

A Regular meeting of the Old Bridge Fire District #4 Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Thursday, October 18, 2012. President Vagts called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was observed. In attendance were Pres. Vagts Comm. J. Peel, A. Peel, Donahue, Attorney Richard Braslow. Absent: Commissioner Watkins. Adequate notice of this meeting of the District No. 4 Board of Fire Commissioners of Old Bridge Township has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting by (1) faxing an announcement to the Municipal Clerk giving the time, date, location and agenda of this meeting, and (2) faxing such announcement to the Home News and Star Ledger.

M/J. Peel S/Donahue to accept the September meeting minutes.
The minutes of the September 20, 2012 meeting was accepted.
Yes-(Vagts, J. Peel, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-1(A. Peel) Absent-1(Watkins)
3-Yes 0-No 1-Abstain 1-Absent

M/A. Peel S/Donahue) to pay bills as presented with the Commissioners abstaining from their respective bills.
Yes-(J. Peel, A. Peel, Vagts, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (Watkins)
4-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 1-Absent

M/Donohue S/A. Peel to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.
Yes-(A. Peel, Vagts, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-1 (J. Peel) Absent-1 (Watkins)
3-Yes 0-No 1-Abstain 1-Absent

Insurance Report – None
Comm. Watkins absent

Equipment Report
Given by Comm. Donahue
Meet with Chief on 2013 budget
John Watkin's boots, have we gotten credit for the boots that didn't fit?
Fire Prevention truck lettering will be done at same time as building extension lettering is being done
Masks – 4 are needed for new members
Coverage by the paid firefighters for Black Friday crowd control at the shopping center and Walmart.

Chief's Report

Chief Guarnera. List attached.
Gas log sheet not being used properly, not every gas fill up is being logged.

Bureau of Fire Prevention Report

F/F F. Giacalone absent, list attached.

Correspondence

Government Connect information
State of New Jersey, re: 2011 Audit report.
Bart & Bart, re: 2011 Audit report.

Old Business

Audit Report presented
J. Watkin's boots, still haven't received credit for boots that did not fit
Fire Fighter physicals: let them get physicals from their own physician. Check into First Health at Woodbridge.
Fuel log must be used for every apparatus fill up, not being done.

New Business

Need an inventory of all pieces of fire equipment. Inventory should be done every year as part of our annual audit. Necessary for insurance purposes and also recommended that pictures be taken as proof of equipment.
Replace the Chief's car (400) – price of vehicle, radios and equipment necessary for vehicle
Need Angus cutters
M/Donahue S/J. Peel Purchase 6 new masks (\$600.00 a piece) as needed.
Yes-(J. Peel, A. Peel, Vagts, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (Watkins)
4-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 1-Absent

Public Portion

None

M/Donahue S/ J. Peel to adopt Resolution 12-17 closing the meeting to the public.
Yes-(Vagts, Donahue, J. Peel, A. Peel) No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (Watkins)
4-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 1-Absent

Discussion:

Chief's cell phone – pay \$100.00 toward upgrade on cell phone
FF contract expires December 31, 2012 – need union rep present
Drug test – no further discussion needed
Lease on fire house for 2013
State mandated website to be implemented for the Board of Fire Commissioners by February 28, 2013.
Chief's car – Need a special capital budget meeting to buy a chief's vehicle in 2013.
Special meeting scheduled for November 15, 2012 at 6 PM to secure voter approval to purchase a new vehicle in 2013

Special budget meeting scheduled for November 15, 2012 at 5 PM

M/Donahue S/J. Peel to come out of closed session.

Yes-(Vagts, Donahue, J. Peel, A. Peel) No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (Watkins)

4-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 1-Absent

M/J. Peel S/A. Peel to adjourn meeting.

Yes- (J. Peel, A. Peel, Vagts, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (Watkins)

4-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 1-Absent

Adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, November 15, 2012 AT 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ann B. Peel
Secretary/Clerk
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