## 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.

### **NOVEMBER 16, 2021:**

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Weymouth Township was called to order by Chairman Frick at 7:36 pm 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 (absent)
Doug Frick (present)
Elizabeth Hand (present)
Hansel Torriero (present)
Donnel Ruga (present)

Motion to approve minutes from October delayed for review awaiting Tanya Pietrosante sending out the completed minutes.

## Old business: 7:38 pm

- ~ Audit report from Matt Preziosi was received and copies distributed to all present Commissioners for review. Approval of the audit will be delayed until Dec so that all members can review. Recommendations and findings were discussed. Plan of action will be discussed and solidified at December's meeting. Copies of the audit will be kept in the file at the Firehouse and published on the website. Chairman Frick will see to that task.
- ~ Budget for 2022 package was also received from Mr. Preziosi and copies were distributed to all present members for review. In keeping with the printed dates in the budget the committee will approve the budget in November and final vote will be in December. Chairman Frick read aloud the proposed budget line items/amounts and there was an opportunity for any questions/discussion.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Account balances as of 10/29/21: checking ending #6613 is \$20,765.17 savings ending #6237 is \$ 41,534.61 Copies of bank account statements distributed to all present members for review. Current balance for Checking as of Nov 21 per Treasurer Hand is 62,994.39.

Difference of balance is due to receiving tax payments from Weymouth Twp. Balance of Savings is unchanged.

List of all bills to be paid distributed. Questions raised about what the First Priority and Elizabeth Hand bills were for. First Priority was for repair to the ambulance doors. Elizabeth Hand purchase was for batteries for the SCUBA pass alarms.

The bill for the State of NJ is an annual fee that will be held until Jan for payment.

The adjusted total for bills to pay went from \$11,823.43 to \$11,748.43.

Motion to accept report and pay the bills was made by Hansel Torriero Second- Donnel Ruga All in Favor

Discussion was held on the process of paying bills electronically. Treasurer Hand will discuss with the Treasurer from Richland FC and the bank. Further discussion to be held next month on the best method to make direct payments.

#### **New business:**

- ~ Chief Hand has requested the following three items be covered by the Commission:
  - 1. 4 new mobile 700 MHz that are needed for the vehicles. (approx. \$10,000)
- 2. 3 new fire helmets (\$660.00)
- 3. Hose replacement for damaged fire hose found on inspection. (\$2668.00)

Discussion held about shifting 2021 budget line-item monies to cover areas of need.

There is a \$4,586.11 overage drawn on the Vehicle maintenance line item due to the recent oil pump repair.

The following shifts of monies are noted below:

- \$9,000.00 from Insurance budget line to the radio budget line.
- \$1,000.00 from the Fuel Heating line to the Electric line.
- \$500.00 from Training-fire line to the Telephone line.
- -\$2,000.00 from Training-fire line to the vehicle fuel line.
- -\$4,000.00 from Equipment-personnel to Vehicle Maintenance
- -\$4,000.00 from Equipment-vehicle to Vehicle Maintenance

Resolution for line-item transfers per regulations:

Roll Call vote

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

Resolution passed. All will be typed up and added to file.

# Meeting opened to the public 8:52pm

#### Chief Hand-

- ~ Discussion held on 1273 and the concerns with the Title. The FD is currently paying the remainder of the loan but the name of the loan is in the name of the Commission. It will be looked into to see about changing the name of the loan to the Dept.
- ~ Question was raised about the corporation code needed by the Commission. Chairman will follow up with Tanya Pietrosante to see what the progress is on that matter.
- ~ Question to be addressed with Melissa Ford at the State concerning if the FD can gather monies to buy the new ambulance will the Commission be allowed to transfer capital to cover the remaining balance when the time comes.
- ~There is discussion that the Acorn Association may be able to cover the expense of replacing the remaining tires to be replaced on 1272.
- ~Grants have been applied for by the FD for SJ Gas and the NJ Forest Fire.
- $\sim$  Request made to donate the remaining old SCUBA 30 min bottles to Milmay and Mullica Twp FD.

Motion to allow donation made by Donnel Ruga Second by Hansel Torriero All in favor

Closed meeting to the public @ 9:03

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM