

**November 16, 2022**

**Town Hall  
1766 Union Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Hazlet, NJ 07730**

The **REGULAR MEETING** was opened by **Chairman Parleman** at **7:33PM**. **Chairman Parleman** led the **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**, followed by a **MOMENT OF SILENCE**. **Chairman Parleman** read the following statement:

In compliance with the **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT** of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner:

On September 21, 2022, advance written notice of this meeting was posted at Town Hall, 1766 Union Avenue, Hazlet, NJ;

On September 21, 2022 advance written notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press; and  
On September 21, 2022, copies of the advance written notice were mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice.

I direct the Fire District Clerk to enter into the minutes this announcement and the advance written notice of this meeting.

**Chairman Parleman** called for a **ROLL CALL**:

Commissioner JJ Schroeck	- PRESENT
Commissioner JC Schroeck	- PRESENT
Commissioner Lopez	- PRESENT
Commissioner Parleman	- PRESENT
Commissioner Sheldrick	- PRESENT
Rich Braslow	- PRESENT (via zoom)
Neil Braslow	- PRESENT (via zoom)
Michelle Barney, QPA	- PRESENT
Frank Oliva, Jr., Secretary	- ABSENT

Also Present:

Patrick Wood	- Township Chief
Edward Schmidt	- 1st Asst. Chief
Craig Spirko	- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief
Tom Horner	- Fire Official
Steve Schmidt	- First Aid

**A MOTION to APPROVE the MINUTES of the WORKSHOP, REGULAR AND EXECUTIVE SESSION** of the October 19, 2022 MEETING was offered by Commissioner Sheldrick and seconded by Commissioner JJ Schroeck. **All voted in favor.**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Calibration notice.
- Medical Essential Diagnostic – Mobile clinic will do blood pressure, stress testing, etc. Michelle elaborated. Comparable to the Capt. Buschio program that Deborah Hospital offers.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**NONE**

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Commissioner Sheldrick presented the **ATTACHED FINANCIAL REPORTS** indicating account balances. Commissioner JJ Schroeck **MOVED THE TREASURER'S REPORT BE APPROVED**. Commissioner Abe Lopez seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL voted in favor. Commissioner Sheldrick - Abstain**

Commissioner Sheldrick presented the **ATTACHED LIST of OPERATING ACCOUNT and FIRE BUREAU BILLS TO BE PAID**. Commissioner Abe Lopez moved the **OPERATING BILLS and FIRE BUREAU BILLS BE PAID**. Commissioner JJ Schroeck seconded the motion. **ALL voted in Favor.**

## **REQUISITIONS**

- Waiting on final requisition from the First Aid.

## **CHIEFS**

### **Township Chief Pat Wood**

- All parts are on order that were needed. Will schedule for the week after next to fabricate.
- All open purchase orders should be satisfied by the end of year.
- Still waiting for the generator to be fixed.

### **1st Assistant Chief Edward Schmidt, Jr.**

No report.

### **2nd Assistant Chief Craig Spirko**

- 1-90 will be
- Maintenance issues with 1-76 and 1-77 that can be pushed to next year. Discussed the issue still ongoing with the Brush truck.

## **FIRE OFFICIAL THOMAS HORNER**

- CCO = year to date 454
- Comm. Year to date - 849
- Work continuing at the Aldi and Burlington with shutting down sprinklers, Tom elaborated.

## **FIRST AID – STEVE SCHMIDT**

Update on the open PO. Steve explained the issue.

## **LOSAP**

The Board asked the chiefs to submit the report quarterly rather than yearly.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Rich Braslow will be retiring. Comm. Parleman and the Board thanked him for his service to the Board all these years. Rich is fazing himself out.

Comm. Parleman mentioned that after the election, Comm. JC Schroeck will be leaving the Board, the Board thanked him for his service during that time, and the Board presented him with his ex-commissioner meeting badge.

**AT THIS POINT (7:55pm)**, Commissioner JJ Schroeck **MOVED TO CLOSE THE REGULAR MEETING**, Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**

**AT THIS POINT (8:00pm)**, Commissioner JC Schroeck **MOVED TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING – CAPITAL PURCHASE** Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**

**Comm. Parleman** read the following:

Authorizing Public Hearing Relative to Capital Project

Hazlet Township Fire District #1 deems it necessary to purchase a Rescue System, extrication tools for The Hazlet Fire District #1, in the County of Monmouth, State of NJ, at a cost not to exceed \$80,000;

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 14-84 a public hearing shall be held by the Fire District to allow the public the opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed expenditures. NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the Fire District in the Township of Hazlet, County of Monmouth, as follows

1. A public hearing shall be held by Hazlet Township Fire District relative to the proposed expenditures for the purchase of a Rescue System, extrication tools, in amount not to exceed \$80,000, for Hazlet Fire District #1. The public hearing shall be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 8:00pm at Hazlet Township Municipal Building, 1766 Union Ave., Hazlet, NJ 07730

2. Copies of the Resolution are available to the general public of the Fire District from the date following publication of this notice up to and including the date of the meeting.

3. This Resolution shall be published and posted in accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey statute.

After the public hearing the Fire District may adopt the resolution authorizing the purchase of Rescue System, extrication tools, in an amount not to exceed \$80,000

**AT THIS POINT (8:02pm)** the public hearing was opened to the public.

Michael Storcks, 91 Fifth Street, West Keansburg, NJ

- Asked to elaborate on the purchase of the extrication tools, what type of tools needed?
  - Comm. Parleman noted that they will be some hydraulic tools and some battery operated tools. They are tools needed to extract anyone from a vehicle that is in an accident if needed.
- Do you currently have an inventory of equipment?
  - Michelle noted that each fire Company has that info and is provided to the board.
- Can the old tools be used by other Fire Companies?
  - Comm. Parleman said it is possible, but they are old. Chief Wood went on to elaborate.
- Can you look into other brands/manufacturer?
  - Michelle mentioned that they would have to go to state contract vendors.
- If you are going to allow up to \$80,000 do you think that the resolution should be adjusted to add modify the compartments to make sure the tools will fit properly?
  - Michelle noted that the resolution cannot be changed at this time, and if they wanted to change the resolution, there will have to be a new hearing date set.
- Thank you.

**AT THIS POINT (8:07pm)**, Commissioner Sheldrick **MOVED TO CLOSE THE HEARING – CAPITAL PURCHASE** Commissioner JJ Schroeck seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**

**AT THIS POINT (8:07pm)** the regular meeting was resumed.

**Introduction of the 2023 Budget by Michelle Barney, QPA**

Full budget hearing will be held on December 14, 2022 at 8:00pm

## RESOLUTIONS

- **2022-022 resolution to advertise for request for professional services**  
Commissioner JC Schroeck **MOVED TO APPROVE THE ABOVE RESOLUTION** for request for professional services. Commissioner Lopez seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**  
YES No Oppose
- **2022-023 Authorize Capital purchase**
- Commissioner Lopez **MOVED TO APPROVE THE ABOVE RESOLUTION** for Approval of 2023 Budget, Resolution Approval of 2023 Budget.  
Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.** YES No Oppose
- **2022-024 Closed Session**  
Commissioner Lopez **MOVED TO APPROVE THE ABOVE RESOLUTION** for request for professional services. Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.** YES No Oppose

## NEW APPLICATIONS

NONE AT THIS TIME

**AT THIS POINT (8:11pm) the MEETING WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW, EACH MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN A MAXIMUM OF 3 MINUTES TO SPEAK.**

William McCarron, 46 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Hazlet Township, NJ

- Mentioned that vehicle costs are skyrocketing and what is the Board doing about looking into the future purchase? Comm. Parleman explained further. The Board is working on having a substantial down payment when they do decide to make that purchase.

**AT THIS POINT (8:14pm) the MEETING WAS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**AT THIS POINT (8:14pm), Commissioner JC Schroeck MOVED TO GO TO EXECUTIVE SESSION,** Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**

**AT THIS POINT (8:20pm) THE BOARD CAME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

Commissioner JJ Schroeck **MOVED TO APPROVE Coming out of Executive Session.** Comm. Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.** No Oppose

Comm. Parleman mentioned that Comm. Lopez has resigned. His job is holding him back from doing his required fulfillment as commissioner. At this point the Board has a resolution to appoint JC Schroeck to fill the vacancy. Comm. Parleman read a statement from the Ethics committee.

**2022-025 resolution to appoint** JC Schroeck as Commissioner to fill the vacancy provided by Comm. Lopez' resignation. Commissioner JJ Schroeck **MOVED TO APPROVE THE ABOVE RESOLUTION** for request for professional services. Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.** YES Comm. JC Schroeck abstain

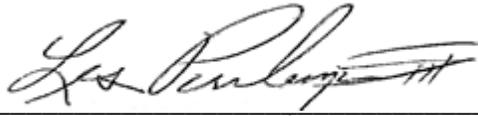
**AT THIS POINT (8:45pm), Commissioner JJ Schroeck MOVED TO GO TO EXECUTIVE SESSION,** Commissioner Sheldrick seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.**

**AT THIS POINT (9:09pm) THE BOARD CAME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

Commissioner JC Schroeck **MOVED TO APPROVE Coming out of Executive Session.** Comm. JJ Schroeck seconded the motion. **ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.** No Oppose

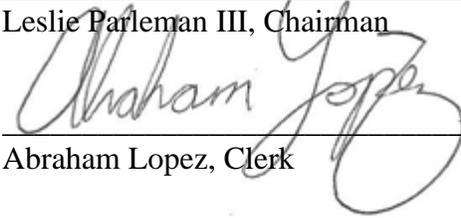
**At this point (9:12pm)** Commissioner Sheldrick **MOVED THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED**, Commissioner JJ Schroeck seconded the motion. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

The next scheduled meeting is December 14, 2022, starting at 6:15 pm with the Re-Org meeting, then followed by the Workshop meeting at 6:30pm.



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Leslie Parleman III, Chairman



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Abraham Lopez, Clerk