

Board of Fire Commissioners
Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills
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-REGULAR MEETING-

DATE: April 7, 2025

TIME: 8:03 PM

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners	Pres.	Abs.	Officers	Pres.	Abs.
John (Jack) J. Wieners	X		Chief S. Colantoni	X	
R. Greg Schneider	X		Dep. Chief M. Helmlinger	X	
John (Jay) J. Wieners III	X		Chief Engineer B. Dohm		X
Byron Tracey	X				
Brian Sysko	X				

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law by form of a legal notice, which appeared in the Daily Record on December 26, 2024 and was posted on the Fire District's website (www.lhfd4.com) as well as at the Lake Hiawatha Fire House.

MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETING:

Read by:	Comm. Jay Wieners
Motion to Accept:	Comm. B. Tracey
Seconded by:	Comm. B. Sysko
Carried	

CORRESPONDANCE:

- Finance Bid Package and related correspondence from Phoenix Advisors for new Tower Ladder Financing.
- Emails with Noah Metzgar, Nisivoccia, regarding logistics and required documents for 2024 Audit.
- Weekly Tower Ladder Construction Photo Updates
- Misc. Mailers and Catalogs
- Recommendation from Phoenix Advisors to award Finance Bid for new Tower Ladder to Flagstar Public Funding Corp.
- Draft Resolution from A. Bucco to award above mentioned Financing Bid, to be read under new business.
- Final Invoice for new Tower Ladder from Fire & Safety
- Information Sheet to be completed for Flagstar Public Funding Corp. and request for W-9

BILLS:

Read by:	Comm. G. Schneider
Motion to Pay Bills:	Comm. B. Tracey
Seconded by:	Comm. B. Sysko
Carried	

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Given by:	Chief S. Colantoni
Attached	

FIRES:

Day: 16
Night: 5
Total: 21

YTD: 74

INCIDENTS:

- March 1, 2025, Water Tender Fill Operation, S. Edwards Rd (Brush Fire)
- March 14, 2025, Garbage Truck Fire, Knoll CC East
- March 26, 2025, Residential Structure Fire, 25 Oneida Ave

NOTES:

- 3 New Probationary Firefighters
- Additional Applications sent out

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT:

Given by:
Attached

Dep. Chief M. Helmlinger

DRILLS:

Sun: 1st Co, Drill
Wed: Knoll Gardens Ventilation Drill
R.I.C.: Down Firefighter Removal from Basement
Other: Lt. Croat qualified on Engine 41, FF Ayton qualified on Rescue 44

EQUIPMENT:

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MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Given by:

Comm. Sysko

ENGINE 41:

- No Issues

LADDER 43:

- A/C Line drilled through, to be repaired by Fire & Safety
- Rear Step Light Replaced
- Light to be replaced in Engineer's Compartment

RESCUE 44:

- Strip lights beginning to burn out
- Glass and Bulb replaced on Light Tower

DEPUTY 4:

- A/C Service to be completed by Frank's Truck Repair

GENERAL:

- Initial estimate received for hose testing from Fail Safe, \$3,934.21.

ELECTRONICS REPORT:

Given by:

Comm. Tracey

- Spectrum to cover damages to Eng. 43 caused during radio installation.
- Township to be providing new Unication 700MHz pagers to units dispatched by Parsippany. Will monitor Parsippany and Morris County paging, response, and interop channels.

INSURANCE REPORT:

Given by:

Comm. Schneider

- Up to Date

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU:

Given by:

Chief. Colantoni

- Still at (2) Inspectors

PUBLIC HEARING:

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OLD BUSINESS:

- Continued discussion regarding Firehouse Rent Lease, major improvements.
- Tower Ladder 4 will complete construction later this week. Factory Inspection scheduled for April 15 and 16, 2025. Attending:
 - Chief S. Colantoni
 - Deputy Chief M. Helmlinger
 - Engineer M. Esposito
 - Comm. Jack Wieners
 - Comm. Jay Wieners
- Phoenix Advisors to finalize approval of financing with Local Finance Board
- Closing on Financing with Flagstar Public Funding Corp and on Tower Ladder with Fire & Safety should take place on or about May. 1, 2025.
- Confirmation of Tower Ladder Training by Mike Ciampo and RPI for Wed. Sept. 24, 2025 (in-house) and Sun. Sept. 28 (at Morris County Fire Academy).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

ATTACHED

Given by: Comm. G. Schneider
Motion to Accept: Comm. B. Sysko
Seconded by: Comm. B. Tracey
Carried

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

- \$296,515.00* (including payment for Engine 42)

MAJOR IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT:

- \$328,804.82** (\$15,000 due from line-item transfer)

NOTES:

NEW BUSINESS:

- Legal Notice for Finance Bidding (Tower Ladder) published in Daily Record on March 16, 2025.
- Financial Disclosure Statements to be completed by Board Members by April 30, 2025.
- Resolution 2025-11, awarding Financing Bid to Flagstar Public Financing Corp. for new Tower Ladder:
 - Motion: Comm. Jay Wieners
 - Second: Comm. Jack Wieners

MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
John J. Wieners, Jr.	X			
R. Greg Schneider	X			
John J. Wieners III	X			
Byron Tracey	X			
Brian Sysko	X			

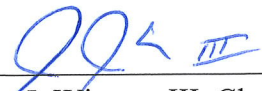
- Request for new tools for apparatus bays (\$399.99), Motion to approve, Comm. Schneider, 2nd, Comm. Jay Wieners, carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Made by:
Seconded by:
Carried

Comm. Schneider
Comm. B. Tracey

TIME: 8:59 PM



John J. Wieners III, Clerk