The Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District # 4 held a Regular Meeting on March 17, 2021. The meeting was held virtually due to Covid 19 restrictions. This meeting has been properly advertised according to the State of New Jersey Sunshine Laws.

### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioner McCann (here) Commissioner Grady (here) Commissioner Jones (here)

Attendees: FF Klingberg, FAM Prendergast, FF Woods, FF O'Connor, Captain Reiss, Chief Cipriano, FF Kemery, FF Stott, FF Keppen, FF Walsh, FM Urso

# **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner McCann had noting to report at this time.

Commissioner Grady said he is working on a joint apparatus policy.

Commissioner Jones stated a contract for lawn maintenance was awarded to McD's Landscaping at a cost of \$2975.00 for the season.

## CORROSPONDENCE

None

# **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk asked that the cut off date for invoices will be the Monday prior to the meeting. Anything received after that will be paid the following month.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Grady to [ay the March Bills in the amount of \$87,215.26.

# **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Cipriano said he will speak to Commissioner Grady over the weekend.

There is a new Haz Mat procedure, as there was a meeting on Haz Mat last month. The policy is still being worked out with Chews.

Commissioner Vannoni came into the meeting.

There was a discussion on Haz Mat, and the question was raised if Blackwood Fire Company has the adequate personnel, physicals for members running Haz Mat calls. Chief Cipriano said he would look into it.

Discussion on having the new hose tested one it arrives.

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by McCann to have a test done on the new hose.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

None.

## **CAPTIAIN'S REPORT**

Captain Reiss stated he submitted the application for a Safer Grant in the amount of \$360,000.00. The Grant is for 3 years, 0% matching funds. He said the Diesel Fuel Exhaust System should be installed in late April. He said Chews is transferring Knight to platoon C due to an injury to the Captain of Platoon C.

There was a discussion concerning the fire at Howard Johnsons, and the topic of cover companies. It was brought to the Boards attention, that the cover company was given access to the upstairs at Station # 2, where personnel items of the career firefighters are kept. It was suggested that in the case of cover companies in the future, Station # 1 will be used for cover companies.

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner McCann to make Station # 1 the cover station. All in favor. Commissioner Vannoni abstained. Motion carries.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner McCann stated Robert Hill will be the EEO Officer. There was a discussion on what is considered the protected class.

Discussion on sharing the meeting minutes from the joint meeting with District #1, # 2, and # 3.

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Grady to share the joint meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Grady stated they would not meet together going forward. They will meet separately with District # 1 and District # 3.

Commissioner Vannoni stated he thought by leaving the Chiefs out, the Boards are getting involved operationally.

Commissioner McCann said it is about business dealings.

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner Vannoni to conditionally approve Nathan De Lorenzo, prior to his physical being done. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner Vannoni to pass a Resolution for the Award of Contract to Motorola for the purchase of APX6500 Dual Head mobile radio. All in favor, motion carries

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioner McCann (yes) Commissioner Grady (yes) Commissioner Jones (yes) Commissioner Vannoni (yes)

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner Vannoni to purchase a CF33 Toughbook Computer, docking station and base plate adapter under State of New Jersey Contract. All in favor, motion carries.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioner McCann (yes)	Commissioner Grady (yes)
Commissioner Jones (yes)	Commissioner Vannoni (yes)

#### **GOOD & WELFARE**

Commissioner Vannoni asked that card be sent to Solicitor Carlamere.

Commissioner McCann asked if the graphics on the new Engine 88, have to have the owner's name.

Commissioner Vannoni replied that does not apply to fire engines.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

FF Stott stated that the County Fire Coordinator could overrule the ruling on the cover Station. He went on to ask what is the shared service with District # 1 and District # 3. Commissioner Vannoni replied nothing yet, just talks.

FF Stott asked why there are not any talks with District # 6 who has career staff. Commissioner Vannoni replied they have not wanted to enter into talks. Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner McCann to go into closed session to discuss personnel.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioner McCann (yes) Commissioner Grady (yes) Commissioner Jones (yes) Commissioner Vannoni (yes)

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

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner McCann to hold a Special Meeting April 7, 2021, prior to the Workshop. All in favor, motion carries.

With no further business to discuss.

Motion by Commissioner Vannoni, second by Commissioner Grady to adjourn. All in favor, Motion carries.

DATED: March 17, 2021

BY:

Michael Jones, Secretary