

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3  
TOWNSHIP OF LOWER**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fire District No. 3 Township of Lower was held on December 23, 2014 at the Erma Fire House, County Airport, Erma, New Jersey, with the work session commencing at 7:30pm. The meeting was opened with a flag salute. Reading of the open Public Meeting Act, all exits were acknowledged; roll was called; all Commissioners were present as well Chief Muller and Solicitor Tourison. Two members from the fire department were present, Kelly Muller and Jeremy Patterson.

**MINUTES**

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved on motion of Commissioner Van Mourik and seconded by Commissioner G. Douoglass.

**TREASURER'S/BILLS PRESENTED REPORT**

The Treasurer's report was approved on motion of Commissioner Van Mourik and seconded by Commissioner Robertson. Bills, as presented, were approved of motion of Commissioner Van Mourik seconded by Commissioner Robertson.

**CORRESPONDENCE/PLAN REVIEW**

Block 710.01, lots 1-12.02, block 710.02, lots 1.01-1.03 Achristavest pier 6600, LLC 9601 Atlantic ave, Diamond Beach was found acceptable.

Received copy of letter sent to Erma Fire Company of his resignation from the Fire Department.

Received copy of letter from Fire Official Perry stated his plans to retire January 31, 2015.

**BUREAU NEWS**

Commissioner Lepor distributed and discussed past meeting notes and financials including the 2015 budget from the Fire Bureau. He stated that a resolution was passed to Appoint Donna Blackley as the Fire Official effective February 1, 2015 and that her salary will be 1/12 of her current position and \$63,000 yearly salary for the remaining 11 months of 2015. Commissioner S. Douglass questioned that we only agreed to \$63,000 a year and stated he has never seen a salary calculated as the Fire Bureau agreed upon. After a lengthy discussion Commissioner Lepor stated that the Fire Bureau already approved the salary and we are just wasting time discussing any further. Commissioner Lepor stated that the interviews for potential part time inspectors are ongoing.



## OLD BUSINESS

1. Building repairs- Commissioner G. Douglass stated that a Referendum may be needed on the Ballot in February to spend monies that have been saved in our restricted funds for capital outlays.
2. Chief's car- currently at auto shop.
3. Fire Truck Specs- still compiling info for specs.
4. Office Furniture- Fully installed, waiting for electrician to put outlets in before returning all paperwork and etc. to offices.
5. Diamond Beach fire protection- nothing to report this month.
6. Budget 2015- Budget will be discussed at a special on Jan 6, 2015 at 4pm (as advertised) and at this date changes may be made or it may stay the same and can be approved.
7. Exhaust systems in engine bays-in receipt of license and insurance numbers and we waiting for Air Purifiers to perform work that they have been contracted to do.
8. Fire inspection items- 2of 3 violations have been corrected, Fire Bureau has granted an extension to fix remaining items since time was needed to contract a dependable contractor and for them to order parts needed.
9. Election 2015- Commissioner s. Douglass was instructed to advertise a special meeting for budget hearing January 6, 2015 at 4pm.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. Meeting dates for January through April- the Board decided to have meetings on the third Tuesday instead of the fourth Tuesday to accommodate all Commissioners. Commissioner S. Douglass was instructed to advertise these changes.
2. Garage door opener- The Board approved on motion of Commissioner Van Mourik and Seconded by Commissioner Robertson for Elmer Door to replace a door opener on one of the doors.

Closed Session

n/a

Comments of Chief

n/a

Comments by the Public

n/a

n a motion by Commissioner Van Mourik and was seconded by Commissioner Lepor the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Meeting notes were prepared and submitted by Commissioner S. Douglass.

