

JAMESBURG BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Fire District No. 1

Minutes

November 21, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting was called to order by Attorney Joseph Youssouf. The meeting is being held pursuant to The Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and provisions of that Act have been met.

Meeting commenced at, 7:02 PM

ROLL CALL:

Lynette Emens
Stephanie Rampacek
William Stonaker
Dina Walker
Brian Wright
Attorney Youssouf

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES FROM OCTOBER MEETING:

Proposed By: Stephanie Rampacek

Seconded By: Lynette Emens

All in Favor: Yes, Brian Wright abstain

TREASURER'S REPORT

Stephanie Rampacek, 1st Constitution

	Checking:	Savings:
<i>Bal. Bt. Fwd:</i>	20,026.34	342,276.04
<i>Deposits:</i>	47,906.53	276.27
<i>Vouchers:</i>	47,901.41	
<i>Rec. Bal.</i>	20,031.46	294,677.24
<i>Grand Total Cash On Hand:</i>		314,708.70

MOTION TO ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORT:

Proposed By: Brian Wright

Seconded By: Lynette Emens

All in Favor: Yes

REQUISITIONS:

Stephanie Rampacek:

RELIABLE FIRE PROTECTION:

Kitchen Hood repair, \$674.25

ISLAND TECH SERVICES:

Code 3 Light Bar for J4, 79" \$3961.00

Emergency Services, 79" \$4526.00

Trilon Emergency Vehicle, 60" \$4048.00

MOTION TO ACCEPT REQUISITIONS:

Proposed By: William Stonaker

Seconded By: Brian Wright

All in Favor: Yes

Discussion about amounts remaining and updating line items.

New documentation was created by Treasurer Rampacek to explain the amounts in each line item that are getting close to being totally expended, for 2019.

CORRESPONDENCE:

CNC-3 form was received from the Borough Tax Collector, it will be posted on Board of Fire Commissioners website.

An application from the Borough Tax Assessor was received and needs to be filled out and filed with his office to maintain our tax exemption status.

Received a copy of the last minutes from the NJ Assoc. of Fire Districts.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Joseph Youssef:

Discussed the schedule for the upcoming budget:

Introduction of Budget by 12-17-2019

Adopt Budget 1-16-2020

Election will be 2-15-2020

Discussed Bonding procedures for 2020 budget.

Nomination petitions must be in no later than 1-21-2020

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Jonathon Rampacek:

Kitchen hood needs repair, submitted requisition for repairs this evening.

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT:

Chris Rampacek:

(See attached call sheet)

Presented the contract agreement between Helmetta, Spotswood, and Jamesburg for the sharing of the maintenance of the shared FIT machine to Attorney Youssouf for review.

Attorney Youssouf read over the contract and stated that Helmetta and Spotswood are responsible for their portion of the agreement.

An injury occurred to one of Jamesburg’s firefighters during call #147, on October 25, 2019. Robert Soden Jr was hit above the eye with regulator from air pack, required a couple band aids and he declined medical attention. Stated that he was fine. Injury report will go on file.

Chief briefly discussed a fatal fire that occurred on 11-6-2019 on Sheridan Street in the Borough, Crisis team came to the firehouse and met with approximately 15 members to help cope with the fire call.

During the fire call, an intake was broken on side of Truck J10

2 flashlights and 2 nozzles were damaged, will file claim with insurance company.

Tanker is Out Of Service, at Foley checking out a possible miss in engine.

Requested a new printer for the fire line office.

Chairman Dina Walker expressed thanks to the Fire Department for their professionalism during the Sheridan Street fire. All commissioners expressed their gratitude in the same manor.

Had 3 meetings with members of the Fire department and several Fire Apparatus Manufacturers, the Fire Department is looking to replace the current ladder truck, J10 with a new 100 foot ladder truck. The challenge they are coming upon is that any new Ladder that is built at this time will not fit into the current building, renovations will be necessary. Discussion continued about different avenues to look at for financing such a project, (truck and building renovations.) Discussion to continue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stephanie Rampacek:

Windows 7 will no longer be supported by Microsoft in 2020, Dina suggested with the \$1100 in budget that we look into the possibility of replacing computer and with 2020’s budget replace chief’s printer.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dina Walker:

She spoke to Gerry about the 2020 budget and the possibility of having to raise the budget by a penny, continued discussion about 2020 budget.

Discussion about the impact of mail in ballots might have on any future Fire District Elections.

Brian Wright:

Questioned the possibility of raising the LOSAP contribution for the qualified firefighters, Dina stated that we raise it by the cost of living increase. Without a referendum we can make a **onetime** contribution to qualified members accounts. Discussion about this subject continued.

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

Proposed By: William Stonaker

Seconded By: Brian Wright

All in Favor: Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pradeep Mathew, Ridgeview Road, Jamesburg NJ

Can the company solicit companies moving into town for funds or equipment to operate?

Attorney stated that is illegal.

MOTION TO CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC:

Proposed By: William Stonaker

Seconded By: Lynette Emens

All in Favor: Yes

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: 8:14 PM

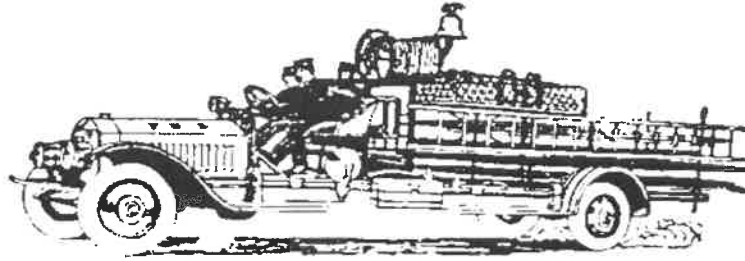
Proposed By: William Stonaker

Seconded By: Lynette Emens

All in Favor: Yes

Brian Wright

Clerk for the Board of Fire Commissioners



JAMESBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Chief's REPORT

MONTH: November

TOTAL CALLS FOR MONTH: 16

TOTAL CALLS FOR YEAR: 167

NATURE OF CALL

LOCATION OF CALL

ALARM ACTIVATION: 4

JAMESBURG BOROUGH: 12

STRUCTURE: 1

MONROE #1: 0

CAR: 0

MONROE #3: 1

BRUSH: 2

Hightstown: 1

M. V. ACCIDENT: 0

HELMETTA: 1

Mutual Aid: 2

MCFA: 1

HAZ-MAT: 0

Gas Leak: 1

DRILL: 2

WORKNIGHT: 1

Smoke Condition: 2

Chimney Fire : 1

MILES TRAVELED: 78

HOURS OF SERVICE: 30

HOURS PUMPED: 4

TOTAL MAN HOURS: 528