

Board of Fire Commissioners  
District #2  
Regular Meeting  
November 15, 2022 7:24 pm

The meeting started with a salute to the flag followed by a moment of silence for all of those that have been lost. Commissioner Henry called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of District # 2 with a salute to the flag order.

***Roll Call: Commissioner Henry***

Commissioner Jim Mosier present  
Commissioner Brian Agnew absent  
Commissioner Peter Combates present  
Commissioner Darryl Henry present  
Commissioner My Do present

Minutes: Commissioner Henry

Commissioner Henry made a motion to suspend the readings of the previous two meeting as a result of the Secretary not being present. Seconded by Commissioner Mosier. Affirmed.

**Correspondence: Commissioner Henry**

None

**Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Combates**

District 2 beginning balance: \$3,178,075.27  
Credits: 3,587.08  
Checks paid: 78,803.11  
Electronic payments: 4,639.13  
Deposits:  
Ending balance: \$3,098,220.11

Joint Board beginning balance: \$33,947.15  
Interest paid: 38.60  
Checks/Debits \$1,411.89  
Ending balance: \$32,573.86

Also presented tonight were bills for Joes Meat Market for a drill on 10/23 for \$129.49. And Dunkin Donuts for \$5.30. Also presented was a bill from American Trade for accountability plates for \$364.57. Vender will need to sign PO.

Commissioner Do made a motion to approve the treasurer report as read and pay the bills. Seconded by Commissioner Mosier. Affirmed.

### **Old Business**

#### **Request for Equipment Responses:** Commissioner Henry

The gas meter calibration for Holmes Marshall is here. The hand light has been purchased, just has to be inventoried. Twelve bottles have been ordered but don't know when they will come in. Steve at New Jersey Fire Equipment said everything is back ordered. We are in the process of ordering helmets.

Commissioner Mosier asked everyone to be patient with regards to the ordering. There are only a few things under State contract and in working with the new accountant they are asking us to get 3 quotes on items and services over \$2,600 if it is not under State contract. This is part of the reason why orders are taking longer to get.

#### **Water Rescue Update:** Commissioner Henry

Commissioner Agnew had the prop guard installed on the boat motor. Commissioner Agnew also registered the boat and trailer.

#### **I-Pad Installation** - Commissioner Henry

The I-pads will be installed on November 30<sup>th</sup> by M&W. Commissioner Agnew will schedule times with the Chiefs.

#### **Regulatory Compliance** – Commissioner Mosier

The classes were assigned around July or August and the drop dead date will be November 31<sup>st</sup>.

While numerous calls were received, the reality is everyone had over 8 weeks to complete this required annual process. The Commissioners will discuss possible ramifications for non-compliance.

For 2023, Level A firefighters will have to go to a live burn. This can be scheduled now up into next October. You need level 2 instructors and that will suffice for this upcoming LOSAP year. House fires will no longer count so everyone must do a live burn and be signed off on by an instructor.

The Commissioners will leave it to the Chief's to set up these live fire drills.

#### **New Business** - *Commissioner Combates*

**PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**RESOLUTION 2022-13**

**Establishing the Compensation for Members of the Board of Fire**  
**Commissioners District 2**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-88 provides that each member of the Board of Fire Commissioners shall receive as compensation such amounts as the Board shall fix: and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-88 further provides that the compensation so fixed shall be subject to review by the governing body wherein the Fire District is located: and

**WHEREAS**, the compensation for members of the Board is set forth in Schedule A to the resolution.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2 in the Township of Piscataway, County of Middlesex as follows:

1. The Commissioners shall receive the compensation set forth on the attached schedule subject to review by the governing body of the municipality.
2. A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the governing body of the municipality upon adoption.

**PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO.2**  
**RESOLUTION 2022-14**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-15 requires the governing board of each fire district to cause an annual audit of its accounts to be made, and

**WHEREAS**, the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 has been completed and filed with the District Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-15 and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17, requires the governing body of each fire district to, within 45 days of receipt of the annual audit, certify by resolution to the Local Finance Board that each member thereof has personally reviewed the annual audit report, and specifically the sections of the audit report entitled “**General Comments**” and “**Recommendations**”, and has evidenced same by group affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board, and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have received the annual audit and have personally reviewed the annual audit, and have specifically reviewed the sections of

the annual audit entitled “**General Comments**” and “**Recommendations**” in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** , that the governing body of the Piscataway Township Fire District No. 2, hereby certifies to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that each governing body member has personally reviewed the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, and specifically has reviewed the sections of the audit report entitled “**General Comments**” and “**Recommendations,**” and has evidenced same by group affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the secretary of the fire district, is hereby directed to promptly submit to the Local Finance Board the aforesaid group affidavit, accompanied by a certified true copy of this resolution.

IT IS HERBY CERTIFIED THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 15,2022.

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Secretary

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Date

Recorded Vote :

Henry “Aye”, Mosier “Aye” , Agnew “absent”, Combates “Aye” , Do “Aye”  
Commissioner Combates noted that the resolution numbers presented tonight might change as the secretary is absent and the numbers may not be accurate.

**Insurance** – Commissioner Mosier

The Commissioners are looking into changing the life insurance. Eligibility is aligned with LOSAP compliance. The LOSAP list will be updated once it comes due in August. Once the LOSAP figures come in people will be taken on or off and you will be notified as opposed to waiting the 6 months.

**New Application** – Commissioner Do

We have a membership application for Shaine Thomas, 307 Park Ave. Piscataway, NJ, for Holmes Marshall Fire. Motion to accept, pending background check, made by Commissioner Mosier and seconded by Commissioner Combates, Affirmed.

**Resignation** - Commissioner Do

Commissioner Do received an e-mail from Joe Wotjowicz sent Tuesday November 12, 2022, at 5:42 pm, resigning as a firefighter in district 2, effective immediately. Commissioner Combates made a motion to accept the resignation as read. Seconded by Commissioner Do.

Commissioner Mosier made an amendment to the motion that Mr. Wotjowicz will be unable for reinstatement based on a violation of the bylaws. Seconded by Commissioner Do.

Commissioner Mosier made a motion to close meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Combates. Affirmed.

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 pm