

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

WALL FIRE DISTRICT NO.1

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The regular monthly meeting of Wall Fire District No.1, Board of Fire Commissioner was called to order at 4:30 pm with the salute to the flag by President Davenport.

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 Asbury Park Press on January 3, 2025*
- *Published in the Coast Star on January 9, 2025*

ROLL CALL:

President - Davenport – Present

Vice President – Curtis - Present

Secretary – Stelling – Present

Treasurer – Rogers - Present

Commissioner – Campion – Present

Chief Newberry is also in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Curtis to approve the minutes of the earlier meeting as submitted. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting YES.

APPROVAL OF REQUISITIONS, VOUCHERS AND BILLS: A motion was made by Commissioner Campion and seconded by Commissioner Curtis to approve the bills as submitted for payment. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting YES.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Commissioner Rogers reported the balance in the Ocean First Operating Account was \$542,279.70 and the balance in the Citizen’s Payroll Account was \$46,582.45. The Board members decided it would be in the best interest of the Board to open a Money Market Account at Ocean First Bank. The Board will leave \$100,000.00 in the Operating Account and transfer the balance into the Money Market Account.

Funds will be transferred back into the Operating Account as needed. A motion was made by Commissioner Curtis and seconded by Commissioner Campion to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted and to moved forward with establishing the Money Market Account. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting **YES**.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Progress

COMMITTEES:

1. House Report: No clear problems.
2. Equipment: Truck 1-77 back from having the hose cover installed
3. Fire Bureau: Fire Prevention presentation held at West Belmar School.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Ladder 89 Repairs – Out of service for now. The Chief and Dept. Chief have reached out to Seagrave about repairs. Still waiting to here back. They are also researching other vendors that may be more cost effective.
- B. Parking lot paving – French & Perillo were on site yesterday. They were doing core drilling samples.
- C. Electrical Service Upgrades – French & Perillo nearing the completion of the engineering plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. New House Air Compressor System with Air Dryer – Air & Gas Tech. submitted a quote of \$7,070.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Curtis and seconded by Commissioner Roger to accept the quote and move forward with the project. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting **YES**.
- B. Air & Electric Wheels – A motion was made by Commissioner Curtis and seconded by Commissioner Campion to purchase the air & electric wheels from Grainger at a cost of \$2,346.28. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting **YES**.
- C. Pay-Per-Call updates – Chief Newberry presented to the Board proposed changes to the pay per call program. There being no objections or questions about the changes, a motion was made by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Curtis to approve the changes to the program. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting **YES**.
- D. Chief Officer Stipend – Chief Newberry submitted proposed adjustments to the current program. Again, the Board reviewed the proposed adjustments and there were no objections or questions. A motion was made by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Davenport to approve these changes. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting **YES**.
- E. Capital Projects 2026 – proposed Capital Projects for 2026
Ladder Truck Upgrades = #200,000
2007 Pumper Apparatus Upgrades = \$15,000
Deputy Chief Vehicle Upgrades = \$7,000
Parking Lot Auxiliary Building - \$10,000
Electrical Service Upgrades – 18th avenue Station = \$15,000
Communication Upgrades = \$30,000
HVAC Improvements – 18 Ave Station = \$50,000
We will be applying the \$1000,000 from 2025 Reserve for future capital outlays to the Ladder Truck Upgrades project. A motion was made by Commissioner Campion and second by Commissioner Curtis to approve the proposed Capital Projects for 2026. The motion was moved and approved with all members voting **YES**.

MISCELLANEOUS: Nothing to come before the Board currently.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

GOOD OF THE BOARD: Nothing to come before the Board currently.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to be addressed by the Board currently, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Norman R. Stelling
Secretary/ Clerk of the Board