

**Board of Fire Commissioners  
Fire District #4  
672 East Main Street  
Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807**

**Minutes of Regular meeting  
12/29/2015**

**Location of meeting:**

Finderne Fire House  
672 East Main Street  
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

**Members:**

Allen Kurdyla  
Anthony Ranallo  
Carl Spolarich  
Paul Orloff  
Samantha Ally

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Finderne Fire Department was called to order at 7:30 pm on December 29, 2015 by Allen Kurdyla.

- Salute to the flag.

**I. Roll call of Attendance:**

Allen Kurdyla; Anthony Ranallo; Carl Spolarich; Paul Orloff; Samantha Ally  
Chief Keith Binkley; President Steve Spolarich; Finderne Rescue Squad – not represented

**II. Review of Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the November 24, 2015 meeting were distributed and reviewed.  
Motion to accept the minutes as printed– P. Orloff; Second – A. Ranallo  
Motion unanimously approved

**III. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was distributed and reviewed. (see attached)  
Motion to accept report– P. Orloff; Second – S. Ally  
Motion unanimously approved

**IV. Presentation of Fire Department and Rescue Squad Bills**

The monthly bills were distributed and reviewed in the treasurer's report.  
A. A. Ranallo questioned if the Rescue work was finished since the bill was paid  
a. Chief Binkley said it was  
Motion to pay bills– P. Orloff; Second – A. Ranallo;  
Motion unanimously approved

**V. Correspondence**

- A. ISO Rating Report
- B. VFIS Accident and Health policies renewal
- C. Email correspondence with Lauren DeVito re: Finderne Avenue Request for Records
- D. Email correspondence with Richard Braslow re: LOSAP account information
- E. Email correspondence with Kathy McSorley re: LOSAP accounts spreadsheet
- F. Email correspondence with Gina Wood of Gannett re: Absentee election ballot proof
- G. New Jersey State Firemen's Relief Association Application for
  - a. Christopher P. Myers
  - b. Matthew T. Hupfer
- H. Email correspondence with Courier News re: Annual Election Public Notice

- I. Letter from Andy Kazulak of All Seasons Distribution re: Purchasing used two way radio equipment
- J. Letter from Holman Frenia Allison, P.C. re: copy of updated W-9
- K. Letter from TD Bank re: changes to accounts
- L. VFIS payments re: Ms. Kocanowski
- M. VFIS newsletter
- N. VFIS holiday card
- O. Finderne Rescue squad statistics
- P. New Jersey Fire Equipment Company quote
- Q. 2016 List of Officers, Executive Board and Trustees

## VI. Old Business

- A. Lincoln Financial
  - 1. 35 accounts listed
  - 2. A. Kurdyla thinks there may be more
  - 3. Can President Spolarich coordinate signing up rest of members
  - 4. Money not moved yet
- B. Nationwide Accounts
  - 1. A. Kurdyla has corresponded with Nationwide and Braslow regarding accounts
  - 2. Account list from Nationwide was unacceptable and A. Kurdyla informed them it was of no use
    - i. Listed only district contributions not the entire account value
  - 3. Kathy McSorley from Nationwide working to supply account breakdowns
- C. VFIS Accident and Health Policies
  - 1. A. Kurdyla supplied updated list
  - 2. A. Kurdyla suggests working with President Spolarich to keep track of list on a monthly basis
- D. Inventory Lists
  - 1. Chief Binkley has 3 of the inventory lists (see Chief's report)

## VII. New Business

- A. LOSAP
  - 1. Local Finance Notice
    - i. Cannot increase LOSAP contribution without referendum
- B. Resolution 122915-1
  - 1. Authorizing of Temporary Budget for 2016
    - i. Motion – S. Ally
    - ii. Second – A. Ranallo
    - iii. Roll call:
      - 1. Kurdyla – yes
      - 2. Ranallo – yes
      - 3. Spolarich – yes
      - 4. Orloff- yes
      - 5. Ally – yes

## VIII. Chief's report

- A. Inventory Lists received
  - 1. Tower 30
  - 2. 101
  - 3. Rescue 30
- B. Gear
  - 1. All gear ordered, but turnout gear backlogged due to volume
  - 2. Helmets are in
- C. 2016 Line officers:
  - a. A1 – Daniel Ally
  - b. A2 – Michael Denney
  - c. A3 – Raymond Booth
  - d. A4 – Matthew Hupfer
  - e. A5 – William Ally, III

- f. A6 – William Wilde
- g. A7 – Robin Lorduy
- h. A8 – David Bereheiko
- i. Head Drivers
  - i. 101 – Adele Ruggini
  - ii. 102 – no applications submitted
  - iii. Truck – Michael Jannone, Sr.
  - iv. Rescue – Richard Armstrong
- j. President – Steve Spolarich
- k. Vice President – Steve Niederle
- l. Secretary – Trent Delameter
- m. Treasurer – Adele Ruggini
- n. Trustee – Michael Montone
- o. Trustee – Dave Bereheiko
- p. Trustee – Keith Binkley

- D. Quote for equipment
  - 1. Submitted for
    - i. Rescue bailout bags
    - ii. 6 Scott Masks
    - iii. 30 Fire fighter gloves
    - iv. 1 Gemtor harness for K. Pope
  - 2. Bill must be dated and submitted before 12/31/2015 for the 2015 budget
- E. Chief Binkley thanks the board for the past 2 years

**IX. Presidents report**

- A. 1<sup>st</sup> Readings
  - a. Brian Noll
  - b. Kaitlyn Cavanaugh
    - i. Both sent for physicals
- B. Relief Association applications
  - a. Christopher Myers
  - b. Matthew Hupfer

**X. New Members**

None

**XI. Resigning Members**

None

**XII. Status Changes**

None

**XIII. FINDERNE RESCUE SQUAD REPORT**

- A. September 30 calls
- B. October 41 calls
- C. November 28 calls
- D. A. Kurdyla asked how the FRS is doing with responding with the FFD?
  - a. Chief Binkley says day calls are run out of RWJ
  - b. Majority of calls they respond to are night calls when they are in service
- E. A. Kurdyla asked M. Jannone, Sr. about Bound Brook's response
  - a. M. Jannone says ambulance response is poor in the area due to change in county system

**XIV. Public Portion**

- A. Motion to open to the public at 8:04 pm by A. Ranallo; Second – S. Ally; Motion unanimously approved.
  - 1. Matt Hupfer  
21A South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Manville, New Jersey 08835
  - A. Have bottle and pack upgrades been brought up in Joint Board? Can upgrades be done?

- a. A. Kurdyla asked for the information to be gathered so he can present it to the Joint Board
- 2. Mr. Dave Bereheiko  
7 Deerhead Drive  
Bound Brook, NJ 08805
- A. As Chief Engineer for 2016 he requests a copy of the report for Rescue 30
  - a. Currently compiling a list for Fire and Safety
  - b. Examples
    - i. Wire strip burned up on Tower 30
    - ii. 102 Brakes very damaged
    - iii. 102 Back up alarm not working
  - B. A. Kurdyla said if we have a report we can make sure D. Bereheiko gets it
  - C. Chief Binkley said he does not receive a report from Fire and Safety

**XV. Adjourn meeting and go to closed session**

- A. Motion to close to the public and go to closed session at 8:15 pm by A. Ranallo; Second – P. Orloff;  
Motion unanimously approved.

The public meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on January 26, 2016 at  
Finderne Fire House  
672 East Main St  
Bridgewater, NJ 08806

respectfully submitted by: Samantha Ally