



# BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, TOWNSHIP OF HADDON

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

September 22, 2022

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, Township of Haddon, held their regular monthly meeting on the above date, in the meeting room of the Westmont Fire Company No. 1, 112 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ. Chairman Henry E. Voigtsberger, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Chairman Voigtsberger called for a salute to the Flag of the United States.

Secretary Joseph P. Piscopio read the confirmation of the Sunshine Law, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, which requires that adequate notice of this meeting be provided. This has been done through Public Notice in the Retrospect newspaper, on the Board of Fire Commissioners website and by posting on a bulletin board in the Haddon Township Municipal building.

Commissioners answering roll call were Chairman Henry E. Voigtsberger, Jr., William G. Tessing III, William G. Tessing IV and Joseph P. Piscopio.

Guests for the evening: Chief Dan Devitt, AC John Young, FF/EMT Nate Maronski, FF/EMT Kyler Graeber, Captain Frank Jackson 5<sup>th</sup>, FF/EMT Dave Wallace.

The minutes for the August 18, 2022, meeting were presented for approval. A motion by Chairman Voigtsberger, seconded by Commissioner Tessing III, was passed to accept the minutes as presented.

## **Committee Reports**

**Pagers:** Nothing to report as per Chief Devitt.

**Radios:** Nothing to report as per Chief Devitt.

**Apparatus:** Assistant Chief Young reported Engine 15 has been returned from Collingswood Fire Department. It will be placed back in service once required repairs have been completed. Chairman Voigtsberger inquired if there were any issues with it since it was in Collingswood to which Assistant Chief Young reported that were none.

**Fire School:** Nothing to report as per Chief Devitt.

**Turnout Gear:** Chief Devitt reported that he would like to sit down with Chairman Voigtsberger to see what is available in the current budget to possibly purchase and additional five (5) sets.

**Equipment:** Nothing to report as per Chief Devitt.

**Insurance:** Captain Jackson 5<sup>th</sup> reported that there was a meeting with the Aflac representative, and everything is set for the coming year. He also reported that there is an ongoing process to complete setting up with the Joint Insurance Fund (JIF.)

**Liaison to Township:** Chief Devitt reported the following:

- There was a meeting on Wednesday, September 21 regarding the upcoming Music Festival on Sunday October 16. Since Haddon Avenue will be shut down beginning at 6:00am Chief Devitt requested additional manpower from 6:00am until midnight to allow for better response times.

**Communications:** Commissioner Piscopio reported the following:

- FF/EMT Maronski requested the following three (3) days off to complete his EMT refresher (Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup>.) He also requested one (1) personal day off on Monday November 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Two (2) letters were received from Westmont Fire Company Secretary Jim Heckers informing the Board that two (2) new members were accepted at their September 2022 monthly meeting. Michael Aquila and Stephen Colis both passed their required background checks and have been cleared physically.

**Benefit of Fire District:**

- Commissioner Piscopio informed the Board that he was working on the upcoming contracts for the full-time staff.
- Chairman Voigtsberger thanked Chief Devitt, Assistant Chief Young, FF/EMT Maronski, FF/EMT Tessing and FF/EMT Graeber for their participation and assistance with the Summer Festival.

**Deferred Business:**

- Chairman Voigtsberger reported that the Board met with two (2) interested parties for the vacant Commissioner position, Robert Krupinski and David Wallace.

**New Business:**

- Resolution 22: Appointment of David Wallace to fill the unexpired term of Franklin P. Jackson 5<sup>th</sup> as Fire Commissioner, effective at the passing of the resolution, which expires on Thursday February 23, 2023. The resolution passed following a unanimous roll call vote.
- A motion by Commissioner Piscopio seconded by Chairman Voigtsberger was passed to approve the applications for membership for Michael Aquila and Stephen Colis.

- A motion by Commissioner Tessing IV seconded by Chairman Voigtsberger was passed to approve the additional manpower for the upcoming Music Festival.

**Treasurers Report:** Commissioner Tessing III reported the following as of August 31, 2022:

- Money Market Account: \$411,638.33
- Checking (Payroll) Account: \$157,570.49
- Checking (Operating) Account: \$105,097.84

A motion by Chairman Voigtsberger, seconded by Commissioner Piscopio was passed to accept the report as presented.

**Bills:** A motion was made by Chairman Voigtsberger, seconded by Commissioner Tessing III was passed to pay the bills at the end of the month as they were received.

Chairman Voigtsberger announced that the next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

Being there no further business, a motion by Chairman Voigtsberger, seconded by Commissioner Piscopio was passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM.

Attested,

Joseph P. Piscopio, Secretary