

A Regular meeting of the Old Bridge Fire District #4 Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Thursday, August 22, 2013. President Vagts called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. The pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was observed. In attendance were Pres. Vagts, Comm. A. Peel, J. Peel, Watkins, Donahue, Attorney Richard Braslow  
Absent: None. Seven (7) members of the public were in attendance. 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/Watkins to accept the June 27, 2013 and July 25, 2013 minutes.  
Yes-(Vagts, Donahue, J. Peel, Watkins) No-0 Abstain-1(A. Peel) Absent-0  
4-Yes 0-No 1-Abstain 0-Absent  
Abstain for July minutes Donahue

### **Treasurers Report**

M/A. Peel S/Donahue to accept the Treasurers Report for July 2013.  
Yes-(A. Peel, Vagts, Watkins, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-1(J. Peel) Absent-0  
4-Yes 0-No 1-Abstain 0-Absent  
M/J. Peel S/Watkins to pay bills as presented with the Commissioners abstaining from their respective bills.  
Yes-(A. Peel, Vagts, J. Peel, Watkins, Donahue) No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0  
5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

### **Insurance Report**

Comm. Watkins  
Insurances up-to-date  
Discussed problems with LOSAP for Keith Scheetz, Robert Reed and Jared Jirak missing years. Questions should be brought to the attention of the Commissioner handling insurance. Comm. Watkins needs the paperwork from individual firefighters.

### **Equipment Report**

Commissioner Donahue  
Air certifications  
Air packs hydro, cascade  
Four (4) pagers repaired  
Need testing: 6 extinguishers need to be done, PMs on trucks, all ladders, pack flow test and masks.  
Need bill for 2 masks  
Air pack batteries are done  
Scott Air Pack grant for \$178,000 denied \$6,000 to \$7,000 per pack

### **Chief's Report**

Chief John Dragotta. List attached

### **Bureau of Fire Prevention Report**

Frank Giacalone, Inspector – absent

List attached

Classes – Agreement being prepared in reference to reimbursing the Board of Fire Commissioners if applicants do not complete and get passing grades for 5 classes they were to attend.

### **Correspondence**

NJ State Association of Fire Districts Quarterly Meeting minutes

Verizon

Optimum

Gov Connect information

Quotes for Alpha Card

Quotes for Apple Store for new computer equipment

### **Old Business**

John Watkins boots

Staple bill for splitters for training room, need vouchers for all bills.

Safe Haven – do not pay part of bill

Accountant Mike Bart will present the audit for 2012 and start preparing the budget for 2014

M/Donahue S/ J. Peel Blue Host contract to be continued and not to exceed \$200.00.

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

Computer System – Spread sheet listing all new computer equipment. Security and maintenance discussed. The Administrators will be John Watkins, Sr. Frank Giacalone, Rob Conklin and Dave Kerchner (no one else)

### **New Business**

M/Donahue S/Watkins to add \$300.00 to the \$2900.00 allowance for the Chief for Wildwood Firemens Convention totaling \$3200.00

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

Car 415 – should be used for official business only.

Truck 407 needs new registration

Truck 414 trouble with power pump

Gas Log being used and should be turned over to the treasurer each month.

M/A. Peel S/ Mike to purchase twelve (12) Minitor pagers from Motorola for \$4,960.80.

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

### **Public Portion**

None

M/Donahue S/J. Peel to adopt Resolution 13-19 Closing the Meeting to the Public.

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent - Closed 8:15PM

Sandy related medical bills. Send to Al Latanzio, insurance rep

Fire Protection agreement

Keys to Fire Prevention vehicles are to stay on premises when not in use.

Rules concerning light duty.

Labor contract.

M/Watkins S/J. Peel to come out of closed session at 9:18 PM

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

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

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

Adjourned at 9:20 PM

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, September 19, 2013, AT 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ann B. Peel  
Secretary/Clerk  
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