

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

DATE: Feb. 3, 2025

TIME: 8:09 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. G. Schneider
Seconded by:	Comm. B. Tracey
Carried	

CORRESPONDANCE:

- Election instructions from Morris County Board of Elections
- Follow-up proposal from Signal 5 Fire Apparatus for brokering sale of Engine 42
- Correspondence between Lt. Michael Ciampo (FDNY, ret.) and Scott Warner, RPI Training, for Tower Ladder Training class to be conducted later in year upon delivery of new Tower Ladder
- Legal advice from Anthony Bucco, Esq. indicating that the proposal for the brokering of Engine 42's sale from Signal 5 Fire Apparatus does not comply with New Jersey law governing the sale of real or personal property (NJSA 40A:12-13). Direct sale of apparatus to another government unit is permissible.
- Proofs from Election Graphics for Fire District Election Ballots
- Letter of Intent to purchase Engine 42 for \$180,000 received from the Community Volunteer Fire Company of Mahaffey (PA).
- Resolution from Anthony Bucco, Esq. authorizing the sale of Engine 42
- Misc. Mailers and Catalogs
- Voter list from Morris County Board of Elections

BILLS:

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

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Given by:
Attached

Chief S. Colantoni

FIRES:

Day: 19
Night: 4
Total: 23

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INCIDENTS:

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NOTES:

- First Due Reporting up and running, intermittent issues with CAD integration
- New IP Cameras installed in apparatus bays
- Liquid Church event Fri. Feb. 7, 2025
- NEMMAA Training night, Mar. 8, 2025
- MCPSTA Booked for Tower Ladder Training Class, Sept. 28, 2024
- Discussion regarding execution of Gary Sinise Grant purchases

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT:

Given by:
Attached

Dep. Chief M. Helmlinger

DRILLS:

Sun: SCBA Review and Fir Test
Wed: BBP/ Haz Mat/ RTK/ Sexual Harassment
R.I.C.: Annual Planning
Other: Driver Training ongoing

EQUIPMENT:

- Engine 42 decommissioned for pending sale.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Given by:

Comm. Sysko

ENGINE 42:

- OUT OF SERVICE PENDING SALE

LADDER 43:

- #2 Discharge Gauge Replaced
- Intake Relief Valve leaking when in pump
- 2 Portable Radios (driver side) not charging properly

CHIEF 4:

- Registration renewed

DEPUTY 4:

- Oil Change/ General Maintenance to be conducted Wed. Feb. 5, 2025

ELECTRONICS REPORT:

Given by:

Comm. Tracey

- Spectrum to remove radio equipment from Eng. 42 along with TIC Charger and Knox Box. APX Radio to be installed in Rescue 44.
- Motorola can likely upgrade old APX Mobile Radios from 400 to 700 MHz, if so, will place additional radios in Engine 41 and 43.

INSURANCE REPORT:

Given by:

Comm. Schneider

- Working with Liberty Mutual to determine who will be conducting Insurance Audit.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU:

Given by:

Chief. Colantoni

- Inspector Ukleya to be covering Dist. 6 area.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- None in attendance

OLD BUSINESS:

- Completion of Tower 4 expected late March, 2025; delivery April/May 2025.
- In process of booking Tower Ladder Operations Class with Lt. M. Ciampo (FNDY, ret), tentative dates Wed. Sept. 24 and Sun Sept. 28, 2025.
- Engagement letter to be signed and returned to Nisivoccia for 2024 Audit
- Gary Sinise Foundation grant awarded
- Finance Bid conference call scheduled for Wed. Feb. 5, 2025 with Phoenix Advisors, S. Rogut, Esq., M. Lee, and A. Bucco, Esq.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

ATTACHED

Given by:

Comm. G. Schneider

Motion to Accept:

Comm. B. Sysko

Seconded by:

Comm. B. Tracey

Carried

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

- Money on Hand, Jan. 31, 2025: \$

MAJOR IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT:

- Money on Hand, Dec. 31, 2024: \$

NOTES:

NEW BUSINESS:

- First Legal Notice for February 15, 2025 Fire District Elections published in Daily Record on Jan. 12, 2025.
 - Tower Ladder 4 has begun production at Pierce factory, Appleton, Wisconsin
 - Second Legal Notice for February 15, 2025 Fire District Elections published in Daily Record on Jan. 24, 2025.
 - Poll Workers for Election
 - All requisite information for elections sent to Morris County Board of Elections and Election Graphics.
 - Commissioners G. Schneider and Jack Wieners to submit candidate forms to New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Committee.
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- Reading of Resolution 2025-06: Gary Sinise Foundation Grant Acceptance

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			

- Reading of Resolution 2025-07: Sale of Engine 42

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			

- Reading of Resolution 2025-08: Designation of Depository of District Funds, 2025

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			

- Reading of Resolution 2025-09: Donation of Surplus Equipment

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			

- Discussion of 2025 Awards Reception

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Made by:
Seconded by:
Carried

Comm. G. Schneider
Comm. B. Tracey

TIME: 8:57 PM



John J. Wieners III, Clerk