

**Board of Fire Commissioners
FIRE DISTRICT # 4
672 EAST MAIN STREET
BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 26, 2024**

Commissioner Kurdyla called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Carl Spolarich, Debbie Brightbill, Mijett Long, Sharon Fell, and Allen Kurdyla.
Finderne Fire Department: Chief Keith Binkley, Deputy Chief Fernandez, Capt. Ruscetta, President Steve Spolarich, and Administrator Jannone.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes from prior meeting May 29, 2024, accepted as presented.
Motion to accept by: S. Fell.
Second by: D. Brightbill.
Unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Attached)

Treasurer Spolarich read the Treasurers Report and is attached.
He reported a balance of \$1,179,168.09 in all District Accounts.
Motion to accept: M. Long.
Second by: S. Fell.
Unanimously approved.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

Treasurer Spolarich presented the bills which he had reviewed with Administrator Jannone.
The total of bills to be paid is \$ 31,152.93.
Bill list is attached to Treasurer's report.
Motion to pay the bills was made by: D. Brightbill.
Second by: S. Fell.
Unanimously approved.

CHIEFS REPORT:

38 calls, 545 Man Hours – Report attached.

- Alarm Activations – 17
- MV Accidents / Fire – 6
- CO Alarm – 1
- Culinary Mishaps – 3
- Smoke Conditions – 2
- Odor of Natural Gas – 1
- Elevator Alarm – 2
- Mulch Fire -1
- Mutual Aid Calls – 5

Apparatus:

No apparatus news or updates

Equipment:

- I am looking to get rid of several expired Scott air bottles as well as a few sets of gear that have reached life expectancy. A list of the equipment is attached. We had previously used the 911 fund to donate the equipment which is used by fire companies with limited funding.
- Attached is a list of all the outdated radio equipment which is no longer of use to the department. If you could reach out to the lawyer and determine what the process would be to remove it from the firehouse.
- ASKED BY Fire and Safety to use our Rescue 30 to go to Middlesex County college. Will also be a free training class for our firefighters that attend.

Motion to display Rescue 30 Middlesex County College for a seminar: C. Spolarich.

Seconded by: S. Fell.

All in favor: yes

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

None

FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT REPORT:

- New Member – None
- Resigning members – None
- Status changes – Alex Gillespie – corporate member.

Ex. Chief Mike Kelly from South Bound Brook passed away.

The company has accepted the letter regarding the exhaust system from the board.

Dedication went well.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Five Mile Beach Volunteer Fireman Association

Past due notice from Reliance Life Insurance Policy

The proposal from VFIS came in at \$12,000. Commissioner Kurdyla doesn't feel it is necessary to change policies currently.

OLD BUSINESS:

VFIS policy quote – \$12,000.00 – copy in correspondence.

NEW BUSINESS:

2024 Budget Resolution Approval

Motion to approve the resolution of the 2024 budget: C. Spolarich.

Seconded by: S. Fell.

All in favor - yes

ROLL CALL VOTE

Carl Spolarich - YES

Sharon Fell - YES

Debbie Brightbill - YES

Allen Kurdyla - YES

Mijett Long - YES

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:

Commissioner Fell the meeting to the public at 7:52 PM.

Motion by Commissioner: D. Brightbill.

Second by Commissioner: S. Fell.

Unanimously Approved.

Hearing none and seeing none.

Motion to close the meeting by: S. Fell.
Seconded by: C. Spolarich.
Unanimously approved at 7:54 p.m.

Adjournment

Chairman Fell asked if anyone had any other business to be heard.
Motion to close by: D. Brightbill.
Second by: S. Fell.
All in favor.
The meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mijett Long
Secretary