Coast Star.

Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Miles reported that the balance in the Investors Checking account was \$135,037.49. Motion to accept the treasurer's report Commissioner Stelling, second by Commissioner Davenport. All members present voting Aye.

Committees:

House Report: Hwy 71 firehouse has high security lock on rear door. Union Fire Company has requested approval to change the lock to match the front door. Commissioner Stelling will send a letter authorizing this change. Existing lock and all keys will be returned to the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Equipment Report: Problems with trucks 1-77, 1-75, and 1-89. All being resolved. Heat blowing on truck 1-89 could be causing a problem with the hydraulic fluid in the ladder. Heat should be redirected off ladder.

Bureau of Fire Prevention: Next meeting in March.

Legislation: Solicitor Sendzik – Communities that suffered tax lost because of Sandy will be getting relief from the State.

Apparatus Committee: February 5th meet with salesman from Seargrave Sales and Service, will work on showing a pumper from Monroe Twp. Will meet with John O'keefe on February 26th who represents Pearse Fire Apparatus. Chief meet with Tom Shand from Emergency Vehicle Response Consulting, on February 5th. Chief Newberry also meet with Donald Aull, who is presently working with Wall Township, but does not have any expertise in fire apparatus. Mostly works with public works vehicles. The Board reviewed the proposal from Tom Shand, and approve to sign a agreement with Emergencyh Vehicle Response at a cost of \$4500.00. Motion by Commissioner Davenport and second by Commissioner Hendrickson. All members present voting Aye.

Web Site: Up and running, has already been checked by the State. Commissioner Stelling has received an email from the State Comptroller's Office asking to complete a survey.

Old Business:

Interlocal Agreement Borough of Belmar has been received and signed. Will received payments quarterly upon receipt of voucher from Board. Belmar has agreed to pay any expense over the \$1000 price agreed upon.

FEMA: Chief Newberry met and finalized paper work with FEMA. Payment to be close to \$13,000. Federal Government has agreed to pay for Vol. fireman's time.

New Business

The Board has been asked by the Township Clerk if the Hwy 71 firehouse can be used for the 2013 elections. The Board approved this request on a motion by Commissioner Davenport

and second by Commissioner Hendrickson. Following the November election the building will then be advertised for auction. All members voting Aye.

Acquisition of Military 6x6 Vehicle: Township OEM looking to acquire a 6x6 vehicle. OEM has found program that will make such a vehicle available free of charge to fire districts only. Chief Brice and Sgt. Wilbert met with Chief Newberry and asked if the District would be interested in housing, insuring and providing a driver when necessary. After hearing the requirements of owning this vehicle, the Board approved this acquisition on a motion by Commissioner Hendrickson and second by Commissioner Davenport. All members voting Aye.

Engineer/ Driver Application: The Board reviewed and approved to move ahead with the Engineer/Driver Application. This will apply to new drivers only. The Board moved forward on this new requirement on a motion by Commissioner Davenport and second by Commissioner Stelling,. All members present voting Aye.

Fit Testing: NFPA has released a new Standard concerning Fit Testing. The old method that we have been using is no longer recognized. The new standard requires computerized testing. The equipment costs between \$12,000 and \$16,000. Commissioner Stelling will address this at the next Bureau meeting with the other two districts. Districts could fund this purchase in their 2014 Budgets. Will also ask Bureau about penalty money to be used for purchase.

Miscellaneous: Nothing to report

Public Participation: Company President Doug Davenport asked if there is anything he should report back to the fire company. The problem with tools missing is a serious problem. The problem with smoking in vehicles has stopped. Company will move ahead with building siding. Will be asking Commissioner's for money received from insurance company.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. by Commissioner President Bill Davenport.

Respectfully submitted;

Norman R. Stelling
Secretary/Clerk