

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #3, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Commissioner M. Jordan on June 21, 2010.

PRESENT – Commissioners M. Jordan, Baylis, Pasqua and Walter

ABSENT – Commissioners C. Jordan

This meeting was duly advertised in accordance with the open business-meeting act of the State of New Jersey.

VOLUNTEER COMPANY REPORT – Discussion regarding the physicals. Company uncomfortable putting firefighters into full training without full physical. Would request that new members with no firefighting training get the pre-physical. New Fire fighters that come in with Firefighter 1 or higher will get full physical. Motion by Commissioner M. Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Walter. Commissioner Baylis added no gear until physical comes back. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

Three new members. Kyle Alfano and Nich Nowihow. Motion to approve them pending background check and physicals being done. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

Third member is a junior member, Carl Halpin. He lives in Howell but is within the 5 mile range. Motion to approve this member by Commissioner M. Jordan, Seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

SECRETARIES REPORT – No report

TREASURER'S REPORT – Commissioner Baylis reads the summary of the Treasurer's report. Motion to accept the summary as read made by Commissioner M. Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

Motion to approve the transfer of \$150,000 to the General Ledger due to the Township's fund being unavailable until a later date. Motion to approve by Commissioner M. Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT - Attorney discusses the February 6 local finance notice regarding the ruling on a volunteer firefighter sitting on the Board or the Twp Board. Attorney reminded everyone that per the attorney general, only the Chief, Assistant Chief, President and Vice President are prohibited from sitting on the Board of Fire Commissioners. Unions currently challenging this, so far they have lost this fight.

Attorney submitted bill from arbitration for Schoch. Board authorizes that a check be issued for payment. Motion by Commissioner M. Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Walter. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

Discussion regarding the Governors' decision for the 2 ½ percent cap and the date of implementation. Waiting for further information from the Governors' office.

CHIEF BYRNES' REPORT - A report has been given to the Commissioners for review. A copy of report is attached.

Review of Bureau's Chapter 61. Motion by Commissioner M. Jordan to accept the proposed changes to this chapter, seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, and Baylis. **NAY:** None **ABSTAIN:** Commissioner Walter

Motion to approve Chapter 91 changes as submitted by the Bureau by Commissioner M. Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

CHIEF FATOVIC'S REPORT – A report has been given to the Commissioners for review. A copy of report is attached.

Chief Fatovic attended Joint Chief's meeting. They are currently working on storm joint responding.

Discussion regarding close of brewers bridge road for construction. Commissioner Walter will email Chief Fatovic with the information regarding the shutdown of the entrances after West Lake meets with mayor.

Lt. Moore advises of drill on June 30 for Car Fire at the Toms River Academy. Lt. Moore thanks the Board for allowing the drill to take place.

Lt. Moore advised that there was a water main break on Forest Avenue and one hydrant is out of service. As of 4 p.m., no email was received resolving the issue.

5505 was scheduled to go out for repair, but there was a scheduling problem and therefore they had to reschedule, but they will come and pick up the unit for us.

Discussion regarding specs for new turnout gear from Reading Fire Company. Motion by Commissioner M. Jordan to approve these specs, seconded by Commissioner Walter. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

Discussion regarding the e-dispatch. Chief Fatovic advises that this is an excellent system and requests that the Board renew it for another six months. Motion to continue

with the E Dispatch by Commissioner M. Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Walter.
VOTE: AYE: Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

OLD BUSINESS – Discussion regarding additional SWOT Meetings. FF Hilger thinks there should be more meetings and that all aspects of the study should be looked into. Commissioner Jordan advises that sub committees were set up and that they are working on the different sections of the study, but that no additional meetings will be scheduled at this time. Minutes to SWOT meeting will be released as soon as they are prepared.

Commissioner M. Jordan established two committees: Organizational structure will consist of two union members and two members at large and two commissioners: John Walter and Cliff Jordan, President Hussey, Chief Fatovic, Assistant Chief Carson and Chief Byrnes. Shift Schedule will consist of Matt Jordan, Cliff Jordan, Iaff and FMBA president and all chiefs. All are welcome to show up for the meeting.

Discussion regarding the Jimmy. Another quote was received. This vehicle is too costly to repair and unfit to drive. It was suggested that the Jimmy be sold on Gov Deals or used for training. Motion by Commissioner M. Jordan to use the Jimmy for a training session. Seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners M. Jordan, Pasqua, Walter and Baylis. **NAY:** None

NEW BUSINESS – Discussion regarding the testing for Chief and Fire Official. Letter confirming the Board's conversation with the Department of Personnel read into the record.

Discussion regarding gyms keys. Individuals in gym that are not members. Pull the rules and follow them. Need a list of who can come in. Commissioner Walter to investigate this matter.

Discussion regarding the Doors being open at the main station. Both groups are finding doors open when no one is in the building. President Hussey will send a single letter to all members about keeping all doors closed, especially when no one is in the building.

Lt. Moroney submits his Resume for consideration for the replacement of Chief Byrnes, due to his retirement.

Motion to accept a Resolution authorizing a closed-session for executive session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation; lawyer-client privileged material and personnel material. Subject matter to be released when it is no longer privileged, by Commissioner M. Jordan, Seconded by Commissioner John Walter. **ROLE CALL:** AYE; COMMISSIONER WALTER: AYE; COMMISSIONER M. JORDAN: AYE; COMMISSIONER BAYLIS: AYE; COMMISSIONER

Meeting closed to the public for Executive at 8:43 p.m.

Executive session opened at 8:43 p.m. In attendance are Commissioner Walter, Baylis, M. Jordan and Pasqua, Attorney Joseph Youssouff, and Administrative Clerk Brown.

Executive session closed at 8:52 p.m.

Regular meeting reopened at 8:52 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately p.m. by Commissioner Walter, seconded by Commissioner Pasqua. **VOTE: AYE:** Commissioners Walter, Baylis, M. Jordan, and Pasqua. **NAY:** None.

COMMISSIONER B. PASQUA, SECRETARY