7:03:18 PM Township of Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners

Public Meeting

March 1, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

Deptford Township Fire Administration Building

MINUTES

# Opening by Chairman:

The regular monthly public meeting of the Deptford Township Fire District #1 Board of Fire Commissioners will be called to order at the Fire Administration Office, 1370 Delsea Drive, at 7:00pm. Adequate notice of this regular meeting has been provided by posting the notice in the entrance of the Fire Administration Building on February 27, 2023 and as previously published it the following newspapers designated by the Board of Fire Commissioners: South Jersey Times and Courier Post.

# Pledge of Allegiance

# Invocation

Please remain standing for a moment of silent prayer remembering those firefighters who are sick, and those who have deceased.

# 7:04:12 PM Roll call of Commissioners/Officials in Attendance

# Chairman Michael White, Treasurer Raymond MacKay, Secretary George Frank, Commissioner Robert Sheairs and Commissioner Robert Hill. Also, in attendance Solicitor Peter Frattarelli and Administrative Clerk Donna Scally

# 7:04:18 PM Approval of Minutes. Motion to accept minutes as written by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay

# 7:04:33 PM Reorganization: Election Results read by Clerk of Elections

* **Swearing in of re-elected Commissioner, Michael White by Secretary George Frank**
* **Nominations for Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary**

**Chairman – Michael White, nominated by Raymond MacKay, seconded by George Frank**

**Treasurer – Raymond MacKay, nominated by Robert Sheairs, seconded by George Frank**

**Secretary – George Frank, nominated by Raymond MacKay, seconded by Michael White**

# 7:07:34 PM Public Portion (Agenda-related)

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any comments or questions on specific items listed on the Agenda only. Motion by Chairman White to open public portion (agenda related), seconded by Robert Sheairs

Motion to close by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank

# 7:08:00 PM Resolutions:

# Tabling of the following resolutions

Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 1 for One-Year Term (2023-20). Motion to table until April meeting by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 2 for One-Year Term (2023-21). Motion to table until April meeting by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 3 for One-Year Term (2023-22). Motion to table until April meeting by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 4 for One-Year Term (2023-23). Motion to table until April meeting by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

Officers are officers until 4/5 per Chairman White

1. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of South Jersey Federal Credit Union and Republic Bank as the Authorized Providers of Banking Services (2023-08). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
2. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Peter Frattarelli from the Law Firm of Archer and Greiner P.C. as the Authorized Provider of Legal Services for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2023-09). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
3. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Holt McNally and Associates as the Official Auditor for the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners (2023-10). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
4. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Inspira Medical Group and American Work Care as the Authorized Medical Services Providers for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2023-11). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
5. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of the Nottingham Insurance as the Authorized Provider of Insurance Services for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2023-12). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank
6. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of the South Jersey Times and Courier Post, as the Official Newspapers of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners and as the Authorized Providers of Newspaper Services for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2023-13). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
7. Resolution Establishing the Meeting Nights of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners. (2023-14). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
8. Resolution Establishing a Cash Management Plan for the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners. (2023-15). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
9. Resolution Certifying the Budget for 2023. (2023-16). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
10. Resolution Appointing Donna Scally as Clerk of Election for 2023. (2023-17). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
11. Resolution Approving Employment Agreement of Administrative Secretary. (2023-18) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded Raymond MacKay
12. Resolution Approving Employment Agreement of Clerk Typist. (2023-19). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

# 7:11:21 PM Chairman’s Agenda Items:

## Thanked everyone for voting and for supporting the budget

# Commissioner’s Agenda Items:

# Solicitor’s Agenda Items:

# 7:12:09 PM Reports:

## 1. Fire Marshal Report – read by Chairman White

## 2. Battalion Chief’s Report – given by Jason Kell

##  - Met with company for recruitment – waiting on prices. Should have by Wednesday’s work session

##  - School 3/26 – can we get in school to set up early?

##  - Replace battery on 930. Purchased on-board charger too

##  - 936 to Johnson and towers tomorrow morning for jake and exhaust

##  - Ladder class schedule for 3/15 for 936 (if truck is back)

## 3. Safety Report/Training – given by Robert V. Hill (reports attached)

# 7:30:38 PM Treasurer’s Report. Given by Raymond MacKay. Motion to accept by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

# 7:31:35 PM Resolution for Approval of Bills and Vouchers:

For payment ratification, including those items purchased under state Contract and identified as such and all trust and other accounts. (2023-24). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

# 7:33:37 PM Public Portion:

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any general comments or questions on all matters related to the Fire District. Motion to open by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

* Jason Kell, 9301 – questioned if fire department still rent the hydrants. Since Christmas, a hydrant at Tarpy and Leeman has had a cover on it. Mike will reach out to Stocklin (MUA). Kyle Adam stated that there are a lot of hydrants that are not working. Mike Barbato-Buckley stated that a hydrant at Princeton at pump station floods the area. After calling was told when they get to them, they will. Chairman White will forward info to MUA.

Motion to close by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay

# 7:36:39 PM New Business

## Video shoot at Gloucester County Fire Academy in the next few weeks by Communication Solutions per Chairman White

## BC Kell asked about sign. Working on it per Chairman White – asked for 4 different designs. Also working on newsletters.

# 7:37:49 PM Resolution for Commissioners to Convene in Executive Session. Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

# Executive Session (Commissioners)

# Return to Public Session

# Adjourn Meeting at 8:35pm

223562485v1