

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

Meeting Held: August 25, 2016
Meeting Place: Board Office
Meeting 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:

Comms. Flinn, Funkhouser and Brown are present. Comms. Annacone and Robinson are excused.

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. Funkhouser. Roll call vote, all yes.

Correspondence – Jeanette Cottone

Adm.CI.Cottone: It's been distributed.

Treasurer's Report – Jeanette Cottone

Audubon General Account	2,193,002.28
Audubon Payroll Account	30,065.99
Expenditures: 08-25-16	69,190.83

TOTAL AMOUNT FOR APPROVAL 69,190.83

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget Co-Commissioner – George Brown

No report.

Computer Services – George Brown

No report.

Fire Prevention – George Brown

No report.

Liaison to the District Volunteers – George Brown

Comm. Brown: Are there any new members for the volunteer ranks, Dep. Chief?

Dep.Chief Brown: No.

Comm. Brown: I'd like to thank you and everyone for National Night Out. It was a good showing, it gets stronger every year, nice job. Please pass that along to everybody.

IAFF Contracts Co-Commissioner – George Brown

No report

Legal Liaison – 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 Committee has been doing some talking. We're probably going to hold off on any decisions on anything to do with the building for right now due to the fact of things going on in the Township, taxes etc. So we're going to have a Building Committee meeting and discuss a little further on what we can do with the building instead of looking at buying a new building right now. I have a goal of wanting to get the sleeping quarters brought downstairs asap. So to me, that is a safety hazard and that's where I am with that.

Communications – Steve Funkhouser

No report.

EMS / Supplies & Equipment – Steve Funkhouser

No report.

Turn-Out Gear – Steve Funkhouser

Comm. Funkhouser: The gear came in and one pair of pants has to be sent back for wrong size.

Uniforms – Steve Funkhouser

No report.

Chief – Michael Brezee

Comm. Brown: The Chief is not here, so we'll defer his Chief's report till next month.

Solicitor – David Carlamere

Sol.Carlamere: Nothing to report.

Resolutions – Jeanette Cottone

Adm.CI.Cottone: Nothing this evening.

Old Business – George Brown

Comm. Brown: I'd just like to remind everybody that on 08/31/16, the Red Cross will have another blood drive here from 2:00pm to 7:00pm.

Comm. Brown: The drug testing issue...I have not heard from Comm. Annacone who is not here tonight, we'll leave that on Old Business.

Comm. Brown: The lawsuit against District 5 has been filed. The claim was received in Camden County Court on 08/23/16.

New Business – George Brown

Comm. Brown: Any New Business?

Comm. Flinn: I'd like Chris to commend the guys for the save we had last night, he's still kicking.

Comm. Brown: I didn't hear that.

Comm. Flinn: Cardiac arrest from an overdose...did CPR.

Dep.Chief Brown: Fire Company personnel arrived first and issued CPR, brought back pulses. When BLS arrived, they administered Narcan and the patient...

Comm. Flinn: Walked himself to the ambulance.

Comm. Brown: Are we going to have some sort of...

Dep. Chief Brown: Yes, it will be discussed.

Comm. Brown: Along the lines of people doing good things, on Sunday 08/07/16, the Chief was unable to fill a shift, so he worked it. At about 8:00pm, there was a dwelling fire at 47 Primrose. Crew on duty, Adam, Tom Kenny and the Chief responded and knocked out the fire. What a great job you guys did that night, very nice job.

Dep. Chief Brown: Thank you.

Comm. Brown: There is a new organization that has some very important information that I think probably all the Commissioners should join. It's only \$25 a year, and there are some very important safety and Homeland Security videos that are available there. It's the International Public Safety Association. It's by invitation only, and they have to approve you based on what your role is. I joined to see whether it was worth showing some of the videos to some of the people around here, and I think they felt it was. I'd like to be reimbursed for the \$25, and any other Commissioner that wants to join should also be able to get reimbursed.

Motion made by Comm. Flinn, seconded by Comm. Funkhouser.

Sol.Carlamere: Question on that. That includes any other Commissioner that wants to join will be reimbursed.

Comm. Brown: They will be reimbursed the \$25. It's a non-voting membership. The voting one is pretty expensive. But I think you get a sense of the safety and security, especially personnel security from Homeland Security. There are some things out there that definitely the Chief, the Dep. Chief, the Firefighters should see, as well as the Clerk and Commissioners. I don't want to say anything more than that, but I went and looked at it and shared it with the Clerk and she felt it had some interest. I don't want to say anything more about the content, but that's what it's about.

Roll call vote, all yes.

Public Portion – George Brown

n/a

Closed Session – George Brown

n/a

Adjourn – George Brown

Motion made by Comm. Flinn, seconded by Comm. Funkhouser to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm.

Roll call vote, all yes.