

FEBRUARY 14 WORKSHOP

MEETING LOCATION- 1766 UNION AVE., HAZLET- CAUCUS ROOM

The **WORKSHOP MEETING** was opened by **Chairman Les Parleman** at **6:30PM**

1. Hydrant Updates

The Department of Transportation is not authorizing a private hydrant on the highway for the Storage facility property. The district is not able to go into contract with the storage facility for annual maintenance costs. The storage facility will pay for install of the public hydrant the district will be responsible for the annual maintenance costs. A discussion regarding moving a hydrant was discussed with the board and the Fire Official Thomas Horner, decision the new public hydrant will be installed.

2. Resolutions-

a. 2024-003- LOSAP

- i. Contributions, emailed out and everyone said they were good with it. Went to the maximum amount allowed by the state. This will be for next year.

b. 2024-004 Executive Session

c. 2024-005 Reimbursement to Comm. Storcks for NJDMV

- i. Comm. Storcks had to put out the money for the title for HFC trucks, will need to be reimbursed for this.

3. Uniform/Incentive points- discussion moved to March meeting

4. New Apparatus – Ladder - Update

- a. Letter from HFC emailed to the Board. Comm. Parleman discussed having saving the board money. Discussion followed, Chairman Parleman stated that previous apparatus served town well, however there is a need for an increase in length and a pump on the new piece.
- b. Discussion, on size, Commissioner Malloy, disagreed on increase in size, town not growing. This would require 2 operators, and keep truck as short as possible.
- c. Discussion on operation of ladder with pump continued, with board.
- d. Storcks is reserving his comments for closed session, regarding financing etc.
- e. JJ, agrees increase length and have pump
- f. JC, agrees increase length and have pump
- g. Discussions followed

5. Past Emails

- a. Received from Chief Spirko all the email log ins so that is shut down.
- b. Comm. Parleman spoke to Pat Wood and he is not receiving any emails from any Vendors. Comm. Parleman discussed his conversation with the Board.

6. Officer Certs update –

- a. JC-gave report regarding new officer certs, missing NCVFC, will reach out via email
- b. Chief will be going in for surgery in February and will be out of service for several months, no physical work to be done, only paperwork and emails.

7. Update on gear purchases –

- a. Inotex finally returned called to Michelle and mentioned the order was never placed. That vendor is no longer a rep of Inotex and they have lawsuits against that vendor. Inotex stated would have new vendor reach out, as of today, has not heard back, discussion with attorney, the encumbered money can be transferred to new vendor because of circumstances and advise Chief.
- b. Discussion regarding gear spec.

8. New member application approvals-

- a. Lucas Schanck – HFC – needs new driver's license from New Jersey. Currently is in possession of a Florida driver's license, must have NJ license within 30 days. Application is reviewed, and in order. All approved this application.
- b. Member for NCVFC couldn't get in touch with the Dr., but has been seen since then.
 - i. Michelle stated in future have them reach out to her
- c. Another application to be discussed in closed session.

9. Correspondence-

- a. Hazlet Recreation is holding an Easter Bunny event just in the park. Email sent to all chiefs.
- b. Jersey Mikes sent coupons for subs as a thanks for the emergency responders.
- c. Yankee event is back this year, email sent to the chiefs if they want to purchase.
- d. Attorney memo regarding legislation for the useful life of apparatus, discussion followed.

10. Recruitment-

Comm. Storcks went to Raritan High School to speak to the children regarding recruitment to the fire companies via media, short video. Discussion followed- board approved video.

11. Board met with new applicant, Lucas Schanck

Chairman Parleman requests a motion to close the workshop at 7:30 pm

Offered Commissioner Storcks 2nd JJ Schroeck

All in Favor – AYE



Les Parleman, Chairman



Michael C. Storcks, Commissioner/Clerk

HAZLET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

The public meeting of February 14, 2024 was opened by Vice Chairman JC Schroeck at 7:35PM.

Salute to Flag followed by Moment of Silence

Vice Chairman JC Schroeck read the following statement:

This meeting is being held in conformance with the Open Public Meeting Act. Notice has been given to the newspapers on record, posted in the Municipal Building and filed with the Township Clerk. The next public meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held on March 13, 2024.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners

Commissioner Malloy- Present
Commissioner Storcks -Present
Commissioner JJ Schroeck -Present
Commissioner J.C. Schroeck-Present
Chairman Parleman- Absent

Other Professionals

Attorney – Joseph Falk - Present
QPA - Michelle Barney - Present
Township Chief – Craig Spriko - Absent
Deputy Chief – Robert Steiner - Present
Assistant Chief – William McCarron - Present
Fire Official – Thomas Horner - Present
Hazlet First Aid – Stephen Schmidt- Late 7:38

Financial report

Comm. JJ Schroeck submitted the attached financial reports indicating account balances. The report of account balances were read.

Commissioner JJ Schroeck- a Motion to approve the financial reports
Offered Commissioner Storcks 2nd Malloy

Roll call vote:

Commissioner JJ Schroeck yes No abstain Commissioner Malloy yes No abstain
Commissioner Storcks yes No abstain Commissioner JC Schroeck yes No abstain
Chairman Parleman yes No abstain- ABSENT

Commissioner JJ Schroeck presented a list of Operating and Fire Bureau bills to be paid, there are adequate funds in the accounts to pay the bills.

Commissioner JJ Schroeck - a motion to pay the bills
Offered Commissioner Malloy 2nd JC Schroeck

Roll call vote:

Commissioner JJ Schroeck yes No abstain Commissioner Malloy yes No abstain
Commissioner Storcks yes No abstain from 2024-034, 2024-061, 2024-067, Monmouth County
Commissioner JC Schroeck yes No abstain Chairman Parleman yes No abstain- ABSENT

Requisitions/purchase orders

QPA Michelle Barney:

- All equipment and equip. maintenance P.O.'s submitted. WKFC waiting on an order
- Discussed PPE orders, regarding state contract, price increase and change in vendors.

Correspondence-

Hazlet Recreation Easter event email sent to all chiefs.

Jersey Mikes sent coupons for subs as a thanks for the emergency responder as a thanks

Yankee event is back this year, email sent to the chiefs

Memo from attorney re: Legislation for the useful life of apparatus, regarding bonding leasing and reconditioning, has passed.

Old Business

Commissioner Storcks- registration is up to date

Chief's reports:

Township Fire Chief: Craig Spirko- ABSENT

1st Assistant Fire Chief: Robert Steiner

-I will be out of service from February 27 for several months. Capt. Scanlon will be taking charge.

-2-91 out of service for repair-back next week

-Rescue truck is at the garage getting PM'd

-Held PM on 2-79, pending sale

-Applications for membership, when they go to Michelle, a photo should be taken of the new member.

Michelle advised if anyone needs ID, email pic directly to her.

-JJ Schroeck- commented on spec for new gear, Chief stated waiting on spec and quote from Lion, and reaching out to MES

-Demo new training prop \$14-\$30 thousand, discussion followed.

-JJ Schroeck discussed budgeted line item for gear cleaning and inspection, wants it done this year. vendor discussion regarding the cleaning.

-JC question regarding fit testing schedule

- JC new officer, still waiting for his certificates to be submitted to Michelle.

-Storcks- training for Holmatro tools, scheduled March 3rd.

2nd Assistant Fire Chief: William McCarron

-Marine 39 out of service. Full service being completed

- Motors need replacement age 2005, discussion followed, quote approx. \$25-\$35 thousand, discussion regarding grant, quotes needed.

-3-81 was PM'd complete. Items need repair, tire replacement- discussion why not purchased last year, QPA informed no quotes or requests for replacement were received -go forward with quote.

-3-80 to go to Fire and Safety on March 4 now to be picked up March 11.- body work and service done-discussion followed

-Membership, Rondello is to be removed.

-Another application to be discussed in closed session.

-Another application is outstanding, just waiting to be submitted.

-Would like to meet with the other chiefs to discuss a 10-year plan for equipment, vehicles etc.

Discussion followed, no plan without inventory reminded this has been requested, and due by end of month.

JC requested any report from the HFC members- all stated nothing- Storcks reported HFC PM's completed.

Fire Official report Thomas Horner

-Year 2024 total inspections: - 73 commercial and 30 residential inspections.

-Fire Official vehicle out of service – tail light

-Laurel Avenue property visited with Prosecutors office, Fire Marshall's office, NJNG, Construct. official, and JCP&L. Hazlet PD is investigating. - Gave report on status of property

First Aid Report -Chief Steve Schmidt

- Sheriffs Dept. is taking over several towns in Monmouth County for EMS

HFC- Ned

Ned- spoke at this time for HFC, PM's done, 1-90 will be going out.

Chiefs met with gear manufacturer

New business:

- Comm. Storcks spoke about RHS media program, short video for recruitment, will work with fire companies to schedule.

New applications

Lucas Schanck- Hazlet Fire Company

A motion to accept Lucas Schanck as a volunteer Firefighter for Hazlet Fire District #1, as a member to Hazlet Fire Company.

Offered Commissioner D. Malloy 2nd JJ Schroeck

All in Favor – AYE

Resolutions

a. **Resolution 2024-002** Losap increase 2024-Michelle informed of increase

Vice - Chairman Schroeck, request a motion to approve Resolution

Offered Commissioner Storcks 2nd Malloy

All in Favor - AYE

Resolution 2024-004 Reimbursement NJDMV Commissioner Storcks

Vice – Chairman Schroeck, request a motion to approve Resolution

Offered Commissioner Malloy 2nd JJ Schroeck

Roll call vote:

Commissioner JJ Schroeck yes No abstain Commissioner Malloy yes No abstain

Commissioner Storcks yes No abstain Commissioner JC Schroeck yes No abstain

Chairman Parleman yes No abstain- ABSENT

Public Comments

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, each speaker will be given a maximum of 3 (three) minutes for public comment, when recognized by the Chairman.

Open to the public at 8:05 p.m.

NO COMMENTS

Closed to the public at 8:06p.m.

At 8:07pm, Vice Chairman JC Schroeck requested a motion for an Executive Session to handle personnel matters.

Resolution 2024-004 Executive Session

Vice-Chairman Schroeck, request a motion to approve Resolution 2024- 004
Offered Commissioner JJ Schroeck 2ndStorcks

Roll call vote:

Commissioner JJ Schroeck yes No abstain Commissioner Malloy yes No abstain
Commissioner Storcks yes No abstain Commissioner JC Schroeck yes No abstain
Chairman Parleman yes No abstain- ABSENT

Adjourn

Vice-Chairman Schroeck, request a motion to close the meeting at 9:18PM
Offered Commissioner Storcks, 2nd Commissioner Malloy
All in favor - AYE



JC Schroeck, Vice Chairman

Michael C. Storcks, Commissioner/Clerk

FEBRUARY 14 EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Executive Session:

In accordance with the Open Public meetings act, a resolution during the regular public meeting was voted to hold an executive session

Chairman L. Parleman	- Absent
Vice-Chairman J.C. Schroeck	- PRESENT
Treasurer J.J. Schroeck	- PRESENT
Clerk/Commissioner Storcks	- PRESENT
Commissioner Malloy	- PRESENT

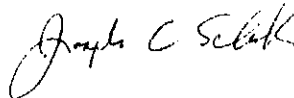
Also Attending:

Attorney Joseph Falk	- PRESENT
Michelle Barney, QPA	- PRESENT

The Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Any formal action to be taken will occur in the regular meeting.

At 9:15pm, Fire Commissioners returned to public meeting session.



JC Schroeck, Vice Chairman



Michael C. Storcks, Commissioner/Clerk