

A Regular meeting of the Old Bridge Fire District #4 Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Monday, December 8, 2014. President Vagts called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was observed.

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

November 24, 2014 meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

M/Peel S/Watkins to accept the November 24, 2014 minutes.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Peel, Donahue) 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. A full report will be given next meeting

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 as of now. To go over insurance prior to the start of the new year. Latansio to come to the first meeting in January to go over the insurance

Equipment Report

Commissioner Donahue- Not much has changed since the previous meeting.

Grant is submitted, Need to get fuel log books in district 4 vehicles. Some radio equipment to be looked into, Scba's need to be flow tested

Chief's Report

Dragotta gave the chefs report as attached

Bureau of Fire Prevention Report

Frank Giacalone, Inspector- See attached

Correspondence

Read, See attached, Monthly advertisement.

Old Business

Mike Bart spoke on the budget for the upcoming year. The budget need to be introduced by December 22,2014 and the budget hearing will be January 26,2015

Air bags replace for 407 would cost \$3917.00

Bank returned checks due to an error on their part and new checks will be issued if needed.

Brindell truck swap proposal still in the works. So language in the agreement still needs to be worked out. Rich Braslow will contact them to do so and a truck would have to still be agreed on.

Ann to hold the petitions for the upcoming election in February.

New Business

Resolution 14-28 to adopt the temporary budget.

M/Donahue S/Peel to adopt the temporary budget resolution.

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

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

Honda lights are both in the shop

Pelican has battery powered rechargeable lights that would replace the Honda generators for \$663.00

Pos. pressure fan- a quote was obtained to get a battery operated fan for \$3515.00 they will give a demo unit for 30 days.

M/Watkins S/ Donahue to buy one pelican light and to get the 30 day trial for the fan

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

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

95 F350 brush style truck for and appox. cost of 8908 or 9885 with repairs is available to be purchased (tabled)

Auditor quote to be obtained by Ann

Public Portion

Public questioned as to why the district would need another brush truck

Lease meeting is scheduled for 12-9-14 at 3pm with commissioner Peel, Guarnera and the Fire company.

Closed Portion

M/Donahue S/Watkins to make a motion to make a resolution(14-29) to go into closed session.

Yes-(Watkins, Vagts, Donahue, Guarnera, Peel) No-() Abstain-() Absent-()
5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 0-Absent

Discussed personnel, Procedures , Fire Protection Agreement /Reimbursement program, Member Statuses, Safer Grant, and Commissioner Policies.

M/Donahue S/Watkins 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 9:43P.M.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON Monday, December 22 , 2014 AT 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Guarnera
Secretary/Clerk