

EASTAMPTON BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES: April 22, 2021 Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order by David Osworth, Chairman. Chairman Osworth read the Open Public Meeting Statement and acknowledged the fire exits in the building. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, place and agenda to the extent known thereof posted as follows:

Burlington County Times (Published)
Courier Post (Informational Purposes)
Eastampton Fire Rescue Department
Municipal Building

Roll call: Present: Com. Paolini, Com. White, Com. O'Reilly and Ch. Osworth. Absent: Com. Luisi.

Also in attendance Kurt M. Brock Board Administrator, Chief Polios, Fire Official Meyers, Councilman Springer and Broker McCurdy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Com. White, seconded by Com. O'Reilly to approve the regular minutes from the March 25, 2021 meeting. All voting aye.

CORRESPONDENCE – Email from McCurdy regarding 2020 WC audit

Email from Local Government approving adopted budget
Email from Solicitor Braslow regarding recreational marijuana
Letter and check from Travelers regarding refund for WC audit.

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT: Normal inspections going well. Going to increase the number of inspections for Yunus. State will be replacing current system. Received a formal complaint about open burning. Waiting for Knox box for CVS and the old Gsell building. There is a possible warehouse to be built for medical marijuana. Councilman Springer noted the warehouse will be addressed by the Township next month.

DEPARTMENT CHIEF REPORT: Emailed to Board. Two pony sections failed during the hose testing.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Bill list, in the amount of \$ 26,284.17 was presented to the Board. Motion by Com. White, seconded by Com. Paolini to approve payment of bills. All voting aye.

FIRE COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel: Com. White and Com. O'Reilly

Budget and Finance: Ch. Osworth and Com. O'Reilly Ch. Osworth reported that he spoke with Solicitor Braslow regarding the procedure for the replacement of a command vehicle. Asked Administrator Brock to follow up with Mr. Braslow.

Insurance: Ch. Osworth and Com. White

Policy and Procedures: Com. Paolini, Com White and Chief Polios

Future Planning: Com. O'Reilly, Com Paolini and Chief Polios A written report was submitted to the Board. Steve Packer advised the Board that the roof was replaced and the Company is looking into replacing the doors.

OLD BUSINESS: Accounting records - Administrator Brock stated he is waiting to hear back from Edmunds. Will resubmit another information request.

NEW BUSINESS: Recreational marijuana policy A general discussion was held. Com. Paolini stated that based on the letter from Solicitor Braslow a policy needs to be established with respect to impairment while on duty.

Open to the Public: Councilman Springer advised the Board that PILOT payment was approved by Council and the Board will be receiving \$4,955.52.

Comments from the Commissioners: Com. White and O'Reilly noted to keep up the good work.

Adjournment: Motion by Com. White, seconded by Com. Paolini to adjourn meeting at 8:16. All voting aye.