

OCEAN GROVE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

DECEMBER 9, 2021

OPENING

The meeting called to order at the Olin Street Firehouse. The meeting was held in the Stokes bay to allow for appropriate distancing.

Following the Flag Salute, the clerk announced the meeting was held in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 231, New Jersey Public Laws of 1975, "Open Public Meetings", having been published in The Coaster newspaper.

Roll Call:	Present	Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
	Present	Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
	Present	Commissioner Scott Jarmer (by telephone)
	Present	Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
	Present	Commissioner Matthew Gannon

MINUTES of LAST REGULAR MEETING, November 11, 2021

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the November 11, 2021 meeting following the motion of Comm. Bagdanov and second of Comm Moses-Day.

MINUTES of SPECIAL MEETING, November 30, 2021

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the November 30, 2021 special meeting following the motion of Comm. Bagdanov and second of Comm Gannon.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Clyford Cenat will graduate from the fire academy on January 19, 2021. The ceremony will be at Brookdale Community College at 7:30 pm.
2. The quote for the Quantifit Respirator Fit Testing device was received. \$15,271.53
3. The district received a donation from the Harold Wetterberg Foundation in the amount of \$1,000.00
4. Washington Fire Co 2022 officers
5. David Matteo publicly thanked the Board for their support in moving forward toward replacing the van.

6. Eagle Apparatus request

ACTION ON COMMUNICATIONS

1. The Board acknowledged the communication and encouraged attendance at the graduation event.
2. No action was proposed regarding the Quantifit product..
3. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge the Wetterberg Foundation contribution. A unanimous Board directed the contribution to be used for training and education following a motion by Comm. Bagdanov and second of Comm Moses-Day.
4. The Board acknowledged receipt of the Washington Fire Co. officer roster.
5. The Board authorized each fire company to use an apparatus on January 1, 2022 for attendance at local fire station events.

INVESTITURE

Ethan Mitchell, E.H. Stokes Fire Co., pending criminal background check report

TREASURER'S REPORT

A unanimous Board accepted the report and approved the bill list following a motion by Comm. Bagdanov and second of Comm Moses-Day.

OLD BUSINESS

Eagle Roof - A unanimous Board approved the proposal to repair the roof at Eagle Firehouse following a motion by Comm. Bagdanov and second of Comm Gannon.

Sidewalks and Aprons – action deferred pending further quotes.

Stokes quarters bathroom - A unanimous Board authorized the work to proceed following a motion by Comm. Moses-Day and second of Comm. Bagdanov.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion to authorizing closed session for personnel and legal matter.

Offered by: Comm. Moses-Day Second by: Comm. Gannon

Roll Call: yes Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
 yes Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
 yes Commissioner Scott Jarmer
 yes Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
 yes Commissioner Matthew Gannon

2. Authorize the Transfer of the 2021 Budget Appropriations

Resolution #2021-12-1 to Authorize the Transfer of 2021 Budget Appropriations

Offered by: Comm. Bagdanov Second by: Comm. Moses-Day

Roll Call: yes Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
 yes Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
 yes Commissioner Scott Jarmer
 yes Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
 yes Commissioner Matthew Gannon

3. 2022 Budget and Discussion

Resolution #2021-12-02 to approve the 2022 Fire District Budget

Offered by: Comm. Bagdanov Second by: Comm. Moses-Day

Roll Call: yes Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
 yes Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
 yes Commissioner Scott Jarmer
 yes Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
 yes Commissioner Matthew Gannon

FIRE OFFICIAL AND CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief: no report received or presented

Official: see attached

PUBLIC HEARING

The chairman opened the floor for public comment.

Following ample opportunity to be heard, and no one present seeking to address the Board, the chairman adjourned the Board to closed executive session to address a personnel matter. The Board moved to the commissioners meeting room.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: Attorney Hundley presented a personnel matter that had been referred to him. Attorney Hundley presented the results of his investigation. The matter was discussed, but also considered moot as the individual involved had voluntarily separated from the fire company and the fire department. It was the opinion of the attorney that no further action was required or recommended. It was also observed that the separation was complete, and should the individual involved seek to return, a new application would be required.

Motion to reopen meeting following closed session

Offered by: Comm. Bagdanov

Second by: Comm. Gannon

Roll Call:	yes	Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
	yes	Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
	ab	Commissioner Scott Jarmer
	yes	Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
	yes	Commissioner Matthew Gannon

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, a motion to adjourn was entertained.

Offered by: Comm. Bagdanov

Second by: Comm. Gannon

Unanimously approved.