

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.

January 16th 2024 :

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Weymouth Township was called to order by Doug Frick at 7:35 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 7:35

Roll Call:

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

December 2023 meeting minutes were read for members to review.

Motion made to accept the minutes was made by H Torriero. Seconded by E. Hand. All in favor.

Reorganization of the commission recommended to stay the same. Motion made by D Ruga and seconded by H. Torriero

note that Hansel Torriero and Tatiana Pietrosante are both up for re-election in Nov. 2024. Petitions must be completed and turned in to the Township Clerk by July.

Treasurer's Report: 7:42

Checking balance before bills: \$23,067.07 Balance after bills: \$14,888.55

Total of bills to be paid: \$8,178.52

Savings balance: \$ 26,561.47 + \$60,000 in CD

Checking balance is reconciled total from 2023. Fourth quarter 2023 payment from Twp. is still outstanding.

Explanation of bills:

- ~ Birch's Communications bill for 1271 siren repair
- ~Clean Energy- solar bill
- ~Cleggs Garage bill is for 1276 repair
- ~Dival- SCBA annual flow test
- ~Hainesport- 1276 work

Motion to accept the report was made by D Ruga, seconded by H Torriero and all were in favor.
Motion to pay the bills was made by H Torriero, seconded by D Ruga and all were in favor.

Old business 7:51

~ Budget process is moving along

Email was received from the DCA on 12/19/2023 with conditional approved status for 2024 budget.

~ DMV Corp code(MV ENI) was finally obtained by D. Frick. Original is filed in office file cabinet. Copy given to Chief Hand for vehicle purchase process.

~ Truck purchase is progressing.

Resolution to publish advertising for official bids for financing of the new apparatus. Deadline for delivery to Twp. Hall is Jan 31.

Roll Call vote:

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

Resolution passed. Signed and will be scanned and filed.

Financial lawyer will send information to his known vendors.

New business 8:02:

~Cash management plan will remain the same and the bank of use will still be Ocean Bank.

Resolution 2024-1 to accept the cash management plan

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

All in favor- Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-2 to hire Cheryl Sayers CPA to process the 2025 Budget

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

All in favor- Resolution passed.

Both Resolutions signed and will be filed.

~ We need to hire a new auditor for 2024. E Hand will speak with Cheryl Sayers with hope to be able to have them help to obtain Ford Scott company.

~ Pad fee increase for 2024 will be looked at and the process started.

Meeting opened to the public 8:13:

Chief Hand:

~ Fire truck chassis will be ordered at the end of Jan. CD's will then be pulled for down payment and full order will be placed in March.

~1276 is declining quickly. FD is financing and ordering a new transport ambulance to replace it.

~ County Fuel program is beginning on Feb 1,2024.

FD will reimburse the Fire Commission for the transport fuel cost monthly.

~ SCBA bottles will need hydrostatic testing this year.

~ a matching forest fire grant for \$5,000 toward new turnout gear was obtained. That will help to cover the cost of three new pairs of a coat/pants.

Chief would like to stay on cycle to replace three per year.

~SCBA masks need decent bags to list sizes and protect them. Chief requested to purchase at cost of \$19.00/a piece with 24 dollar shipping. cost will be around \$400.00.

Closed meeting to the public @ 8:24pm

~Motion made by H Torriero to purchase the three sets of coat/pants turnout gear. Seconded D Ruga and all were in favor.

~Motion made by H Torriero to purchase SCBA mask bags. Seconded E Hand. All in favor.

~Next meeting scheduled is Feb 20, 2024 at 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:26