

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

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The Regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners Township of East Amwell District #1 was called to order at 7:30 PM. Present were Chairman Fisher, Vice Chairman Ward, Treasurer Chiesa, Secretary Jason and Commissioner LaRowe. This meeting was held at the Amwell Valley Fire House, John Ringo Road, Ringoes. Also present was Chief Williams and Auditor Schreck.

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chairman Fisher announced that notice of this regular meeting was posted on the Bulletin Board at the Amwell Valley Fire House and forwarded to the Township Clerk and Hunterdon County Democrat on December 26, 2013.

MINUTES of the December 11, 2013 meeting were approved as presented on motion by Mr. Chiesa, second by Mr. LaRowe and unanimous favorable vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT as attached and hereby made part of the minutes of this meeting was reviewed and accepted for filing on motion by Mr. Ward, second by Mr. LaRowe and unanimous favorable vote.

Reports of Receipts, Encumbrances and Disbursements as attached and hereby made part of the minutes of this meeting were reviewed.

TEMPORARY BUDGET: The following Resolution was adopted on motion by Mr. Chiesa, second by Mr. Jason and unanimous favorable vote.

Resolution

WHEREAS N.J.S.A.40A: 14-1et. Seq. authorizes the adoption of a Temporary Budget within the first thirty days of January to cover expenses from the beginning of the fiscal year until the adoption of the permanent budget by the legal voters of the fire district, which is scheduled for February 15, 2014, and

WHEREAS the total of the appropriations of the temporary budget may not exceed 14% of the total of the appropriations made for all purposes in the 2012 budget exclusive of appropriations for interest and debt redemption charges and capital improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners Township of East Amwell District #1 that the following appropriations constitute the Temporary Budget for 2013

Election	\$	400.00
Professional Services		1500.00
Advertising		150.00
Insurance		6000.00
Maintenance and Repair		8700.00

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Rent	2250.00
Supplies	200.00
Training and Education	300.00
Uniforms	3000.00
Health and Safety	2000.00
Utilities	2000.00
Purchase of Equipment	5000.00
Total	31500.00

BILLS as listed on the Disbursement sheet attached and hereby made part of the minutes totaling \$25,824.72 for 2013 and \$2,057.90 for 2014 were approved for payment on motion by Mr. Luster, second by Mr. Jason and unanimous favorable vote.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received signed Budget from State.

OLD BUSINESS: -

2014 Budget: Mr. Jason presented the affidavit of publication of the notice for this public hearing from the December 19, 2013 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat. He noted that approval has been obtained from the Division of Local Government Services for adoption of the budget with no changes.

Being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed on motion by Mr. Ward, second by Mr. LaRowe and unanimous favorable vote.

The 2014 Budget Resolution as attached and hereby made part of the minutes of this meeting was adopted on motion by Mr. Jason, second by Mr. Ward and unanimous favorable roll call vote. The budget will now be presented to the voters at the February 15, 2014 annual Fire District Election for approval.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Member: Motion to approve new member application for James Rizza was made by Mr. Jason, Second By Mr. Ward and unanimous favorable vote.

Engine 48: Motion to encumber \$2,000.00 (maintenance and repair) for repairs scheduled to begin January 22 2014 was made by Mr. Chiesa, second by Mr. Ward and unanimous favorable vote.

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Chiefs Report: The Chief requested the following items.

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| 1. Calibration gas for gas meters | \$50.00 Maintenance and Repairs |
| 2. Pair Bunker pants (Ward) | \$800.00 Uniforms |

Motion to approve requests by Mr. Chiesa, second by Mr. Jason and unanimous favorable vote.

Public Comments: Being no Public comments motion was made to close public portion by Mr. Jason, second by Mr. Chiesa and unanimous favorable vote.

Commissioners Comments: None

Being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned @ 7:58 on motion by Mr. Ward, second by Mr. LaRowe and unanimous favorable vote.

Robert J Jason Secretary