

**Board of Fire Commissioners
FIRE DISTRICT # 4
672 EAST MAIN STREET
BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 18, 2023

Allen Kurdyla called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Allen Kurdyla, Carl Spolarich, Debbie Brightbill, Mijett Long and Sharon Fell.

Finderne Fire Department: Chief Keith Binkley, Deputy Chief Fernandez, Steve Spolarich.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes from prior meeting December 14, 2022, accepted as presented.

Motion to accept: Sharon Fell.

Second by: Debbie Brightbill.

Unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Attached)

Treasurer Spolarich read the Treasurers Report and is attached.

He reported a balance of \$1,616,503.37 in all District Accounts.

Motion to accept: Mijett Long.

Second by: Sharon Fell.

Unanimously approved.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

Treasurer Spolarich presented the bills which he had reviewed with Ex. Chief Jannone.

Total of bills to be paid is \$ 45,684.46.

Bill list is attached to Treasurer's report.

Motion to pay the bills was made by: Mijett Long.

Second by: Sharon Fell.

Unanimously approved.

CHIEFS REPORT:

23calls, 552 Man Hours – Report attached.

- Alarm Activations – 13
- Carbon Monoxide Alarms – 2
- Elevator Entrapment – 1
- Motor Vehicle Accident – 1
- Wire Fire – 1

- Gas Leak – 1
- Mutual Aid (23,34,37,82) – 4
- Call – 174 hours
- Work details – 248 hours
- Training – 96 hours
- Drills – 34 hours

FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT REPORT:

- New Member – None
- Resigning members – None
- Status changes – None
- A copy of the Finderne FD 2023 elected officers (Attached)

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Received LOSAP member report (Attached)
- Itemized list of expenses from The Somerset County clerk’s office for the 2023 Fire elections.
- Voucher received from the Bridgewater Township for the supplemental fire program for \$2,608.00. (Attached)

OLD BUSINESS:

- Budget approval
 - #2 - Resolution of the 2023 budget
 - \$734,681.57 and will raise by \$699,573.57 with a 2% increased.

Floor open for budget discussion:
 Motion to open the floor: Sharon Fell.
 Seconded by: Debbie Brightbill.
 Unanimously approved:

Hearing none and seeing none.

Close floor to the public:
 Motion to close the budget discussion: Sharon Fell.
 Seconded by: Debbie Brightbill.
 Unanimously approved.

Roll Call vote

Sharon Fell - yes
 Debbie Brightbill - yes
 Carl Spolarich - yes
 Mijett Long - yes
 Allen Kurdyla - yes

NEW BUSINESS:

- LOSAP payment for 2022 service.

Motion to pay LOSAP commitment for 2022: Carl Spolarich

Seconded by: Sharon Fell.

Unanimously approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE - LOSAP

Sharon fell - yes

Debbie Brightbill - yes

Carl Spolarich - yes

Mijett Long - yes

Allen Kurdyla - yes

- Pay per call stipend: \$13,470.00 – members will be receiving a 1099 for tax purposes.

Motion to pay the stipend: Sharon Fell.

Seconded by: Debbie Brightbill.

Unanimously approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE - STIPEND

Sharon fell - yes

Debbie Brightbill - yes

Carl Spolarich - yes

Mijett Long - yes

Allen Kurdyla - yes

- Purchase Scott Air Packs - 11 air pack and 21 Bottles. Copy of invoice attached.

Motion to approve purchase of Scott Air packs and bottles: Allen Kurdyla

Seconded by: Carl Spolarich.

Unanimously approved.

Roll Call vote – Scott Air packs & bottles

Sharon Fell - yes

Debbie Brightbill - yes

Carl Spolarich - yes

Mijett Long - yes

Allen Kurdyla - yes

- Election tellers needed for the February 18, 2023, election.
 - Christian Fernandez volunteered.
 - Ray Booth and Christiano Godoy will be asked to assist as well.

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:

Commissioner Kurdyla opened the meeting to the public at 8:11 PM.

Motion by Commissioner: Debbie Brightbill.

Second by Commissioner: Carl Spolarich.

Unanimously Approved.

Hearing none and seeing none.

Adjournment

Chairman Kurdyla asked if anyone had any other business to be heard.

Motion to close by: Debbie Brightbill.

Second by: Carl Spolarich.

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mijett Long
Secretary