

1 Minutes of November 18, 2015

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3 The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioner's was called to  
4 order by President O'Connor at 7:00 PM. The President advised  
5 that all requirements of the Open Public Meeting Laws have been  
6 met. Roll Call, Gifford-present, Walsh-present, Scollay-  
7 present, Dowling-present, O'Connor-present, Mr. Braslow -  
8 present. President O'Connor reminded everyone that this is a  
9 public meeting and that smoking is not allowed. The flag was  
10 saluted. The minutes of the October 21, 2015 meeting were read.  
11 Commissioner Gifford made a motion to accept the minutes of the  
12 October 21, 2015 meeting, Commissioner Walsh second, roll call  
13 vote, full board yes. Commissioner Gifford made a motion to pay  
14 all bills that are before the board at this time. Commissioner  
15 Walsh second, roll call vote, full board yes.

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18 Treasurer's Report: Earl Gifford  
19 Checking Account: - \$ 428,268.42  
20 Interest Earned: - \$  
21 Funds Received: - \$ 359,337.00  
22 Permits Received - \$ 210.00  
23 Smoke Detector: - \$ 1,175.00  
24 Total Disbursements - \$ 74,954.96  
25 Capital Account - \$ 438,674.00  
26 Capital Account Interest - \$ 67.10

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28 Correspondence:

29 1 - Commissioner Dowling reported that we received  
30 correspondence for driver training request one is for Matt  
31 Armstrong on 275 and Joe DeRocker on 287

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34 Chief's Report- Brian Pemberton, 1<sup>st</sup> Asst Chief Wanamassa Fire  
35 Company reporting.

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37 Calls for the month 30, calls for the year 333, fire alarms 8,  
38 smell of smoke 2, drills 2, extrication 1, mva 4, work details  
39 2, CO alarm 4, wires 4

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41 Asst Chief Pemberton reported that 266 has 50,410 and 267 has  
42 76,236 miles

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44 266 was repaired at Ryan's auto body and now needs to be  
45 scheduled for service for general maintenance

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47 273 is out of service again there was a small crack in the frame  
48 that was caused ty a production defect

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50 On Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> the chief gave permission for an engine  
51 to attend the fire first home game at the high school. Chief  
52 Sorrentino was advised

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54 On November 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am there will be a work detail to hang  
55 the Christmas lights

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57 On December 5<sup>th</sup> the fire company will be taking Santa to  
58 Applebee's again as we have done in previous years

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60 On December 6<sup>th</sup> is the townships tree lighting ceremony and the  
61 fire company will be providing Santa as well

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63 There has been an issue with too many members parking their  
64 POV's on the side of the building when responding to calls. At  
65 times it becomes too congested and unsafe. At the monthly  
66 meeting I advised the membership to please utilize the parking  
67 lot first and then they may use the side of the building

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69 I submitted a driver training request for fire fighter J.  
70 DeRocker to train on 287. He has the proper training and time in  
71 the company.

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73 Just so you are aware, I still have not received the thermal  
74 imaging camera or the stakes that go with the Paratech struts.  
75 They were approved at the August meeting.

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77 Commissioner Scollay asked Asst Chief Pemberton what brought  
78 this parking problem to light do you know. They are not using  
79 the parking spaces. Commissioner Gifford stated that it actually  
80 is a fire lane. A discussion followed

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82 Commissioner Scollay said we have talked about the trailer that  
83 is out here. If the company is not utilizing that trailer maybe  
84 they should consider bringing it back. Asst Chief Pemberton said  
85 that this is going to be brought up and we are going to try to  
86 get rid of it. A discussion followed

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88 Captain's Report- Henry Katelhon, Wanamassa First Aid Squad  
89 reporting.

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91 Calls for the month 61, emergency 15, mva , fire , drill ,  
92 mutual aid 3, mutual aid/mva , duty crew 8, total volunteer  
93 calls 26, total per diem calls 35, total for % year from

94 10/2011-9/2012 , regular calls 61, mutual aid 3/ duty crew 8  
95 /total 61

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97 Captain Katelhon reported the mileage on the captain's car is  
98 48,591

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100 The Stryker lift system is both rigs

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102 Cathy and Nellie both did CPR recert

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104 Fire Police Report- Commissioner Dowling Wanamassa  
105 Fire Police reporting.

106 Call for the month 20, responded 19, structure fire , fire  
107 alarm 7, mva 2, smoke detector 2, elevator rescue 1, smell smoke  
108 home , dumpster . wires down 4,

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110 Fire Official's Report -Fire Marshal Haege, Fire District  
111 #2 reporting.

112 Inspections 108, Re-inspections 13, Permits: inspected & issued  
113 7, fire investigations , other 1, smoke detector 21, UCC 23,  
114 misc fee \$100.00, registration fee for month - \$1,834.00,  
115 registration fee to date \$26,375.50

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117 Fire Marshal Haege said the mileage on 230 is 103,205, 231 is  
118 31,219, 232 is 93,113, and 233 is 89,065

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120 Mechanics report: Fire Marshal Haege Reporting

121 250 OK

122 256 serviced

123 257 serviced, brakes

124 273 out of service for cracked frame repair

125 275 having some portable radio problems not charging

126 278 OK

127 285 OK

128 287 OK

129 290 ground wire replaced for front warning lite problem

130 298 OK

131 266 in shop for body work repairs

132 267 OK

133 230 serviced, needs tires

134 231 OK

135 232 OK

136 233 OK

137 240 OK

138 Misc

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140 Static IP ordered for old station and computer equipment for CAD  
141 system

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143 Two valves replaced on the house Cascade fill station

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145 Scott Packs are due for testing

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147 All C/O detectors have been recalibrated

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149 My vehicle could we possibly talked about a lite bar for it out  
150 of this year's budget. I have a quote from East Cost Emergency  
151 Lighting state contract 881336 for \$3,648.78.

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153 Fire Marshal Haege said that he did confirm with the dealership  
154 that we sent that letter of commitment for the truck for next  
155 year

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157 Mr. Francis

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159 Mr. Francis stated said the camera that Brian was asking about  
160 is right there it has been there for two weeks. I assume it is  
161 going into 273, 273 is not here unless you want us to put it  
162 275. Commissioner Gifford asked Brian to pass that on.

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164 Mr. Francis said that the stakes are on order I don't know why  
165 they haven't come yet.

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167 Mr. Francis are you going to order the other cameral this year  
168 they asked for two and we only have one and you approved two. If  
169 you do can we order a spare charger to put into 278 so if 273  
170 and 275 goes out we can put the camera into 278.

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172 Mr. Francis asked if they want the vehicles detailed like we do  
173 every year. They said yes

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175 Mr. Francis said we are picking up the snow blower this week.  
176 They are putting it together and they will call me when it is  
177 ready.

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179 Mr. Francis said that Tommy had talked about the two radios the  
180 drivers radio in 275 is not working. It will be \$325.00 to  
181 repair it. The other one HT1000 that they said the battery was  
182 dead the charger is broken we need a new charger which is  
183 \$312.00.

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185 Mr. Francis said that I can't do the Scott test by myself I was  
186 wondering if we could hire one of the guys like Dave Resnick.He

187 is around all of the time for the day at a cost of \$80.00. I  
188 haven't made the appointment yet. A discussion followed

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190 Mr. Braslow said we need to change the workshop meeting for  
191 December from December 9<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup> at the same time.  
192 Commissioner Dowling made a motion to change the workshop  
193 meeting in December from December 9<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>.  
194 Commissioner Walsh second, roll call vote full board yes

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196 Mr. Braslow said we need a motion to schedule a special capital  
197 meeting for December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM for voters to approve various  
198 fire house renovations not to exceed \$35,000.00 and refurbishing  
199 the fire truck not to exceed \$335,000.00. Commissioner Gifford  
200 made the motion Commissioner Dowling second, roll call vote,  
201 full board yes

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203 Mr. Braslow said you have two resolutions one is the adoption of  
204 transfers regarding the 2015 budget for schedule A. Commissioner  
205 Gifford made the motion. Commissioner Walsh second, roll call  
206 vote, full board yes

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208 Mr. Braslow said the second resolution is establishing a  
209 temporary budget for 2016 as to allow you to spend money from  
210 the first of the year until the election. By statute it is 14% of  
211 this year's budget not including debt services. Commissioner  
212 Gifford made that motion, Commissioner Walsh second, roll call  
213 vote, full board yes

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215 Mr. Braslow said that the deadline for petitions for the  
216 February election is January 22<sup>nd</sup> the election is February 20<sup>th</sup>.  
217 We are doing a joint mail in notice with the other district and  
218 the price is \$200.00 and change. A discussion followed

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220 Mr. Braslow stated that he had a conference call yesterday with  
221 Assemblymen, legislative services regarding the election date  
222 legislation. Mr. Braslow explained to the board what his means.

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224 Mr. Braslow said that this does not impact you at the moment but  
225 I need to tell you this so when you are considering capital  
226 projects down the road. Cherry Hill has a firehouse that put up  
227 in 1973 which has a fire training facility right next to the  
228 firehouse. The six story tower at that point was connected to  
229 the firehouse. What they had to do is replace it. It is like a  
230 million two went out to bid got everything they needed.  
231 Everything was done correctly we have a power point that the  
232 chief put together and made out an application to the local  
233 finance board. The finance board turns around and says that the

234 county has a facility why do you need one. I bring this up  
235 because that is not the role of the finance board. He then  
236 explained in length what the board said. A discussion followed  
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238 Unfinished Business:

239 1 - Commissioner Gifford said 273 we took it to Campbell's and  
240 the parts were delivered today and hopefully we should have it  
241 back by Thanksgiving.

242 2 - Commissioner Scollay said he would like to move on the cover  
243 for the ward. I reported that we wish to go with the tan  
244 flannel. The cost is \$623.88. Commissioner Scollay made a motion  
245 to purchase the tan cover at a cost of \$623.88. Commissioner  
246 Dowling second, roll call vote, full board yes.

247 3 - Commissioner Dowling said that at our workshop we discussed  
248 that you asked me to send a letter to Spring Garden restaurant.  
249 I hand delivered the letter today. Commissioner Dowling read the  
250 letter to the board.

251 4 - Commissioner Dowling said that at our last regular meeting  
252 we had discussed putting together a committee to go over new  
253 gear. Commissioner Scollay and I met with a gentleman named John  
254 from Morning Pride with the fire officers. We have quotes on the  
255 fire gear from Morning Pride with boots it is \$2,873.16 without  
256 boots \$2,518.16 so the total cost with boots would be \$14,365.80  
257 without boots \$12,590.80 my question is do we need the boots.  
258 Commissioner Gifford said do we have boots in stock. Mr. Francis  
259 said yes. Commissioner Dowling made a motion that we make five  
260 sets of gear from Morning Pride according to the specs at a  
261 total of \$12,590.80. Commissioner Scollay second, roll call  
262 vote, full board yes

263 5 - Commissioner Dowling said that he was in contact with a  
264 gentleman named Orlando that did our floors out here. He cannot  
265 do across the street because he is booked from now until the end  
266 of the year. I just wanted you to know I did discuss it with  
267 John. Commissioner O'Connor said we will have to do it ourselves  
268 for now. A discussion followed

269 6 - Commissioner O'Connor said chief we have been approached by  
270 security boxes for your membership we approved that but we are  
271 still waiting for the type of box so if you get in touch with  
272 the officers and let us know what you want.

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274 New Business:

275 1 - Commissioner Dowling made a motion that we get the vehicles  
276 detailed for New Year's. Commissioner Walsh second, roll call  
277 vote, full board yes.

278 2 - Commissioner Dowling made a motion to get the lite bar for  
279 230 at a cost of \$3,648.78 with the state contract. Commissioner  
280 Gifford second, roll call vote, full board yes

281 3- Commissioner Dowling made a motion for the driver request for  
282 Matt Armstrong as a driver on 275 and Joe DeRocker a driver for  
283 287. Commissioner Gifford second, roll call vote, full board yes

284 4 - Commissioner Walsh made a motion that the radio on 275 be  
285 sent out at a cost of \$325.00 and a charger at \$312.00.

286 Commissioner Dowling second, roll call vote, full board yes

287 5 - Commissioner Gifford made a motion that we schedule to have  
288 the Scot Packs tested with Nat Alexander to do the inspection  
289 and have a fireman help them move the packs around at a cost of  
290 \$10.00 per hour. Commissioner Dowling second, roll call vote,  
291 full board yes

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293 President O'Connor asked if anyone seated would like to bring  
294 anything before the Board.

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296 At this time the Commissioner Walsh made a motion to close the  
297 meeting at 7:35 PM Commissioner Dowling second, roll call  
298 vote, full board yes.

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