Weymouth Township Fire District No. 1

PO Box 227, 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.

September 21, 2021:

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Weymouth Township was called to order by Chairman Frick at 7:39pm at the Dorothy Fire Hall located in Weymouth Township.

Public Notice of this meeting was sent to the Atlantic City Press for publication as prescribed by law. All requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been achieved for this meeting in compliance with the Sunshine Law.

Roll Call:

Tatiana Pietrosante (present)
Doug Frick (present)
Elizabeth Hand (present)
Hansel Torriero (absent)
Donnel Ruga (present)

Motion to approve minutes from August delayed for review by several board members.

Treasurer's Report:

Reading of bills due for payment. It was noted that bill marked Mark Madara was for reimbursement for a purchase of mixed fuel. Bill for Doug Frick was reimbursement for the Go Daddy payment.

Copies of treasurer's report and bank statements distributed. Total to be paid out Initial amount \$17,967.16

Adjustments made: Copier bill (US Bank Equipment) changed to 69.15 due to discrepancy Fuel bill for 323.88 was added bringing adjusted total to \$18,216.09

It was noted that accountant Matt Preziosi is finishing up the audit.

Account balances as of 9/21/21: checking ending #6613 is \$42383.97 savings ending #6237 is \$41,532.60

Motion to accept report and pay the bills was made by Tanya Pietrosante. Second- Donnel Ruga All in Favor

Old business: 7:59 pm

- ~Anthony Bannister sentencing has been rescheduled for 10/18/21
- ~ Quicken books issue is still being looked into further by Treasurer Hand to see if the Fire Commission and Fire Dept. can share the platform and simply have two different companies on the same iCloud version of the account.
- ~ Go Daddy payment was made by Doug Frick and will be reimbursed this month. The payment was for the entire year. Hopefully the situation will be resolved before another payment will be needed. (The debit card that was obtained to make this purchase was destroyed for everyone to witness. The card was not used and should not have been issued by the bank for this account.)
- ~ Chairman Frick discussed that we received the formal resolution from the County Board of Elections to November starting January of 2022. Resolution copy will be kept with the minutes and notes for this month's meeting. Doug will also send copies to the state and Twp. Clerk. Commissioners up for reelection next year will be Elizabeth Hand and Donnel Ruga. The dates of terms will change and officially begin on the first Tuesday of December.

Old business closed at 8:10

New business: 8:10

- ~ Discussion of upcoming budget process. Developed budget will be approved at the October meeting. Public notice will then be made for discussion and adoption to be held at the November meeting.
- \sim Line items monies will be able to be shifted starting in November to cover other needs in different areas. Board advised to look over for possible needs and changes.

Meeting opened to the public 8:14pm

Chief Hand-

- ~ Discussion about the major purchases that will be needed before year end: New helmets for some members.
 - 4 mobile radios will be needed to switch to 700mhz.
 - 3 to be bought by the Fire Commission and 1 by the Fire Dept.
- ~ 1270 tires are in need of replacement. 4 tires were replaced and the remaining 6 were ordered. Projected fee is roughly \$7000. Dry rot was noted on several tires. Tires are 19 years old. Discussion was help about the status of other tires and equipment. Request was made for Chief Hand to develop a list of critical items that need to be addressed so the Board can prioritize budget money and develop a plan to address all issues.

Mayor Haeser:

- ~ Weymouth Twp School was just named a Blue-Ribbon School by the federal government. This is a distinguished honor.
- ~ Discussion about the recent newsletter was held.
- ~There is a possible change coming with Hamilton Twp and the MUA agreement with Weymouth Twp. Talk of Hamilton Twp not renewing contract in 2 years.
- ~Weymouth twp. will host the Pinelands Commission meeting on Sept. 28th at the town hall.
- ~ County wide court program is moving along and slated to begin on Jan. 1 2022.
- ~ There is a CARES money seminar on Sept 27th that will discuss how the money can be utilized. Mayor will forward what information is obtain at that seminar.

Closed meeting to the public @ 8:43

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm