November 10, 2021

Town Hall 1766 Union Avenue, 2nd Floor Hazlet, NJ 07730

The **REGULAR MEETING** was opened by **Chairman Parleman** at **7:45PM**. **Chairman Parleman** led the **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**, followed by a **MOMENT OF SILENCE**. **Chairman Parleman** read the following statement:

In compliance with the **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT** of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner:

On December 2, 2020, advance written notice of this meeting was posted at Town Hall, 1766 Union Avenue, Hazlet, NJ;

On December 2, 2020, advance written notice of this meeting was sent to the Newark Star Ledger and the Asbury Park Press; and

On December 2, 2020, copies of the advance written notice were mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice.

ALSO:

On April 27, 2021, advance written notice of location of meeting change was sent to the Newark Star Ledger and the Asbury Park Press.

I direct the Fire District Clerk to enter into the minutes this announcement and the advance written notice of this meeting.

Chairman Parleman called for a ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Preston - PRESENT
Commissioner Schroeck - PRESENT
Commissioner Lopez - PRESENT
Commissioner Parleman - PRESENT
Commissioner Sheldrick - ABSENT

Rich Braslow - PRESENT (VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE)
Neil Braslow - PRESENT (VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE)

Michelle Barney, QPA - PRESENT
Frank Oliva, Jr., Secretary - ABSENT
Tom Horner, Fire Official - PRESENT
Steve Schmidt - PRESENT

Also Present:

Chris Alcott - Township Chief Capt. Steiner for Patrick Wood - 1st Assistant Chief

A MOTION to APPROVE the WORKSHOP and REGULAR MINUTES of the October 13, 2021 MEETING was offered by Commissioner Schroeck and seconded by Commissioner Lopez. All voted in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

- Comm. Schroeck brought up the Officer Training procedures and policy. A discussion followed.
 A MOTION to APPROVE the Officer Training and policy was offered by Commissioner Schroeck and seconded by Commissioner Preston.
 - Comms. Schroeck, Preston and Parleman voted in favor, Comm. Lopez voted against.
- Budget is 90% complete and will be presented at the December meeting. To be adopted at the January 2022 meeting.
- Looking to increase money in company contracts and possibly district purchase new fit test machine.
- Comm. Preston discussed the Line items on the Budget and how the monies are to be used.
- The Board also brought up increasing the members death benefit for the district from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Once a member reaches the age of 70, the benefit would revert back to \$10,000. The Board was in agreement.
- A full list of members for the Workers Compensation policy will need to be submitted to the Board. The President of each company will be notified for this list. The decrease of members on this list would reduce the current cost of the policy significantly.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Preston submitted the **ATTACHED FINANCIAL REPORTS** indicating account balances. Commissioner Lopez MOVED THE TREASURER'S REPORT BE APPROVED. Commissioner Schroeck seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL voted in favor, Commissioner Preston abstained.

Commissioner Preston presented the ATTACHED LIST of OPERATING ACCOUNT and FIRE BUREAU BILLS TO BE PAID. Commissioner Lopez moved the OPERATING BILLS and FIRE BUREAU BILLS BE PAID. Commissioner Schroeck seconded the motion. ALL voted in Favor.

REQUISITIONS

No further requisitions will be accepted this year.

CHIEFS

Township Chief Christopher Alcott

- Tower 1-90 is back in service. Seagrave replaced all items necessary from to the fire in the cab due to the faulty alternator. 1-90 was returned to the building but still no update from Fire and Safety. The Board is still waiting for an invoice from Seagrave for the repair. The company Wireless will pay for all costs incurred.
- 1-77 the truck is still covered under warranty due to the Def Fuel issue.

Captain Robert Steiner for 1st Assistant Chief Patrick Wood

- Will bring Chief Wood up to speed regarding the items discussed.
- Scott packs are completed.
- The turbo issue, nothing further, just shuts off.
- Portable radios upgraded. Working with HFC and WKFC to upgrade their portables.

2nd Assistant Chief Edward Schmidt

- NO REPRESENTATION.
- Changing of the Badges will be held on New Years Day at 3pm at NCVFC.

FIRE OFFICIAL THOMAS HORNER

- 121 Comm. Inspections / 46 CCO inspections.
- Costco fire watch money to be received soon.
- Pep Boys will keep the auto repair section but Advance Auto will be taking over the Auto Parts store section.

- Planet Fitness the system is drained but the alarm panel is still in service.
- The first entrance into the strip mall at Fridays is currently closed.
- Old Sports Authority is close to opening 2 floors. A walk through is scheduled.
- Old Shop Rite plans to build 6 buildings for storage, request hydrants.
- Holmdel Road behind Exxon (at the Jug Handle) will be the site of a strip mall.
- The old Backyard Liquidators will be the new site for Brooklyn Kayaks.

FIRST AID - STEVE SCHMIDT

Pagers are in and programmed. Coverage drill to be held on 10/30. No injuries. Covid 19 is still around, be careful.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE.

RESOLUTIONS

NONE.

NEW APPLICATIONS

The application submitted for Russell was accepted upon receipt of the fingerprinting results.

AT THIS POINT (8:16pm) the MEETING WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC.

Matt Schmidt – WKFC asked about the driving policy for officers. Must be able to drive to become an officer. A discussion followed.

AT THIS POINT (8:20pm) the MEETING WAS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

Results from the election for Commissioner showed that Joseph Schroeck, Jr. will be the new commissioner.

Comm. Parleman praised Comm. Preston for all the years and dedication he showed to this Board. Wishes him well going forward.

At this point (8:23pm) Commissioner Lopez MOVED THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED, Commissioner Schroeck seconded the motion. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

The next scheduled workshop meeting is December 15, starting with the Re-Org meeting at 6:15 pm.

Leslie Parleman, III, Chairman

Joseph Schroeck, Clerk