

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

**Meeting Held:** June 27, 2019  
**Meeting Place:** Board Office  
**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:00pm  
**Members of Board Present:** **Chairman** – George Brown  
**Vice Chairman** – Richard Annacone  
**Treasurer** – Brian Robinson, excused  
**Secretary** – George Flinn  
**Commissioner** – Steven Funkhouser, excused  
**Administrative Clerk** – Renee Evans  
**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. Annacone, Flinn and Brown are present. Comms. Annacone & Funkhouser 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. Annacone, seconded by Comm. Flinn. Roll call vote, all yes.

**Correspondence** – Renee Evans

Adm.Cl.Evans: Everything has been distributed.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Rich Annacone

Audubon General Account	1,980,230.54
Audubon Payroll Account	45,704.51
Expenditures: June 27, 2019	56,860.03
TOTAL AMOUNT FOR APPROVAL	56,860.03

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

**IAFF Contracts Co-Commissioner** – George Brown

**Comm. Brown:** I talked to Adam about the contract.

**Comm. Annacone:** I did talk to him and he said he’d get back to him in a couple days. That was about two weeks ago. They were still working on putting something.

**Comm. Brown:** OK.

**Legal Liaison – George Brown**

No report.

**Liaison to the District Volunteers – George Brown**

**Comm. Brown:** Any new members?

**Dep.Chief Brown:** We have one of the personnel in the pipeline. He's a resident of our local Annapolis. Chris ....., he's behind me. I have all his paperwork for his background. We also have three or four others.

**Comm. Brown:** He's already got Fire 1, right?

**Dep.Chief Brown:** Yes.

**Comm. Brown:** So what does he need?

**Dep.Chief Brown:** I just picked up his background paperwork this evening.

**Comm. Brown:** Why don't we approve him tonight?

Motion made by Comm. Annacone, seconded by Comm. Flinn to approve the new candidate. Roll call vote, all yes. Sol. Carlamere swore in Christopher Fegley to firefighter. Congratulations. (applause)

**Budget Co-Commissioner – Rich Annacone**

No report.

**IAFF Contracts Co-Commissioner – Rich Annacone**

**Comm. Annacone:** I'm just waiting for them to get back to me.

**Personnel / Administration – Rich Annacone**

No report.

**Personnel / Operations – Rich Annacone**

No report.

**Apparatus – Brian Robinson**

**Chief Brezee:** He sent an email that he was on board with the request made for equipment and apparatus purchases.

**Fire Department Equipment – Brian Robinson**

No report.

**Fire Department Operations – Brian Robinson**

No report.

**Training – Brian Robinson**

No report.

**Insurance – George Flinn**

**Comm. Flinn:** We had one insurance approved tonight, and she has a copy of everything.

**Adm.Cl.Evans:** Everything's been mailed out.

**Comm. Brown:** I have one question about this. Do you know if there is any cyber insurance?

**Comm. Flinn:** The policy hasn't changed as far as covering insurance.

**Comm. Brown:** I just happened to read that in the last week, Lake City paid \$500,000 in ransom. It was paid for by the Insurance Co. It's everyday now. Also today, there was \$600,000 paid by Riviera City, Florida. So in the case of Lake City, they have a population of 65,000 people, and they paid a half million dollars. That's almost Gloucester Township size.

**Comm. Annacone:** I don't know much about computers, that's your line. But isn't that the problem that they didn't have the proper back up system?

**Comm. Brown:** That is in fact the case, but things can happen if you don't have the proper backup system. Everybody right now is getting cyber insurance. It's not just for ransom wear, it's for other things...other kinds of breaches. We have to approve this because we won't have any coverage. But I think we should investigate what the cost would be. It's not going to be cheap, but we need to have some protection. What happened in the case of Baltimore, I mentioned at last meeting, they're still without their computer system in week 7. We should find out how much it's going to cost.

**Comm. Flinn:** She hasn't sent an email, and I thought we approved it.

**Insurance – continued**

**Comm. Brown:** We can approve this tonight if you recommend it because we have to have this coverage. Normally our cyber insurance is wrapped up as part of the property policy.

**Comm. Flinn:** I recommend we stick with what we have.

**Comm. Brown:** So we're not increasing any...

**Comm. Flinn:** No. We didn't figure it in the budget.

**Comm. Brown:** OK, and the premiums are about the same or more?

**Comm. Flinn:** There's a small percentage there. Same as it usually does every year.

**Comm. Brown:** OK, the policy is from July 1, 2019 to July 1, 2020. It's final premium was \$3,910, and the new premium is \$4,052. And we'll find out about cyber insurance coverage before the next meeting.

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

**Sign – George Flinn**

No report.

**Water – George Flinn**

No report.

**Building Maintenance & Grounds – Steve Funkhouser**

No report.

**Communications – Steve Funkhouser**

No report.

**EMS / Supplies & Equipment – Steve Funkhouser**

No report.

**Turn-Out Gear – Steve Funkhouser**

No report.

**Uniforms – Steve Funkhouser**

No report.

**Chief – Michael Brezee**

**Chief Brezee:** My report has been submitted, it does cover some of Comm. Funkhouser's items. Nothing really to add. We do have a plaque presentation tonight. Whenever you'd like me to do that I'd be happy to.

**Comm. Brown:** Why don't we do it right now?

**Chief Brezee:** OK. As you recall from last month's meeting, we issued two of our firefighters their black frontice pieces after completing their probationary period. As we've done now for the last couple years, we'd like to commemorate that with placing their frontices from their probationary period on a plaque, a little something for the big achievement in my eyes that they completed. So I'll ask the guys to come up. Jason Stott and Brian Gomez are the two newest career firefighters. Unfortunately Tom was already through our system and had achieved his plaque frontice. Generally this takes a year. It took us a little longer and there's nothing wrong with that. These guys have shown me more than the minimum skills, and more than that, they're a joy to have in this firehouse.

**Comm. Brown:** I agree.

**Chief Brezee:** We've all mentioned how much nicer it is around here anymore, and part of that is because these gentlemen as well as Tom's willingness to work with others, positive attitudes, willing to jump into anything, and most importantly they've started to learn how I think. So things are happening before I even open my mouth, and that's a wonderful thing. So at this time I want to present the guys with their plaques on their successful completion, and I am very proud of the fellas. (applause)

**Comm. Brown:** Good job guys, very good job.

**Comm. Annacone:** Just one thing...Ff. Stott will be away for most of the month of July for his military training, so we'll be short a guy around here.

**Comm. Brown:** Good luck.

**Solicitor – David Carlamere**

**Sol.Carlamere:** I have nothing to report.

**Resolutions – Renee Evans**

**Adm.Cl.Evans:** None.

**Old Business – George Brown**

**Comm. Brown:** Old Business? (hearing none)

**New Business – George Brown**

**Comm. Brown:** New Business? (hearing none)

**Public Portion – George Brown**

**Comm. Brown:** Public Portion? (hearing none)

**Closed Session – George Brown**

n/a

**Adjourn – George Brown**

Motion made by Comm. Flinn, seconded by Comm. Annacone to adjourn the meeting at 7:13pm

Roll call vote, all yes.