

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District # 4 held a Regular Meeting on March 16, 2022. 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.

COMMISSIONERS: D. Vannoni, M. Cristella, J. Vannoni, J. McCann, M. Jones

ATTENDEES: FM Urso, Captain Reiss, President Stout, Chief Cipriano, Solicitor Carlamere, IAFF Local 3249 President Kemery

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to approve the Workshop Meeting minutes of March 2, 2022. All in favor, motion carries.

CLERK'S REPORT: None

CORROSPONDANCE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Jones to approve the March Bills in the amount of \$39,790.53. All in favor, motion carries.

COMMISSONER REPORTS:

Commissioner McCann said he has developments on LOSAP and he would like to discuss them in closed session.

Commissioner Jones reported the Murry Rescue is now at &12,000.00 on Gov Deals.

Chief Cipriano stated he may be able to sell it prior to the next meeting, once the 30 days expire on Gov Deals. He said Leo said we could get between \$48,000.00 - \$56,000.00 for it, but we would need to see what his commission is.

Commissioner McCann said get the best deal.

Solicitor Carlamere said once the first 30 days are up, it can go up for a second time for 10 days, and then you can sell it at will.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to put it on Gov Deals for an additional 10 days, or put bid out with Leo for 30 days, and then you can sell it at will. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Jones reported the heaters for Station # 2 arrived, and they will be put on the schedule to install.

Commissioner Jones reported FAM Prendergast installed all the available equipment for Squad 84.

Commissioner J. Vannoni complimented FAM Prendergast for all the work he has done with Squad 84.

Commissioner J. Vannoni discussed applications with the Board.

Commissioner J. Vannoni discussed plowing the parking lots, and said he and Commissioner Cristella will work on a plan.

Commissioner J. Vannoni said he did get a hold of Interstate Mobile, and they will be here for the next meeting.

Commissioner J. Vannoni said the COVID funding is being worked on.

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT: Attached

Commissioner Vannoni said he appreciated the reports from Grenlock School.

Fire Official Urso asked if he could assist in replacing electronic smoke detectors. Commissioner J. Vannoni opposed it.

April 1, 2022 in person inspections begin.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Attached.

The Chief added that there was a problem with the quote, and the quoted price of \$53,703.61 did not include the back command box. It is an additional \$6350.00 for the rear box.

Commissioner Jones said the sale of the utility will cover the striping and lettering.

Commissioner McCann said the additional will come out of Maintenance & Repair.

Commissioner J. Vannoni said the ISO Inspection will be next month.

Commissioner J. Vannoni said thank you to the FAM for getting the equipment mounted. The radios will be installed Friday.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT: Attached

Captain Reiss added that March 4, 2020 Platoon "B" received an award from the Hero Scholarship Committee for an incident on June 5, 2021.

Commissioner J. Vannoni read the award, and asked it be presented and read at the Blackwood Fire Company Banquet.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Stott asked the Board if BCR can be used for the flower sale on Easter weekend. He said a tent would be installed in the back yard to store the flowers overnight. Also, the new lease agreement has been approved by Blackwood Fire Company. He asked the Board for a dollar amount the Board is going to provide for the renovation of the small bay. He would like to know the status of the auxiliary applications.

FIRE APPARATUS REPORT: Attached

There was a discussion concerning the treadmill.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion on sign in sheet for meetings.

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Cristella to use a sign in – sign out sheet for meetings. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner J. Vannoni said he would create a policy.

There was a lengthy discussion on who is and who is not, or should not be covered by the Workmen's Comp Policy. Are the cadets covered, considering they are doing suppression duties. Commissioner J. Vannoni is going to speak to Kirk LeBlanc and get some answers on those questions.

FF Kemery asked if you can maintain your Life Service with out being an active firefighter?

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner McCann to table this discussion until they get information from the insurance carrier. All in favor, motion carries.

There was a long discussion on the Shared Service Agreement.

Motion by Commissioner D. Vannoni, second by Commissioner McCann to approve Joint Administrative Policy # J.A.P. 19-003 and J.A.P. 19-003 A. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner J. Vannoni said he is still working on the joint meeting with District # 2.

He still has heard no response from them.

Motion to pass the bank resolutions # 2022-27, 2022-28, 2022-29, to add Commissioner Cristella to all (3) accounts. All in favor. Motion carries

ROLL CALL : D. Vannoni (yes) J. Vannoni (yes) J. McCann (yes) M. Jones (yes) M. Cristella (yes)

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner to pass the resolution for engagement for Bowman & Company to conduct the 2021 audit.

ROLL CALL : D. Vannoni (yes) J. Vannoni (yes) McCann (yes) M. Jones (yes) M. Cristella (yes)

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Cristella to approve the new 2022 Commissioner Assignments. All in favor. Motion carries.

GOOD & WELFARE:

Commissioner J. Vannoni reported on Timothy Kaighn, who had surgery is now recovering.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None

Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner Cristella to pass a resolution to go into Closed Session to discuss Personnel. All in favor, motion carries.

ROLL CALL : D. Vannoni (yes) J. Vannoni (yes) J. McCann (yes) M. Jones (yes) M. Cristella (yes)

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Jones to approve \$1703.70 2021 LOSAP Payment for each eligible member. All in Favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Cristella to amend the bill list to include a payment of \$45,999.00 to VALIC for the 2021 LOSAP payment, which will be an account payable. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner McCann, that career firefighters will not be eligible for LOSAP, due to it's a violation of the Fair Labor Standard Act. All in favor, motion carries.

With no further business to discuss.

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

DATED: March 16, 2022

BY: _____
Michael Jones, Secretary