

**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 August 26, 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 as Solicitor Tourison and Chief Muller. There was many in attendance for the Diamond Beach Fire protection concerns, Ray and Connie Norteman, Fred Theale, Glenn Douglass, Councilman Eric Simmonson and Township Manager Mike Voll. Steve W. (office furniture).

MINUTES

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved on motion of Commissioner G. Douglass and seconded by Commissioner Robertson.

TREASURER'S/BILLS PRESENTED REPORT

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

CORRESPONDENCE/PLAN REVIE

1. Received claim statement for Robert Post

BUREAU NEWS

Commissioner Lepor stated that the posting for Fire Inspector had closed and only one person was on list, Commissioner Lepor will discuss additional information at next month's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Atlantic care contract- Extended the lease for 2 years, second year will be an increase of \$25 per month.
2. Building repairs- nothing to discuss.
3. Audit- Audit was presented by Commissioner G. Douglass with only one recommendation from auditor, inventory tagging of all assets.
4. Chief's car- ready to be repaired.
5. Fire Truck Specs- Still compiling will update at next meeting.
6. Junior Firefighter program- nothing to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Diamond Beach Fire Protection Concerns- Ray Nortaman and Connie Nortamen spoke of concerns of fire safety for the residents residing in the Diamond beach area of the district. They also spoke of their insurance premiums doubling as a result of the ISO rating increased to a 10 rating. Commissioner Lepor discussed that fire safety concerns for that area has been an issue for many of years and showed folders of the documents compiled through the years. He stated that the District has tried in past to have Wildwood Crest as the first responders but no agreement was ever meet for one reason or another. He also stated that what might be considered the quick fix and build a fire substation in that area is not the answer since finding personnel in that area to man the building is almost impossible. Councilman Simmonson stated that Commissioner G. Douglass, Commissioner Lepor, Mike Voll and he meet with Wildwood Crest officials and they are receptive of working out a plan.

2. Engine #6253-Paint warranty will be pro-rated to 75% at \$29,500 with a cost to the district \$7575 plus additional cost for transporting.

3. Office furniture- Steve W. quoted the pricing to do the office furniture and stated that it is New Jersey State Contract. (\$9,364.74, \$2,156.88 and \$15,054.60)

Closed Session

Entered closed session at 8:35 to discuss Losap withdrawl.

Exited closed session at 8:50.

Comments of Chief

No Comments

On a motion by Commissioner Van Mourik and was seconded by Commissioner Robertson the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

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