

# JAMESBURG BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Fire District No. 1

Minutes

May 20, 2021

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**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, 7:07 PM

## FLAG SALUTE

### RE-ORGANIZATION 2021:

Swearing in of new Commissioners:

Stephanie Rampacek

Brian Wright

### ROLL CALL:

Salvatore Georgianna

Pradeep Mathew

Stephanie Rampacek

Dina Walker

Brian Wright

Attorney Youssouf

### RESOLUTIONS:

Meeting Dates: April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 23, October 21, November 18, December 20, January 20, 2022, February 17, 2022, March 17, 2022

Proposed By: B. Wright

Seconded By: P., Mathew

All in favor: Yes

### OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES:

1<sup>st</sup> Constitution Bank

Proposed By: B. Wright

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

### OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS:

Newark Star Ledger, Home News.

Proposed By: B. Wright

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

### APPOINTING GERARD STANKIEWICZ DISTRICT AUDITOR:

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: B. Wright

All in Favor: Yes

**APPOINT THE OLIVER L.E. SODEN AGENCY INSURANCE BROKERS:**

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: B. Wright

All in Favor: Yes

**APPOINT JOSEPH D YOUSOUF, ESQ. BOARD ATTORNEY:**

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: B. Wright

All in Favor: Yes

**MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:**

Proposed By: S. Georgianna

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Stephanie Rampacek, First Constitution Bank

	<b>Checking:</b>	<b>Savings:</b>
<i>Bal. Bt. Fwd:</i>	20,014.95	405,187.82
<i>Deposits:</i>	7,341.79	2,046.72
<i>Vouchers:</i>	(7,345.14)	(7,330.19)
<i>Rec. Bal.</i>	20,011.60	399,904.35
<i>Grand Total Cash On Hand:</i>		419,915.95

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

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: B. Wright

All in Favor: Yes

**REQUISITIONS:**

Stephanie Rampacek:

Sanchez landscaping: French Drain, Replace sidewalk on side of building	\$ 1900.00
New Jersey Fire Equipment Co. Gear Dryer	\$ 9165.00
Fire Flow: Hose, Pump Ground Ladder, Aerial Testing	\$ 4976.20
Clean Air Company, Inc. Vehicle Exhaust System P. M. Maintenance	\$ 1068.00
Clean Air Company, Inc. Vehicle Exhaust Magnetic System	\$ 5985.99
WB Mason: (pending further (research)	\$ 2400.00
Milspray: Corrosion Prevention, State Contract # V00001138	\$ 2382.00
All Hands Fire Equipment: Swift Water Classes	\$ 1950.00
Tactical Public Safety: 3- Pagers	\$ 2066.10
Tactical Public Safety: Dual Head Unity Radio for J-1	\$ 7457.23
SKD Tryons INC: Push Bar and Lights for J-1	\$ 2491.00

**MOTION TO ACCEPT REQUISITIONS:**

Proposed By: S. Georgianna

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Nothing

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Joseph Youssouf:

Fire Protection Agreement expired December 31, 2020 does the board wish to adjust the contract to a 3-year period of time at \$32,500 yearly? The Board agreed that offering a 3-year contract to the Fire Company will be fine, with the annual amount of \$32,500.00 to remain the same.

Attorney Youssouf will prepare a corrected contract for signatures for our June meeting.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Jonathon Rampacek:

Paperwork for the lighting project is in the States hands and waiting for approval.

We will be starting a little bit of alteration work around the office area in the next couple of months.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chris Rampacek:

*(See attached call sheet)*

Covid protocols have been adjusted.

We started hydrotesting the bottles, this will be last time for this test, next time we will need to purchase new bottles. There about 50 at approx. \$1200-\$1500 each.

P. Mathew questioned the Chief about funding for bottle replacement in the next 4-5 years.

President Rampacek mentioned that the line item for bottles began to increase when he was chief in anticipation of the replacement of the bottles.

The board will further discuss the capital section of the budget for replacement of bottles and packs in our June meeting.

We were awarded a grant from NJAWC for the amount of \$1785.00

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Pradeep Mathew:

Suggest to the board that we should look into obtaining a grant writer to attempt to write a grant for the district for the purpose of purchasing packs and bottles. There was conversation with regards to Ex Chief Cooper writing a grant for the department and having it awarded, P. Mathew will reach out to Mr.Cooper and possibly request his assistance. The Board will continue to discuss this subject during our June meeting.

S. Rampacek: Suggested to the officers that they try to look into a tablet or laptop instead of a desk top.

B.Wright: Election results.

**BUDGET:**

Yes: 36 in person, 64 by mail = 100 total

NO: 5 in person, 18 by mail = 23 total

**BUDGET IS APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONERS:**

Stephanie Rampacek: 35 in person, 68 by mail = 103 Total

Brian Wright: 40 in person, 71 by mail = 111 Total

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Further discussed the proposed letter from P. Mathew to NJAWC.

**MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Proposed By: S. Rampacek

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*No Public Comment*

**MOTION TO CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC:**

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: D. Walker

All in Favor: Yes

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:** 8:03 PM

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: S. Rampacek

All in Favor: Yes

Brian Wright, Clerk