

A Regular meeting of the Old Bridge Fire District #4 Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Wednesday, October 22, 2014. President Vagts called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was observed.

In attendance were Pres. Vagts Comm. Donahue, Watkins, Guarnera, Peel and Attorney Richard Braslow. Seven (6) 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.

Secretary's Report

September meeting minutes were approved as distributed with a correction on the meeting date

M/Donahue S/Watkins to accept the September 2014 minutes.

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

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

Treasurers Report

Commissioner Peel Gave an update on bills and bank account totals. Appox. 2015 budget will be 574,123 including reserve amount.

M/Donahue S/Watkins to pay the bill as presented with the commissioners abstaining from their respective bills.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Donahue, Guarnera) No-() Abstain-(Peel) Absent-()

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

Insurance Report

Comm. Watkins – insurance-nothing new-a meeting will be set to go over 2015 insurances

Equipment Report

Commissioner Donahue-

FP2 was serviced, FP1 Lights were ordered

414-In shop for steering issue- the truck also had unknown damage and new fire shelters have been put on the truck.

Equipment is being tampered with, packs were found disconnected and saws were drained

Cameras to be set back up

Frank and mike are looking at the trucks and equipment each day.

Chief's Report

Dragotta gave the chiefs report as attached..

Al check gave an update on training

Bureau of Fire Prevention Report

Frank Giacalone, Inspector-See Attached

Correspondence

Read, See attached, Monthly advertisements and letters.

Old Business

Change in order to closed session resolution 14-24

New Business

Employee health benefits to go to the state for medical an prescriptions, Vision and dental will stay with the township insurance, Watkins to look into pricing for the new benefits.

M/Watkins S/Peel to approve resolution to participate in the state benefits contingent on pricing.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Donahue, Peel, Guarnera) No-() Abstain-() Absent-()

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

Union dues are taken out of the employees checks untill we make the payment each quarter

New auditor was recommended by Rich and will give a proposal and pricing. A new accountant is to be looked into also.

414 Damage repairs will needed for damage. the insurance will be contacted for a claim and to have Campbell do an estimate. there is also a quote to have steel bumpers put on for \$8700.00

Public Portion

The light out front needs to be repaired and the siren is not working.

Lease will need to be worked on with fire company, commissioner Peel and Guarnera

Closed Portion

M/Watkins S/Donahue to make a motion to make a resolution to go into closed session prior to any other business being conducted.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Donahue, Guarnera, Peel) No-() Abstain-() Absent-()

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

Discussed Personnel, Physicals and employee fill ins.

M/Watkins S/Peel to conclude closed session.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Donahue, Guarnera, Peel) No-() Abstain-() Absent-()

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

M/Donahue S/Watkins to adjourn meeting.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Donahue, Guarnera, Peel) No-() Abstain-() Absent-()

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

Adjourned at 8:30P.M.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON Monday, November 10 , 2014 AT 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Guarnera
Secretary/Clerk