

**JAMESBURG BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**Fire District No. 1**

**Minutes**

**July 18, 2024**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** This meeting was called to order by P. Mathew. The meeting is being held pursuant to The Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and the provisions of that Act have been met.  
Meeting commenced at, 7:32 pm

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL:** Dwayne Fitzpatrick- ABSENT  
Salvatore Georgianna  
Pradeep Mathew  
Stephanie Rampacek  
Brian Wright  
Attorney Youssouf

**MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:**

Proposed By: S. Rampacek  
Seconded By: P. Mathew  
In Favor: S. Rampacek, P. Mathew, B. Wright  
Abstain S. Georgianna

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

S. Rampacek:

|                                  | <b>Checking:</b> | <b>Savings:</b> |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bal. Bt. Fwd.:</i>            | 20,007.93        | 725,950.34      |
| <i>Deposits:</i>                 | 39,305.59        | 11,711.54       |
| <i>Vouchers:</i>                 | (39,305.41)      |                 |
| <i>Rec. Bal.</i>                 | 20,008.11        | 698,364.40      |
| <i>Grand Total Cash on Hand:</i> |                  | 718,372.51      |

**MOTION TO ACCEPT TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Proposed By: B. Wright  
Seconded By: P. Mathew  
All in Favor: Yes  
S. Rampacek was in contact with Foley with regards to an over payment, Foley will be refunding the district an over payment amount of \$755.59.

**REQUISITIONS:**

|                                                                                                                          |                                |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Quality Chevy                                                                                                            | New Motor for J1               | \$15,898.59 |
| Gaudioso Construction                                                                                                    | Basement repairs               | \$13,300.00 |
| (Gaudioso was lowest Quote, Mohr & Son Service quoted \$14,860.00 and Central Jersey Construction did not return calls.) |                                |             |
| Barts Professional Painting                                                                                              | Building repairs from accident | \$4,500.00  |
| Campbell                                                                                                                 | J3 Service and pump service    | \$2,925.00  |
| Campbell                                                                                                                 | J4 Service and pump service    | \$2,925.00  |
| Campbell                                                                                                                 | J6 Service and pump service    | \$3,075.00  |
| Lees Emergency Equipment                                                                                                 | J4 repair of cabinet door      | \$8,074.07  |

**MOTION TO ACCEPT REQUISITIONS:**

Proposed By: B. Wright  
Seconded By: S. Georgianna  
All In Favor: Yes

**COORESPONDENCE:**

S. Rampacek:  
DMV is seeking certification of Incorporation.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT:**

Joseph Youssouf:  
No report

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

Jonathon Rampacek:  
Absent

**FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT:**

Christopher Rampacek:  
New Knox box equipment is here, installation of the key boxes and the replacement of the cores will begin shortly. We will be working on setting a 4-digit passcode for each member.  
J4 is at Lee’s getting the compartment repaired.  
New vests are on all trucks.  
Pump and ladder testing is scheduled for August 26, 2024.  
Ladder testing was scheduled for July 10, 2024.  
Hose testing is scheduled for September 5, 2024.  
Provided an update from Chevy engineering, Lifters \$3500, a week to get parts, 2-year unlimited miles warranty, or replace motor for approx. \$16,000, one week to get engine and 3-4 to install, comes with a 3year 100,000-mile warranty.  
Discussion was had with reference to the options for replacing the engine or repairing it. The board chose to replace the engine.  
A motion was made for an emergency expenditure for unanticipated repairs to replace the engine in J1 not to exceed \$18,000.  
Proposed by: B. Wright  
Second by: S. Rampacek  
Roll call vote: S. Georgianna Yes, P. Mathew Yes, S. Rampacek Yes, B. Wright Yes.

Last week Borough Council President Emens went to Washington to ask for congressional assistance for multi-Borough projects to be funded. He asked for assistance for a building expansion and a ladder truck replacement, and they advised him that there are numerous grants that they would forward to him to apply for.

New Jersey American Water grant is available to be applied for and the company is working on it.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

C. Rampacek:

Chief Rampacek asked if the board would create a resolution for the Safer Grant which is becoming available.

The Board adopted a resolution by title authorizing the Chief to pursue and apply for the Safer Grant.

Proposed by: B. Wright

Seconded by: P. Mathew

All in favor: Yes

Can the Board retain purchase documents instead of destroying them after a seven-year period? J. Yousouf referred to Fixed Asset Inventory, mainly referring to large dollar amount purchases.

B. Wright.

Are the repairs in the basement worthy of making a claim with our insurance company, answer was no.

I would like to ask the boards opinion if they would agree to request our attorney to write a letter to General Motors referring to the repairs we had to make to J1, with details about the history of the engine failing and that we had to incur such an expense that we were not prepared to do.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

B. Wright.

I haven't had the opportunity to connect with Gary from GC Automotive repair yet.

**MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Proposed By: B. Wright

Seconded By: S. Georgianna

All in Favor: Yes

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public

**MOTION TO CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC:**

Proposed By: B. Wright

Seconded By: S. Georgianna

All in Favor: Yes

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:** 8:58pm

Proposed By: B. Wright

Seconded By: S. Georgianna

All in Favor: Yes

Brian Wright, Clerk