

OCEAN GROVE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

November 10, 2022

OPENING

The meeting was called to order, followed by the flag salute led by Commissioner Robert McEwan.

In the absence of Clerk David Shotwell, Jr., Commissioner Paul Bagdanov announced that the meeting was held in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 231, New Jersey Public Laws of 1975, "Open Public Meetings Act" having been published in a March 2022 issue of the Coaster.

Roll Call:

Present	Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
Present	Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
Present	Commissioner Scott Jarmer
Present	Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
Absent	Commissioner Matthew Gannon

MINUTES of LAST MEETING

The minutes of the October 13, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved following the motion of Commissioner Jarmer and seconded by Commissioner Moses-Day.

COMMUNICATIONS

Washington Fire Co. letter inquiring about timeline of new apparatus purchase.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner McEwan explained that the Board would need to look into funding sources and gain voter approval, with a timeline likely to be 2024-2025.

INVESTITURE OF NEW MEMBERS

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Officer Debra Latshaw presented the bill list and treasurer's report. Following the motion by Commissioner Moses-Day and second of Commissioner Jarmer, the Board unanimously accepted the report and approved payment of the bills.

OLD BUSINESS

No quotes were presented by Eagle Fire Company for the training prop requested at the October 2022 Board meeting.

Commissioner McEwan was still awaiting a response from the electrician for inspection of the Eagle firehouse.

Fire Official Scott Liddick received two quotes for a cab for the pickup truck.

Commissioner Moses-Day reported that she, Commissioner Matthew Gannon, Chief Ben Benfer and 1st Asst. Chief Josh Hansen met with representatives of the Neptune Fire District #1 to discuss the possibility of a shared duty crew in which members of the Ocean Grove District #2 would assist Neptune in answering overnight calls to both districts. Commissioner Moses-Day handed out copies of Neptune’s current duty crew policy to review. Commissioner McEwan told attorney Hundley to review the policy, and that it would be revisited at the next meeting. No Board action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #2022-11-01

AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF 2022 BUDET APPROPRIATION RESERVES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 permits the transfer of previous year appropriations during the first three months of the fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the Financial Officer has recommended that the following appropriation transfers be authorized;

FROM:

Supplies 35,000.00

TO:

Building Maintenance 25,000.00

Equipment Maintenance 10,000.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Neptune Township Fire District #2 that the 2022 Budget Appropriation Reserves be transferred as stated herein.

Offered by: Commissioner ~~Scarlone~~ by: Commissioner Moses-Day

Roll Call:

- Aye Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
- Aye Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
- Aye Commissioner Scott Jarmer
- Aye Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
- Absent Commissioner Matthew Gannon

RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

Motion to authorizing closed session for personnel and legal matter.

Offered by: Commissioner Jarmer Second by: Commissioner Moses-Day

Roll Call:

Aye	Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
Aye	Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
Aye	Commissioner Scott Jarmer
Aye	Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
Absent	Commissioner Matthew Gannon

FIRE OFFICIAL AND CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Official Scott Liddick distributed a written report.

Fire Chief Ben Benfer said that Neptune's duty crew was worth looking into further, and noted that there have been 176 alarms so far this year.

PUBLIC HEARING

A department member noted that the Fire Chief's vehicle should have binoculars, and encouraged the Board to purchase said item.

Motion to reopen meeting following closed session

Offered by: Commissioner Jarmer Second by: Commissioner Moses-Day

Roll Call:

Aye	Commissioner Robert McEwan, Chairman
Aye	Commissioner Paul Bagdanov
Aye	Commissioner Scott Jarmer
Aye	Commissioner Lori Moses-Day
Absent	Commissioner Matthew Gannon

ADJOURNMENT

The Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:47pm following the motion of Commissioner Jarmer and second of Commissioner Moses-Day.