

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

Minutes of Regular meeting
4/24/2019

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 7:35 pm on April 24, 2019 by Anthony Ranallo.

- Salute to the flag.

I. Roll call of Attendance:

Allen Kurdyla (absent for Emergency Relief Association meeting until 8:16 p.m.); Anthony Ranallo; Carl Spolarich; Paul Orloff; Samantha Ally

Chief Michael Jannone; President Steve Spolarich; Finderne Rescue Squad – no representative

~Please silence all phones~

II. Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the March 27, 2019 meeting were distributed and reviewed.

Motion to table minutes due to lack of time to review –A. Ranallo; Second – No second

Motion to accept as printed: P. Orloff; Second: C. Spolarich

Motion unanimously approved

III. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was distributed and reviewed. (see attached)

Discussion re: The Board of Elections bills (personal payments not made by District #4 yet)

Motion to accept report– S. Ally; 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.

April Bills: \$58,268.52

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

Motion unanimously approved

V. Correspondence

- A. Letter correspondence with Holmes & McDowell re: advertisement
- B. Letter correspondence with NJDMV re: Vehicle Registration
- C. Quote from Richies Tires re: Rims

VI. Old Business

- A. None

VII. New Business

- A. None

VIII. Chief's report

A. Apparatus Report

1. 301

a. Repairs Made

- A. No update

b. Repairs Needed

- A. One damaged seatbelt – ordered from Fire and Safety

A. 302

a. Repairs Made

- B. Out of Service for refurbishment – all equipment removed

b. Repairs Needed

- A. Officers TIC and vehicle charger \$3,530.00 Hydraulic Tool \$9,385.00

B. 303

a. Repairs Made

- A. No update

b. Repairs Needed

- A. Equipment still being mounted

- B. Still need seatbelt extenders

- C. Air system removal needs decision

3. Tower 30

a. Repairs Made:

- A. No update

b. Repairs needed

- A. Weekly tire maintenance

4. Rescue 30

a. Repairs:

- A. No update

b. Repairs needed

- A. Chip in windshield

5. Mini Pumper

a. Repairs Made

- A. None

b. Repairs needed

- A. Limited Service

6. Car 30

a. Repairs

- A. No update

b. Repairs needed

- A. No update

B. Fire Calls

1. 28 calls in March

2. Fire call man hours: 363

3. Work detail, training and meeting hours: 901

C. Equipment

1. Need saw blades (K650 Metal K650 and Chain saw Stihl)

- D. 2019 1st quarter LOSAP reports submitted to A. Kurdyla
- E. Five Alarm plan completed
 - 1. Concern about members disseminated on social media
- F. VHF paging as of April 1, 2019
 - a Only 7 spare pagers
- G. Live burn May 19, 2019 after which each firefighter will be issued new mask
- H. Engines 301 and 303 and Tower 30 had their yearly pump test – all passed
- I. Chief Jannone requests 15 new packs through grant possibility
- J. Tactical Fire Service scheduled to complete yearly test
- K. Did not get Firehouse Subs grant
- L. NJ American grant \$960 for hoods. Check presented 4/23/19. Check made to FFD, will deposit and issue check to Board of FD for hood purchase.
- M. Open house at Learning Experience 4/13/19
- N. Engine 302 Final Items:
 - 1. Tic and charger \$3,530.00
 - 2. Hydraulic tool \$9,385
 - 3. \$19,189 for total equipment
Motion to spend: C. Spolarich; Second: A. Ranallo
Motion unanimously approved
 - 4. \$6,970.15 for 303 emergency lighting
Motion to spend: C. Spolarich; Second: A. Ranallo
Motion unanimously approved
- O. Air System
 - 1. Remove system
 - 2. Need to properly dispose of bottles
 - 3. BBRS wants to convert to into fill station
 - 4. Would need a waiver written by lawyer
Motion to move forward with removal of system and 4 bottles: A. Ranallo; Second: P. Orloff
Motion unanimously approved

IX. Presidents report

- A. None

X. New Members

- None

XI. Resigning Members

- None

XII. Status Changes

- None

XIII. Finderne Rescue Squad Report

- None

XIV. Public Portion

- A. Motion to open to the public at 8:14 pm by S. Ally; Second – C. Spolarich;

Motion unanimously approved.

1.) Dave Bereheiko
7 Deerhead Drive
Bound Brook, NJ 08805

Stated received a letter from Nationwide re: adding money to account
Money when added then withdrawn will be taxable

Motion to close public portion of meeting at 8:16 pm to go back to public portion by S. Ally; Second – C. Spolarich

. Motion unanimously approved.

****Report from Chairman Kurdyla about Election****

All fire districts in county except Bridgewater paid county officials individually
Districts felt it wasn't correct-should get invoice from county, districts pay county, then county pay employees
Rose contacted Amorosa (County official) and Braslow about concerns
Amorosa stated there will be an investigation
Braslow recommended not paying until issue with county gets resolved.
First time Braslow has not heard of paying employees with separate checks from districts
Bills approved of paying as of now: printing of ballots and IBM
Waiting to hear from county and Braslow about paying for employees
Motion to precede according to Braslows recommendations unofficially made during Treasurer's Report

XV. Adjourn meeting

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting to go to closed session 8:22 pm by C. Spolarich;
Second – S. Ally;
Motion unanimously approved.

The public meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on May 29, 2019 at
FINDERNE Fire House
672 East Main St
Bridgewater, NJ 08806

Respectfully submitted by: Samantha Ally