

**Weymouth Township Fire District No. 1**  
PO Box 175, Dorothy, NJ 08317

The Weymouth Township Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #1 will endeavor to provide the best fire protection and emergency services possible to the residents and taxpayers of Weymouth Township and those who work and travel in the Township and every effort will be made to do so in a cost-effective manner.

**November 19, 2024 :**

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Weymouth Township was called to order by Doug Frick at 7:30 pm at the Dorothy Fire Hall located in Weymouth Township.

Public Notice of this meeting was sent to the Daily Journal for publication as prescribed by law. Notice was also posted on the Fire District website. All requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been achieved for this meeting in compliance with the Sunshine Law.

**Call to Order and Flag Salute 7:30**

**Roll Call:**

Doug Frick	(present) Chairman
Elizabeth Hand	(present) Treasurer
Hansel Torriero	(present)
Donnel Ruga	(present) Secretary

October 2024 meeting minutes were distributed for review via email prior to meeting. Members approved.

Motion to approve made by Hansel Torriero and seconded by Elizabeth Hand . All in favor.

~Budget discussion with accountant Tonya Devito:

- Proposed budget was distributed to members for review
- Discussion held about the pros/cons of taking the Levy Cap bank monies.
- Budget will increase 1% to make up for not taking the ratables for 2022,2023,2024,2025.
- \$1350.25 will be moved into the personnel equipment line item to cover yearly cost of turnout gear inspection.

Roll Call vote held to approve introduction of the proposed 2025 budget. Copy of the proposed budget will be posted publicly for review ahead of next month's meeting.

Doug Frick	(yes) Chairman
Elizabeth Hand	(yes) Treasurer
Hansel Torriero	(yes)
Donnel Ruga	(yes) Secretary
Vacancy (1)	

**Treasurer's Report: 8:02**

Checking balance before bills: \$72,622.70 Balance after bills: \$23,202.22

Total of bills to be paid: \$49,420.48 Savings balance: \$ 29,432.23

Deposits made : \$33,322.50 from the Township (taxes)

\$8620.02 Oaks Fees

\$500.50 fuel reimbursement from Fire Company

\$271.69 refund from Glatfelter Insurance

\$5000.00 Fire Company reimbursement for turnout gear

~ A bill for \$700.00 for hydrostatic testing of the SCUBA tanks by Hamilton Fire and Safety was added to the bills to pay list.

Explanation of bills:

~ADS Automotive bill was for Oil changes in 1273, 1274, 1276

~ Bound Tree was for EMS supplies

~ Atlantic County FF assoc was for Fire Officers training to be held in Jan.

~ Clean Energy for solar

~Riggins was for fuel

~SJ Welding was for 02

~Dival Safety was for turnout gear

~ First Hamilton Safety bill was for repair of air bottle o rings, second bill for hydrostatic testing of bottles

~MASE bill was for 4 new pagers

~ Napa bill for replacement parts for vehicles

~Suburban Propane is the new vendor with the state contract

~\$35,000 shifted to Savings/Capital Funds

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Hansel Torriero and seconded by Donnel Ruga.

Motion to pay the bills was made by Hansel Torriero and seconded by Donnel Ruga.

**Old business 8:13**

~ Official election notice has not been received from the Board of Election. Unofficially Hansel Torriero was voted back into his position on the Commission.

There were 37 write-in votes but we do not have any further information on who was listed.

~ Secretary Ruga noted that the letter written last month to notify Tatianna Pietrosante of removal from the Commission was mailed on Oct 17,2024.

**New business 8:14**

~ PO's received from Chief Hand:

- \$1380.00 for new mattresses for bunk rooms. (Building maintenance line item)
- \$1,792.00 for new bailout kits (Equipment- Vehicle line item)
- \$3,918.07 for new batteries from Dival Safety for the extrication equipment, chainsaws and lights (Equipment-vehicle line item)
- \$1,811.75 for reimbursement to the Fire Company for purchase of multiple misc. items for firefighting (door stops, webbing, fire picks, rescue swim shoes, etc) coming from (Equipment- vehicle line item)

Equipment- vehicle line item total withdrawal- \$ 7,521.82

Building Maintenance total- \$ 1380.00

Total for POs \$8,901.82

Motion to accept and approve the PO requests was made by Hansel Torriero and seconded by Donnel Ruga. All were in favor.

~ Monies to be shifted between Line items to cover shortages:

- \$1,000 from training to radio maintenance
- \$1200 from building maintenance to Equipment-vehicle
- \$1,600 from salary to equipment- personnel ( 5000 reimbursement from FC this month as well)
- \$630 from training to telephone

Motion was made to move monies as noted above was made by Elizabeth Hand, seconded by Hansel Torriero and all were in approval.

~ Chairman Frick will contact the lawyer for the truck purchase in regard to the outstanding bill we have not received.

### **Meeting opened to the public 8:31**

Chief Hand:

~ Remodel of the meeting room is going well.

~ FC has submitted to the county OEM for boat equipment, stokes basket and 2 new AEDs.

~ FC also is getting a new UTV through grants, OEM and FC monies. Ladies Aux. will purchase initially, the TWP. will be the listed owners and the FC will reimburse the Ladies Aux. when the grants are received.

~ FC had 3 extrications this month. The new equipment worked very well.

### **Closed meeting to the public @ 8:41 pm**

no action required

### **Meeting adjourned at @8:42 pm**

Next Meeting will be Dec 17th, 2024 at 7pm.