Board of Fire Commissioners GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT 6 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held:April 28, 2016Meeting Place:Board OfficeMeeting Called to Order:6:30pm

Members of Board Present: Chairman – George Brown

Vice Chairman - Richard Annacone

Treasurer – Brian Robinson **Secretary –** George Flinn

Commissioner – Steven Funkhouser Administrative Clerk – Jeanette Cottone

Solicitor - David Carlamere

Salute the Flag

The Sunshine Law – George Brown: In accordance with the NJ Sunshine Law this meeting is open to the public. The public portion will follow the regular business of the Board.

Roll call Commissioners:

All present.

Minutes of the previous meeting - Motion to accept the previous month's minutes as they are available to the public upon request.

Motion made by Comm. Flinn, seconded by Comm. Annacone. Roll call vote, all yes.

<u>Correspondence</u> – <u>Jeanette Cottone</u> <u>Adm.Cl.Cottone</u>: It's been distributed.

Treasurer's Report - Rich Annacone

Audubon General Account 1,747,191.00 Audubon Payroll Account 26,084.85 Expenditures: 127,767.38

TOTAL AMOUNT FOR APPROVAL 127,767.38

Motion made by Comm. Flinn, seconded by Comm. Funkhouser to approve the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote, all yes.

Comm. Brown: First of all, I'd like to thank the Clerk, it was Administrative Professional week the other

day. Thank you very much for all you do.

Adm.Cl.Cottone: And thank you all for the flowers. **Comm. Brown:** We greatly appreciate what you do.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget Co-Commissioner – George Brown

No report.

Computer Services – George Brown

No report.

<u>Fire Prevention – George Brown</u>

No report.

IAFF Contracts Co-Commissioner – George Brown

Comm. Brown: I'd like to go to Closed for an update on the IAFF negotiations at the end.

Legal Liaison - George Brown

No report.

Liaison to the District Volunteers - George Brown

No report.

Budget Co-Commissioner – Rich Annacone

No report.

IAFF Contracts Co-Commissioner – Rich Annacone

No report.

Personnel / Administration – Rich Annacone

No report.

Personnel / Operations - Rich Annacone

No report.

Apparatus - Brian Robinson

No report.

Fire Department Equipment – Brian Robinson

No report.

Fire Department Operations – Brian Robinson

No report.

Training - Brian Robinson

No report.

Insurance - George Flinn

No report.

Sign - George Flinn

No report.

Water - George Flinn

No report.

Building Maintenance & Grounds – Steve Funkhouser

Comm. Funkhouser: The building is doing good. The air conditioner has been replaced upstairs on the second floor by a heating and air conditioning company. And I've given the Chief permission to order the ceiling tiles so, knock on wood, the ceiling hasn't leaked anywhere in the building, so they've done a good job. And the Chief has been working on the outside. That's all I have to report.

Communications – Steve Funkhouser

No report.

EMS / Supplies & Equipment - Steve Funkhouser

No report.

<u>Turn-Out Gear – Steve Funkhouser</u>

No report.

<u>Uniforms</u> – Steve Funkhouser

No report.

Chief - Michael Brezee

Chief Brezee: My report has been submitted. Nothing really to add other than the hose company did hose testing and ladder testing today in the cold, in the rain, and they didn't skip a beat, didn't cut a corner. So I am going to send a letter to that company letting the bosses know how well that crew did today. We did lose a couple lengths of hose. All the ladders passed. The only other question I had is, did the encumbrances clear on this yet Jan?

Adm.Cl.Cottone: No Michael, after the audit is back.

Motion made by Comm. Flinn, seconded by Comm. Annacone to accept the Chief's Report. Roll call vote, all yes.

Solicitor – David Carlamere

Sol.Carlamere: Nothing to report.

Resolutions – Jeanette Cottone

Adm.Cl.Cottone: Nothing this evening.

Old Business - George Brown

Comm. Brown: I followed up from our meeting last week today. Comm. Flinn was nice enough to deliver a letter to Mr. Engelbert at District 5 asking for status on my letter of March 4th, and the outstanding money that is owed us. We'll wait for his reply. Depending on his reply, we may have to deal with that next month, but let's hope that better heads prevail rather than getting into a battle. So let's try and see if we can get that resolved.

Secondly, the Red Cross Drive, just want to remind everybody May 13th 1:30pm - 6:30pm. They're only expecting 25 participants. If we get 25, they will consider it a success. So we've got a bunch of literature that we can do, put in the stores and put on the signs. That's all that I have for Old Business.

New Business – George Brown

Comm. Brown: We need a resolution to the JIF regarding the Commissioners for Insurance. It was sent to us earlier in the month. Without reading the resolution which is basically remove me as a co-commissioner and make Mike and Comm. Flinn the co-commissioners. So I'd like to ask for a resolution to approve that and within the spirit of the resolution which I don't have with me, I think the Clerk has, we can complete that. So a motion to approve the removal of me as a co-commissioner, and naming the Chief and Comm. Flinn as co-commissioners.

Motion made by Comm. Robinson, seconded by Comm. Annacone. Roll call vote, all yes.

<u>Public Portion – George Brown</u>

Comm. Brown: Public Portion? At this time I see no one from the Public.

Closed Session - George Brown

Motion made by Comm. Funkhouser, seconded by Comm. Annacone to go into Closed Session. Roll call vote, all yes.

Comm. Flinn left the meeting.

Open Session – George Brown

Motion made by Comm. Funkhouser, seconded by Comm. Robinson to go into Open Session. Roll call vote, Comms. Annacone, Robinson, Funkhouser and Brown yes.

Comm. Brown: Before we close, one of the things I skipped over is, are there any new volunteers that need to be presented to the Board?

Dep.Chief Brown: Yes. I don't have the information in front of me. The volunteer is Mary Kate Donahue. She's made it all the way through the process. She's a resident of Crisfield Ct. in Wye Oak. Her background check is clean and all the paperwork is complete on file at the District Office. So I'm seeking the approval for Mary Kate Donahue, she's 18 years old and she'd be coming to us as a probationary firefighter. So if she can get done her probationary work, she'd be ready for the next Academy class.

Comm. Brown: Just one question...did she star in the Quiet Man? If anybody saw the movie you'd get the joke.

Open Session - continued

Motion made by Comm. Annacone, seconded by Comm. Robinson to approve Mary Kate Donahue. Roll call vote, Comms. Annacone, Robinson, Funkhouser and Brown yes.

Adjourn - George Brown

Motion made by Comm. Annacone, seconded by Comm. Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm. Roll call vote, Comms. Annacone, Robinson, Funkhouser and Brown yes.

Comm. Brown: Thank you everyone.