

**Board of Fire Commissioners
East Brunswick Fire District No. 1
Minutes of the Commissioners Special Meeting
October 22nd, 2013**

Commissioner Bruce R. Smith, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the meeting room of the Board of Fire Commissioners at 5 Pine Street East Brunswick, NJ 08816.

Commissioner Mosher read the notice by R.S. 10-47, The Open Public Meeting Act, into the minutes. Notice of time, date, location and agenda of this meeting to the extent then known was duly published at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting by posting in the official newspaper of the Board and by posting on the official bulletin board of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Roll call:

Commissioner Hoover:	Present
Commissioner McDonald:	Present
Commissioner Mosher:	Present
Commissioner Smith:	Present
Commissioner Whalen:	Absent

Chief Twomey stated that the new radio system upgrade is not too far behind schedule, and we will be ready when the town does the switchover. He gave them a list of the vehicles that have been done and the ones that need to be done. The only thing that we cannot do is the programming because the town has contracted with Pinnacle and they are the only ones that are permitted to do this. None of the Bureau vehicles or walkies have been done. Our walkies and spares need to be done and we bought two new antennas for the tower and the town will do the wiring. Commissioner Smith informed the Board that a purchase order was done for the programming by Pinnacle.

Chief Twomey put a note to the Board of Fire Commissioners that 703 and 711 need to have a new console control box they cost \$331.20 each and they can be purchased by Troy which is also Major Police. We need to purchase upgrades for the Bureau of Fire Safety mobile radios and that will include the base station {740} that cost will be \$600.00. 711 and 703 need to have a complete rip out and reinstall of all the wiring that will cost \$3000.00 for each vehicle. The cost on the walkie parts for the Bureau of Fire Safety from Motorola is \$2338.16 and the cost for all the other walkie talkies and the upgrades for the flashing is \$8096.40.

Commissioner Mosher made the motion to approve the expenditure of \$17,696.96 for all of the radio equipment mentioned above and Commissioner Hoover seconded the motion.

Roll call: Commissioner Hoover.....aye/Commissioner McDonald....aye/Commissioner Mosher....aye/Commissioner Smith.....aye/Commissioner Whalen....absent. The motion was approved and accepted.

Commissioner Smith stated that Fern Road needed to have all of the asphalt milled and re-done on the base coat. The cost was \$39,000.00 and right now the fire company is willing to pay that fee. It's done and it looks great. There was some discussions on the floor as to whether or not the Board of Fire

Commissioners would take over the bill from the Fire Company or share a portion of the cost with them. Commissioner McDonald stated that he would like to hold off until the regular meeting so that we can get a legal opinion from the attorney as to whether or not we can do that, the cost is over the bid threshold.

Commissioner Smith also stated that we need to come up with a definitive answer on whether or not the district is going to provide maintenance and fuel costs for vehicles 716 and 717. We paid for the winch and bumper on 717 and we already pay for the insurance, but if the fire company owns these vehicles we need to know what we are going to be responsible for. Jack Kramer stated that if the District is going to continue to have a water rescue team than we need to have a vehicle that will support that team with the ability of getting the equipment mobile and to the place it needs to be. So if that is the case than you need to maintain 717. Again there was discussion on the floor about these vehicles and the Board of Fire commissioners would like time to further discuss this at a later date.

Commissioner Hoover stated that the Board needs to speak with the Chief about the vehicle for the Assistant Chief, we may or may not want to put that much more money into that truck.

Commissioner Hoover made the motion to continue to provide fuel for those two vehicles until a meeting can be arranged and formal form of action taken. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.

Roll call: Commissioner Hoover....aye/Commissioner McDonald.....aye/Commissioner Mosher....aye/Commissioner Smith...aye/Commissioner Whalen....absent. The motion was approved and accepted.

Being no further business was brought before the Board, Commissioner Smith made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Hoover seconded the motion.

Roll call: Commissioner Hoover.....aye/Commissioner McDonald....aye/Commissioner Mosher....aye/Commissioner Smith.....aye/Commissioner Whalen....absent. The motion was approved and accepted and the meeting of October 22, 2013 was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer
Frederick J. Hoover, Jr.

FJH/sk

File: Minutes Meeting October 22, 2013

ROLL CALL VOTE TALLY SHEET
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ 08816

MEETING DATE: 10-22-13
CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7PM
BY: CHAIRMAN SMITH

ATTENDANCE:

HOOVER Present McDonald Present Mosher Present SMITH Present WHALEN ABS

QUESTION Motion to Approve Expense of Funds for Radio Conversion & Portability of Mobiles - Complete our portion since contract is 17,696.96.

HOOVER Y McDonald Y Mosher Y SMITH Y WHALEN Abstn.

QUESTION Motion to Approve to Supply Fuel to Citizens Car - since MB Car BC Agreement before BOE as of 10/1/13

HOOVER Y McDonald Y Mosher Y SMITH Y WHALEN Abstn.

QUESTION Motion to Approve 755

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