

JAMESBURG BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Fire District No. 1

Minutes

October 21, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting was called to order by Attorney Joseph Youssef. 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

ROLL CALL: Salvatore Georgianna
Pradeep Mathew
Stephanie Rampacek
Dina Walker
Brian Wright
Attorney Youssef

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:

Proposed By: P. Mathew

Seconded By: S. Georgianna

All in Favor: 4 Yes, S. Rampacek abstained, absent from our September Meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT

S. Rampacek

	Checking:	Savings:
<i>Bal. Bt. Fwd.:</i>	(27,811.71)	611,916.48
<i>Deposits:</i>	71,079.83	145.48
<i>Vouchers:</i>	(23,262.67)	
<i>Rec. Bal.</i>	20,005.45	540,987.58
<i>Grand Total Cash On Hand:</i>		560,993.03

S. Rampacek, D. Walker: The check for Valic has been returned again, attempting to obtain the proper address then will re-mail it again.

2 checks will need to be processed off of the voucher list this evening:

United Refrigeration \$1182.71

Middlesex County Fire Police Association: \$ 550.00

These two items will show up on next month's check run.

MOTION TO APPROVE 2 CHECKS TO BE WRITTEN THIS EVENING:

Proposed by: P. Mathew

Seconded by: S. Georgianna

All in favor: Yes

MOTION TO ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORT:

Proposed By: S. Georgianna

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

REQUISITIONS:

Main Electric, Office renovations	\$1815.85 est.
FF1: 2 dry suits	
Misc. water gear	\$7123.81 (state contract)
FF1: 8 sets of gloves	\$814.00
FF1: 3 helmets	\$803.55
First Battalion: 2 swivels & 1-5" Y	\$1311.48
Campbell Service: J4	\$2850.00
J6	\$2700.00
J10	\$2550.00
J3	\$2550.00

MOTION TO ACCEPT REQUISITIONS:

Proposed By: S. Georgianna

Seconded By: B. Wright

All in Favor: Yes

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nothing

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Joseph Youssouf:

Attorney Youssouf spoke about information that DCA will need from the Board. It has to do with the compensation that each commissioner will receive for the budget year 2022.

A resolution was created by the Attorney and a cover letter from the Board will be written by the clerk to the Borough Mayor and Council for their approval per DCA's requirement.

Attorney Youssouf noted that the Budget election shall be held in February 2022, he also asked if there are any capital projects this coming budget year.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Jonathon Rampacek:

President Rampacek stated that there is progress with the office renovation project.

President offered some information about future renovations to the firehouse; he received a quote for approximately \$22,000 for a retainer from an architect.

There was extensive discussion between the Board Attorney and the President with regards to approximate costs involved. Attorney Youssouf explained that an estimated cost for an architect could run up to \$145,000 for the entire project.

Mayor Lowande offered to speak to the Borough's Engineer and see if they can offer guidance and direction to the Fire Department.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chris Rampacek:

(See attached call sheet)

Chief presented an ad for Hydrant markers.

Replaced lower hose on J3

Pump and Aerial testing is completed

Valve repair estimate on J10 is \$17,000 from Campbell Supply

Hose testing scheduled for Monday

Tactical is coming out to program the new radio in J1 and also program the new pagers that were purchased.

Insurance company will cover the flood service on the trucks

Insurance company will pay the cost of \$6269.55 to repair J10 from the minor accident it was in. There is a \$1000.00 deductible.

3 Different claims will require \$1000.00 deductible for each.

The company is working with a grant writer for the SCBA

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Walker

A proposal is needed to approve the fixing of J10 and also to include the deductibles for the repairs from the recent storms.

Proposed By: D. Walker

Seconded By: S. Georgianna

All in favor: Yes

The budget for year 2022 was discussed extensively and will continue at our November Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

Proposed By S. Georgianna

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor stated "Great Job with Fire Prevention Day"

MOTION TO CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC:

Proposed By: S. Georgianna

Seconded By: P. Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: 9:40pm

Proposed By: S. Georgianna

Seconded By: P, Mathew

All in Favor: Yes

Brian Wright, Clerk