

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

PO Box 53
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July 10, 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:

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- *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
Also present Director Bill Newberry and Solicitor Jay Sendzik

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to accept the minutes of the June meeting as submitted. The motion was moved, seconded and approved. All members voting yes.

Correspondence:

Notice of Public Sale from Jay Sendzik's office; copies to Wall Township Municipal Clerk, The Coast Star, The Asbury Park Press
Notice of Alternate Procurement Method from Jay Sendzik's office; copies to Wall Township Municipal Clerk, The Coast Star, and The Asbury Park Press.
Second installment check from the Township

Approval of Requisitions, Vouchers and Bills: A motion was made to approve the bills as submitted. The motion was moved, seconded and approved. All members voting yes.

Director's Report: Director Newberry reported that for the month of June there were 22 alarms. The next company drill will be on July 17th. with ESI Equipment. Also met Robert Elliot CPA to discuss the 2015 Budget.

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Sendzik had nothing to report to the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Miles reported that the balance in the Investor's Checking account was \$109,840.86. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. The motion was moved, second, and approved; all members voting yes.

Committees:

House Report: Commissioner Hendrickson reported that there was an successful bidder on the Route 71 fire house, and the Board can move forward with the completion of the sale.

Equipment Report: Truck 1-75 had rear hearer core replaced, the transmission bracket was broken and fluid was leaking. The bracket was repaired and the transmission was serviced. Truck 1-88 is out for repairs on the light tower. The damage to truck 1-89 was reviewed by the adjuster, but there is a problem with Seagrave getting parts.

Fire Bureau: Commissioner Stelling reported that the Bureau has received to resume's for Judy Hendersons position. The Fire Official will meet with the applicants next week. The Bureau office will work with Dist. 1, and Dist. 2 to arrange for their paid personnel to do smoke detector inspections. The annual Fire Prevention from work during that period, and having the inspectors do the presentations will cause a backlog in inspections.

Apparatus Committee: Will report later in the meeting

Web Site: Up and running with no problems

Old Business:

1. LOSAP: Possible changes to the program will be discussed at the next Workshop Meeting.

2. Lease Agreement: Director Newberry met with the company executive Board, Solicitor Sendzik also in attendance, and the company accepted the agreement with one modification. The lease will run from August 1, 2014 to December 31, 2018. The monthly will be \$32,100. The fire company will be paying their portion of the insurance on a quarterly basis. There was a motion to pass the Resolution accepting the Lease Agreement. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting Yes.

3. Drug Testing: Director Newberry will be working with the personnel committee on the development of the Drug Policy in the next 2 to 3 weeks.

New Business: The Board discussed the possibility of renting a storage trailer to store the 1947 Mack truck. Because of the pending sale of the Route 71 firehouse the Board will have no place to store the vehicle. The cost would be \$1,300.00 a year with a \$150.00 pickup and delivery fee. A motion was made to move ahead with the rental of the trailer. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting Yes.

Approval of Grant Writer Contract: The Board discussed the entering into a contact with Grant Masters for the preparation of a Grant to be used to purchase new SCBA equipment. Grant Masters will handle all the narrative of the grant. The cost of the contract will be \$2,400.00, with half due on the signing of the contract and the rest due on submission to the State. If successful in getting the grant, \$1,500.00 will be included in the grant price to help pay for the grant writer. A motion was made to enter into a contract with Grant Masters. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting Yes.

Resolution Approving the Sale of the Route 71 Firehouse: Solicitor Sendzik reported to the Board that the opening of bids of the Route 71 firehouse took place on July 2, 2014. The auction date and all information relevant to the bid process was advertised in the Coast Star and the Asbury Park Press as per statue. The was one successful bidder. Mr. Augustine Kane, 102 Tuttle Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ 07762 submitted a bid for \$170,212.00. Mr. Kane had a representative in attendance at the meeting. The final closing will take place

within 30 days of the meeting date. Mr. Kane's representative was advised that the signage, and siren will be removed, and everything remains. The being no further questions from the Board or public present, a motion was made to approve a resolution authorizing the sale of the Route 71 firehouse. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting Yes.

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Fire Vehicle thru HGAC: Solicitor Sendzik outlined to the Board the advantages of purchasing a vehicle thru a national cooperative as an alternate procurement method. Mr. Sendzik explained that the greatest advantage was the financial savings to the Board and also the public. The public was afforded an opportunity to participate prior to any action being taken. There being no questions from the Board or public present, the Board will move forward with using HGAC.

Resolution Authorizing Intent to Contract Seagrave Fire Apparatus LLC, for the purchase of a 2014 Seagrave Custom Pumper. The proper notices will be posted for the return date of the award of the contract. That date being August 7th 2014. A motion was made to pass this resolution. The motion was moved, second, and approved. All members voting Yes.

The Board will look into getting prices on detailing of the trucks. Director will get a quote and report back at the next workshop meeting.

Miscellaneous: Nothing to report

Public Participation: Company President Doug Davenport thanked the Board for working with the company to get the Lease Agreement finalized. Doug also asked the Board if there has been any movement on looking into changes to the LOSAP Program.

Good of the Board: Director Newberry commended Deputy Chief Hendrickson on taking charge of the fire truck ride at the Wall Fair, that was a bid success.

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