

**TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
DISTRICT NO. 1**

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

**December 7, 2022**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Manalapan, was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman LaRocca, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

**PRESENT:** G. Schmatz, D. LaRocca, R. DiTota, A. Macchio, M. Alongi, S. Burdick, M. LaVecchia & C. Parker

**BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

No report.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Wells Fargo Money Market     \$1,523,180.74  
Wells Fargo Checking         \$     6,498.45  
Received check from the Township

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Budget came, will introduce and approve for the public hearing on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

**INSURANCE REPORT**

Working on insurance audit.

**EQUIPMENT REPORT**

Waiting for 12 SCBA masks bags, 2 lengths of 5" hose, 2 hydrant wrenches, 4 universal spanner wrenches and 10 particulate hoods.  
Received 2 Holmatro mini cutters, gear detergent and squeeze hoses for gear washer.

**RADIO REPORT**

No report.

**TRUCK REPORT**

26-1-80 – Fleet was here on Friday to repair air leak, but there appears to be another air leak.

**CHIEF'S REPORT**

52 calls for the month of November.  
Fire company elected Chief Alongi and President LaVecchia for the 2023 year.

Assistant Chief Kuka will be moving out of the area and will no longer be an officer; we thank him for his service.

Rope log has been initiated. First life safety rope is due for replacement in 2024. Working on proposed replacement plan over a several year period to spread out the expense.

Members trained on the Holmatro mini cutter this evening. Please ensure it's added to maintenance list after the first year (which is included).

Gear washer has been repaired; did not have to purchase a new pump.

Would like to hold an ice rescue class in February (weather permitting) – cost would be \$5,030.

Received updated quotes for FireDex and MorningPride gear.

Chief360 Mobile – testing for potential usage.

Would like to purchase 3 Toughbooks - \$3,263 each = \$9,789 from Wireless

Communications; ship time is 8-12 weeks.

## **ASSOCIATION REPORT**

The door guy is coming on Monday to service all 11 doors.

The lights on the ceiling in the Satellite bays are falling and need to be repaired.

Have 55 active members.

Would like to portable bathrooms to be moved someplace else, since we only use them once a year.

Discussion was held regarding remodeling/renovation of Main House.

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

No report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

See attached.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Schmatz made a motion to pay all vouchers; this was seconded by Commissioner DiTota and all voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion to introduce the 2023 budget with the public hearing scheduled for January 4, 2023; this was seconded by Commissioner DiTota; all voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion for \$5,100 for training in February; this was seconded by Commissioner DiTota; all voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion not to exceed \$10,000 to purchase 3 Toughbooks; this was seconded by Commissioner Macchio; all voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion not to exceed \$300 to purchase batteries for the 1250 portables; this was seconded by Commissioner DiTota; all voted aye.

Need to look into putting chevron stripes on the back on 26-1-87.

Commissioner Schmatz made a motion for \$2,015 to purchase step and bracket for 26-1-91; this was seconded by Commissioner Macchio; all voted aye.

Commissioner LaRocca made a motion not to exceed \$10,000 to purchase gear for Kyle Spector, Nick Macchio, white coat for Jared Aronson and pants for Steve Burdick; this was seconded by Commissioner Macchio; all voted aye.

Meeting opened to the public at 9:02 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner LaRocca to adjourn; it was seconded by Commissioner Macchio and all voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert DiTota, Clerk

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS – 12/7/22**

Discussion held regarding purchasing a new truck.

Received quote to redo floors upstairs - \$3,616.