

A Regular meeting of the Old Bridge Fire District #4 Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Monday, February 23, 2015. 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. Donahue, Watkins, Guarnera, Peel and Eight (4) 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**

February 9, 2015 meeting minutes approved as distributed.

M/Donahue S/Watkins to approve the February 9, 2015 minutes.

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

3-Yes 0-No 2-Abstain 0-Absent

### **Treasurers Report**

Commissioner Peel- No Official Report.

February bills total approx. \$35,000 and the Check was received form the Township.

Ally financial-Silverado Lease is up in August 2015.

Food Bills-some items were found on a standby bill that were unneeded purchases.(to be discussed in closed session)

ESS check returned for a second signature.

VE Ralph bill was paid and a duplicate bill was received.

Pension contribution to be done by Bart.

Apple Finance-Should look into how many payments are remaining.

Rock Salt bill- to be sent back to the company.

Phone Reimbursement-to be paid every 6 months.

M/Donahue S/Watkins to accept the Treasurers Report.

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

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

### **Insurance Report**

Comm. Watkins – insurance-

Risk assessment to be completed and info will be needed from the Fire Company.

Insurance for Ladies Aux.-need to make sure that they are all covered and all members are up to date.

Township Insurance- need to live in town to collect

Losap for 2013 and 2014 need to be paid.

Insurance packages to be dropped off.

### **Equipment Report**

Commissioner Donahue-

Gear- Inspections are just about complete and some boots, hoods, helmets, gloves had to be ordered. Watkins boots are still pending.

9V batteries were purchased.

FP2 to go in for service

FP1 need the keys back from Jim Craig

Keys need to be in the lockbox

Siren issues is with the township

407 repairs have been completed in the amount of \$7540.14

List of Radios needs to be supplied to the township.

### **Chief's Report**

No Report

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

Frank Giacalone, Inspector- No report

### **Correspondence**

Read, See attached, Monthly advertisement and letters were read, See attached.

### **Old Business**

Grant- Letters for the grant have gone out to the legislators and have been received except for one.

Ambulance- M/Donahue S/Peel to make a resolution (1505) to donate the Ambulance to Union Beach pending a request letter from them.

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

5-Yes 0-No -Abstain 0-Absent

Election Results- 80 votes cast final tally was Anthony Guarnera 56, Rose Marie Watkins 16 and Ray Deeken 8. 52 voted yes for the budget and 18 no passing the budget of \$632,696.00. Ann to send registration to town and Trenton.

All phones should be answered and calls returned in a timely manner.

### **New Business**

PFANJ has their annual convention on May 26, 2015 thru May 29,2015 and Mike Nelson has requested to go.

M/Donahue S/ Watkins to send Nelson to the Meeting

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

5-Yes 0-No -Abstain 0-Absent

405 was discussed and the commissioners will not entertain purchasing the vehicle back.

Budget all money is currently accounted for to be spent except approx. \$19,000

New Engine is in production

407 is approaching the 20 year mark and should start planning for it to be replaced.

Keyboards- M/Watkins S/Donahue to purchase 5 sets of wired keyboards and Mouse for the computers

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

5-Yes 0-No -Abstain 0-Absent

Physicals - will be the same price if the members are sent to the office to be completed. There are 11 people currently due for a Physical with a cost of about \$2,000 for exam and drug testing.

E-Dispatches no longer is supporting the phone calls and the app should now be used.

Radios and Copiers will be discussed at the next meeting.

### **Public Portion**

NONE

### **Closed Portion**

M/Donahue S/Watkins to make a motion to make a resolution(15-06) to go into closed session.

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

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

Discussed:

Fill-ins an updated Fill in list should be established.

Personnel-On call Fire inspector, Task list for Fill ins and employees to be established.

Food Bills- Items that are not authorized will no longer be paid.

Losap- 2013 and 2014 to be paid.

Training and Membership was also discussed.

M/Donahue S/Watkins to conclude closed session.

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

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

M/Donahue S/Watkins to adjourn meeting.

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

5-Yes 0-No 0-Abstain 1-Absent

Adjourned at 9:19 P.M.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON Monday, March 9, 2014 AT 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Guarnera  
Secretary/Clerk