

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

**Minutes of Regular meeting
10/27/2015**

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 October 27, 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 September 29, 2015 meeting were distributed and reviewed.
Motion to accept the minutes as printed– A. Ranallo; Second – P. Orloff
Motion unanimously approved

III. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was distributed and reviewed. (see attached)
Motion to accept report– A. Ranallo; Second – P. Orloff
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. Kurdyla questioned why K. Bereheiko was taking Incident Management? Isn't this premature since he is still in FFII
 - a. Chief Binkley said he thought it might be included in the 200 class.
 - b. A. Kurdyla questioned why J. Solomon isn't also enrolled then if this is a natural progression?
 - c. Chief Binkley will look into this

Motion to pay bills– P. Orloff; Second – S. Ally; Motion unanimously approved

V. Correspondence

- A. NJMVC registration for 102
- B. VFIS payments re: Ms. Kocanowski
- C. Email correspondence from Jennifer Lear re: Mr. Watkins

VI. Old Business

- A. Percentage Sheets:
 - 1. Turned into A. Kurdyla
 - 2. After meeting A. Kurdyla would like to meet with Chief Binkley to discuss
- B. LOSAP
 - 1. A. Kurdyla met with membership at a special meeting discuss point system and address questions.
 - 2. A. Kurdyla felt the meeting was successful. The membership received the information well and were satisfied with the answers
 - 3. President Spolarich said the feedback from the membership was positive.
- C. VFIS
 - 1. Ex-Chief Armstrong and Firefighter Gillespie may have been contacted regarding the Watkins lawsuit
 - 2. Firefighter Gillespie went and there was a VFIS representative.
 - 3. A. Kurdyla would like to be notified if anyone lost time from work so they can be compensated for their time.
- D. Radios
 - 1. Chief Binkley stated there was no contact from M&W or the police chief
 - i. The purchase order is in and Chief Binkley is still waiting
 - ii. Police Chief said radio chargers are in and he will reach out to M&W to set up installation of chargers.
 - iii. Following day purchase order put in
 - iv. Need to reach out to Keith to set up an installation date
- E. Inventories
 - 1. C. Spolarich asked if the inventories had been turned in as they are needed for the audit.
 - 2. Chief Binkley will check to see if they are on the computer and can be reprinted.

VII. New Business

- A. Air Gas contract
 - 1. Needs to be signed by A. Kurdyla
- B. Transfer of funds
 - 1. Move \$8,000.00 from Account 713 (maintenance) to Account 707 (rent)
 - 2. Move \$5,000.00 from Account 713 (maintenance) to Account 712 (training)
 - 3. This needs to be done by resolution in November
Motion to prepare resolution for adoption at the November meeting– A. Ranallo; Second – P. Orloff; Motion unanimously approved
- C. Budget will make statutory dates and will be introduced in November
- D. Chief's vehicle usage policy
 - 1. A. Kurdyla would like to look at the three other districts' policies to put a policy in place that aligns.
 - 2. Would like to put guidelines in place (i.e. mileage)
 - 3. The district should put this policy in place to cover from a liability standpoint
 - 4. A. Kurdyla will reach out to the other districts for copies of their policies.

VIII. Chief's report

- A. Drills
 - 1. 11/16/2015 – sprinkler drill at Chubb
 - 2. 11/23/2015 – Live Burn at Somerset Fire Academy
- B. Rescue 1
 - 1. Going to Fire and Safety for hydro testing on cascade system bottles
 - 2. Power take off switch to be checked
- C. 102
 - 1. Can the damage to the bumper and passenger side be repaired?
 - 2. A. Ranallo stated that repair was authorized earlier in the year – damage was already submitted and payment received
- D. Air Gas will replace 2 lines on Rescue
 - 1. Repair should be completed by 10/30/2015
- E. Turnout Gear
 - 1. W. Wilde gear ordered
 - 2. K. Bereheiko gear ordered
 - 3. A. Ruggini turned down new gear

4. There is still money in the account – will look to see who needs new gear

IX. Presidents report

- A. 1st reading for an application for a new member
 - a. Christopher Myers

X. New Members

- A. Winnicott Medrano as of 2/10/2015

XI. Resigning Members

None

XII. Status Changes

None

XIII. Finderne Rescue Squad Report

No report

XIV. Public Portion

- A. Motion to open to the public at 8:05 pm by P. Orloff; Second – C. Spolarich; Motion unanimously approved.

XV. Motion to close to the public at 8:06 pm by A. Ranallo; Second – S. Ally; Motion unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on November 24, 2015 at
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respectfully submitted by: Samantha Ally