

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District # 4 held a Regular Meeting on November 17, 2021. The meeting was held at Blackwood Fire Company, 14 W. Central Avenue, Blackwood, NJ 08012. This meeting has been properly advertised according to the State of New Jersey Sunshine Laws.

ROLL CALL : Commissioner J. Vannoni (here)
Commissioner McCann (here)
Commissioner Jones (here)

Attendees: FF Klingberg, Captain Reiss, FM Urso, FF Ricciardelli, IAFF President Kemery, Chief Cipriano

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Jones asked the Board if they could open a Sam's Club Account for \$48.00, to be able to make purchases from Sam's Club.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to open the Sam's Club account. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner J. Vannoni had the following:

1. Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner Jones to adopt the Joint Administrative OT Policy 21-003. All in favor, motion carries.
2. Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni to adopt the Operational Guidelines for the Station # 2 exhaust system, second by Commissioner McCann. All in favor, motion carries.
3. Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner McCann. All in favor, motion carries.
4. Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner Jones to adopt General Order for Vaccine Status for membership and career staff. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner J. Vannoni stated the shift change for Squad 88 is tabled for now.

There was a discussion on shift change.

5. Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Jones to have a joint meeting with District # 2 on January 4, 2022 at 7:00 PM at Chews Landing. All in favor, motion carries.
6. Commissioner J. Vannoni spoke about the Leadership Class and stated the Board would make approximately \$2200.00 back. The second class will be held in February, at Chews Landing, and they would be paying for the cost of the class.

TREASURER REPORT

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Jones to pay the November Bills in the amount of \$50,346.89. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner McCann reported the 2022 budget is moving along, and he spoke about cutting some budget numbers.

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Jones to hold a Budget Meeting 12/1/2021, the first reading of the budget on 12/8/2021, and the year end meeting, along with the second reading of the budget on 12/29/2021. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to hold all 2022 meeting on the same days as 2021, first Wednesday, third Wednesday at 7:00 PM. All in favor, motion carries.

FIRE OFFICIAL REPORT

FM Urso reported he cannot get into ESP. He thanked the volunteers who helped out during the school programs. The smoke house is lettered, and it should be covered shortly. He reported that all Knox boxes will be checked by FF O'Connor, and the 6 life hazards left will be done by O'Connor. He spoke about the fire on Oakmont Avenue.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Attached.

CAPTAINS REPORT

Attached.

The EMS issues with AMR were discussed.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The President reported the office and the hallway renovation has been completed.

CLERK'S REPORT

None

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to accept all reports as read. All in favor, motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board thanked Chief Cipriano for all his help with the sale of 841.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Board thanked FF O'Connor for all his efforts with the shirts for Squad 88.
2. Board thanked the Clerk for the Budget as well as getting the QuickBooks issue finally resolved.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to accept the application of Tyler Shrader for volunteer firefighter, with the 6-month probationary period. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to accept the application of Gregory Butler, with the 6-month probationary period. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Jones to adopt the resolution for the sale of 841. All in favor, motion carries.

ROLL CALL : Commissioner J. Vannoni (yes)
 Commissioner McCann (yes)
 Commissioner Jones (yes)

Commissioner McCann reported we have not had our exit interview for our audit, due to the State's delay on getting the necessary information to the auditors.

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Jones to adopt Cooper's Employee Assistance Program for active firefighters, at a cost of \$3,000.00. All in favor, motion carries.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

IAFF President Kemery made the following remarks.

1. AMR gave its 120 notice- we will not have ambulances in 4 months.
2. He said IAFF services are available cost/revenue for a municipal service.
3. Legislation will be passed making this an essential service.
4. Personnel matter on pay out- he is available if needed.
5. Thanked the Board for adopting all of the policies.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to go into closed session to discuss Personnel. All in favor, motion carries.

Back in session.

ROLL CALL: Commissioner J. Vannoni (here) Commissioner McCann (here) Commissioner Jones (here)

The subject discussed in closed session will remain closed at this time.

With no further business to discuss.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to adjourn. All in favor, motion carries.

DATED: November 17, 2021

BY: _____
Secretary Michael Jones

