

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District # 4 held a Regular Meeting on September 21, 2022, at 7:00 PM. 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, M. Jones, J. Vannoni, J. McCann

Attendees: Solicitor Carlamere, Captain Reiss, IAFF Local President Kemery, FF Walsh

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Cristella to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of 8/17/2022. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Joes, second by Commissioner Cristella to approve the Workshop Meeting minutes of 9/7/2022. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Jones reported at the Building Committee Meeting it was stated they were taking the old ceiling down, and putting in a new drop ceiling with no insulation.

Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner Cristella, to make Blackwood Fire Company insulate the ceiling of the new meeting room. All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Jones spoke about Squad 84, and its trip to Wildwood.

Commissioner Cristella stated the mold issue at Station # 2 has been rectified, and the Career Captains were notified.

Commissioner McCann joined the meeting.

Commissioner D. Vannoni stated he gave Fire Official Urso permission to spend \$100.00 on the Fire Safety Trailer. He also added, he gave FF O'Connor permission wo work the Touch a Truck event, as well as the Pumpkin Festival.

Commissioner J. Vannoni expressed his condolences to Captain Reiss, and FF Brogan for the loss of their family members.

He thanked Fire Official Urso, and Administrative Clerk Fini for their work on the Covid Grant. The information still needs to be uploaded into the grant portal.

He pointed out there were 8 Blackwood Fire Company personnel who responded to the cover assignment for Glendora Fire Company.

Reports:

Clerks Report: Attached

Fire Official Report: Attached

Captains Report: Attached

Captain Reiss noted Ricciardelli's driver training is still on going.

FAM Report: None

Chiefs Report: None

Presidents Report: None

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Cristella to pay the September in the amount of \$ 39,078.59. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner McCann, second by Commissioner Cristella to set the following budget meeting dates: 9/28, 10/5 after workshop, 10/12, 10/26 and Saturday 10/29 if needed, and all dates to be advertised. All in favor, motion carries.

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

Old Business:

The Board discussed the Apparatus Camera Policy, as well as the Time Off Policy. Commissioner J. Vannoni stated the policies should be ready to pass at the next Regular Meeting.

New Business:

The Board discussed at length, the proposed increase by Fire District # 3 of \$1800.00 for the year 2023. The increase will be divided by the 2 Districts, and will amount to an increase of \$900.00 per year per district.

Motion by Commissioner J. Vannoni, second by Commissioner Jones, to accept the Fire District # 3 increase of \$ 1800.00 per year/ \$900.00 per District. All in favor, motion carries.

Roll Call: J. Vannoni-yes, M Cristella-yes, J. Vannoni -yes, M. Jones-yes, J. McCann-yes

Commissioner Jones stated Chairman Genzel is getting in touch with Fire District # 1 to set up a meeting with them, which Chairman Genzel and Commissioner Jones will attend.

Commissioner D. Vannoni said that he wants to add air to the Fire Safety Trailer next year.

Good & Welfare:

Captain Reiss stated Vorhees is donating a stair climber to use, and he needs a donation and hold and harmless letter for them. He also added that the Board is able to purchase a commercial treadmill from Giant Fitness, and they will throw in an upright bike, and an elliptical also. Again, he will need a hold a harmless letter / donation letter.

Commissioner D. Vannoni stated that was a great price.

Comments from the Floor:

IAFF Local 3249 President Kemery spoke about the house fire in Fire District # 1 today, and he discussed the fire with the Board. Squad 88 was first arrival. He also suggested a dispute clause be inserted into the Shared Service Agreement with District # 3, like the one that is currently in the Shared Service Agreement with District # 2.

Captain Reiss thanked the Board for their concern during his bereavement. He stated he really needed the time off, and appreciated the Boards understanding.

Commissioner D. Vannoni wanted the Board to know, that as of 11/1/2022, Fire Official Giambri will no longer be the Fire Official for Fire District # 2.

With no further business to discuss.

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

DATED: September 21, 2022

BY: _____
Michael Jones, Secretary