BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS WALL FIRE DISTRICT NO.1

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The regular monthly workshop meeting of Wall Fire District No.1, Board of Fire Commissioner was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Davenport.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A.10-4-6 et seg. 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 Asbury Park Press December 23, 2020
- Published in the Coast Star December 24, 2020

ROLL CALL:

President - Davenport - Present Vice President - Hendrickson - Absent Secretary - Stelling- Present Treasurer - Miles - Present Commissioner - Curtis - Absent Administrator Newberry also in attendance.

Administrator Newberry reported on the following Agenda items:

House Report: The Fios service has been installed, and making progress on the front apron.

Equipment: Electric discharge on truck 1-89 has been repaired.

Fire Bureau: Fire Prevention presentations are wrapping up, everything else going well.

Capital Improvements; 18th. Avenue apron moving along, route 71 restroom is complete, garage wall to start after the first of the year.

Driver Policy: No new update.

Engineer Training Requests: None at this time. Communications Upgrade: Waiting for delivery. Fire Police Program: To be addressed at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

The State of New Jersey came out with a directive, that is now requiring all fire districts to submit to the Township Committee, what the compensation is for the Board of Fire Commissioners, for approval. Every year we have to send a resolution to the township committee filing out each of the commissioners' positions and what they get paid, and the township committee will either approve or disapprove.

Wall Fire District #3 sat down and discussed with the Administrator the renewal of our agreement with them for our Administrative Services. They want to renew the agreement and they would like to have the Administrator

and our office to serve as Business Administrator for that fire district. It will be an additional \$1000 a month, \$12,000 a year, and that will go to the fire district. There being no questions or objections for the Board, the Administrator will move forward with the paper work.

2022 Budget: Administrator Newberry reviewed with the Board a draft of proposed Capital Improvements for the 2022 budget.

Parking Lot – Auxiliary Building: Administrator Newberry is suggesting that the Board take on some black top work around the new building out back. In exchange for the fire company signing a 4-year lease with the district, so we have jurisdiction over that building.

There was a fairly long discussion on the proposed purchase of a snow plow for the utility truck. The question is how to police the usage of the truck once the plow is installed. The Board decided to put the money for the plow in the budget, and will try to come up with a solution on how to control who uses the utility truck for snow plowing later in the future.

The November 4th District meeting will now be held on November 18th at 7:00 p.m. The Board also decided to hold the 2022 District meetings on the 3rd third Thursday of the month.

Administrator Newberry also asked to purchase additional radios, an atx8000 portable radio in the amount of \$7,704.85, a ATX8000 Rugged radio in the amount of \$8,659.25, and (2) sets of turnout gear in the amount of \$5,803.36.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;

Norman R. Stelling Secretary/ Clerk of the Board