

Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 2 was held on the above date at the Lenola Fire House. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Wesolowski. Three Commissioners were present, Commissioners Mann and Humes are absent. Also, in attendance were Chief Grant, F.O. Orsini, Chief's Assistant Wesolowski and Battalion Chief DiPaolo.

Wesolowski opened the meeting by reading the following statement in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act":

This meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 2 of The Township of Moorestown is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975. Pursuant to the "Act", on February 23rd, 2021 the required notice was transmitted to the *Burlington County Times*.

Additionally, the required notice was posted on the bulletin board, reserved for such notices, in the lobby of the Town Hall, 111 West Second Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057, on the bulletin board of the Moorestown Municipal Library, 111 West Second Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057 and on the bulletin board of the Lenola Fire House, 229 North Lenola Road, Moorestown, NJ 08057 and filed with the Clerk of the Township of Moorestown on this date.

Lastly, written notice was posted on the official website, MoorestownFireDistrict2.com on February 23rd, 2021 and mailed to each person who has requested copies of the schedule of meetings.

An affidavit certifying that the aforesaid delivery and posting of notices was prepared and signed by the Administrator.

Wesolowski called for a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for our departed members.

Oath of Office:

Administrator Knobbs administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Commissioners Lawrence F Niedermayer, Sr. and William J. Wesolowski for three-year terms on the Board of Fire Commissioners that ends March, 2024.

Nominations:

Wesolowski turned the meeting over to Administrator Knobbs, who handled the nominations of the Officers of the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Year ending February 28, 2021.

President- Commissioner Wesolowski was nominated for the office of President by a motion from Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Niedermayer. There being no question on the motion for Commissioner Wesolowski as President or further nominations, the nominations were closed. The motion for Commissioner Wesolowski for the office of President was carried by the three Board members present.

Commissioner Grant was nominated for the office of Vice President by a motion from Commissioner Wesolowski, seconded by Commissioner Niedermayer. There being no question on the motion for Commissioner Grant as Vice President or further nominations, the nominations were closed.

Commissioner Niedermayer was nominated for the office of Secretary by a motion from Commissioner Wesolowski, seconded by Commissioner Grant. There being no question on the motion for Commissioner Niedermayer as Secretary or further nominations, the nominations were closed.

Commissioner Humes was nominated for the office of Treasurer by a motion from Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Niedermayer. There being no question on the motion for Commissioner Humes as Treasurer or further nominations, the nominations were closed.

Commissioner Mann was nominated for the office of First Assistant Secretary by Commissioner Grant, Seconded by Commissioner Niedermayer. There being no question on the motion for Commissioner Mann as First Assistant Secretary or further nominations, the nominations were closed.

There being no contested nominations, President Wesolowski asked the Secretary to cast the ballot for the positions as they are uncontested.

Administrator Knobbs administered the Oath of Office for the President to William J. Wesolowski.

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On a motion by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Niedermayer, the minutes of the April 7, 2021 regular meeting were approved 3-0.

Chief's Report:

The Chief's report was filed and available for review in the Commissioners Drop Box. Chief Grant advised the board that the gear on order for Dan Blumke has been placed into service. The Covid restrictions are being relaxed. ISO has been in contact to review the water service. All hydrant flushing was completed by the township with no reported problems.

Chief's Assistant Report:

Chief's Assistant reported that the written report is in the drop box, also the Pump Testing has been completed with no reported problems.

Captain's Report:

The written report is available for review in the drop box. Battalion Chief DiPaolo listed the repairs done to apparatus for the month and the total fuel used.

Fire Official's Report:

1. Provided the inspection totals.
2. Penalty totals for the month were provided as well as False Fire Alarm Notices issued.
3. Zoning & Planning review totals.

President Wesolowski asked if the Review was for our District. Orsini replied no, it was for Lockheed Martin. Commissioner Grant inquired as to the progress on the new Dollar General. Orsini replied that there has been nothing new and he expects it will be some time before it begins.

Rental Manager's Report:

Hall Manager Orsini gave the following report for February:

1. There were three affairs held during the month.
2. There were five bookings during the month for 2021, and one for 2022.
3. There were 35 inquiries via phone and email

Commissioner Grant asked if we are seeing an increase in affairs since the restrictions are being eased. Orsini replied that they are slowly picking up, there are four affairs scheduled for May and more for June.

Squad Report:

Administrator Knobbs reported that there is a report for April 2021 in the Drop Box.

Bills:

The Statement of Expenditures, listing of bills to be paid in May were provided to the Board members for review prior to the meeting. Administrator Knobbs discussed the bills highlighted on said Statement and reported on bills received after the report was published. He further noted that there were routine bills that were due to be paid but not yet received.

There being no further questions or comments on the bills, a motion by Commissioner Niedermayer, seconded by Commissioner Grant to pay the May bills and any regular bills that come in was approved by the three commissioners present.

Communications:

President Wesolowski reported he is in receipt of a letter from Fire Official Orsini requesting that the office be allowed to work a summer schedule. Wesolowski stated that this has been the practice for the past several years and asked what the boards pleasure was. Motion by Commissioner Niedermayer, seconded by Grant to allow the summer schedule was approved by the three commissioners present.

Old Business:

1. 2020 Audit: Administrator Knobbs reported that this is ongoing. Knobbs reported that the state has changed the submission of the audit from manual to being submitted through the FAST System.
2. Budget/Election Recap- Administrator Knobbs reported that the budget has passed. There were 34 persons that voted in person on the machine, 92 persons voted by absentee/mail in ballots for a total of 126 persons voting. The final totals were:

Budget: 91 Yes 25 No 116 Total votes cast

Commissioners:

Wesolowski 108 votes

Niedermayer 106 votes

The county certification letter was received and the State Certification was submitted online through the FAST System.

The mailed tax certification letters were mailed.

New Business:

None

Meeting opened to the public:

There being no further questions or comments from the public, this portion of the meeting was closed.

President Wesolowski announced that there was no need to have an Executive Session.

The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday June 2, 2021.

There being no further business to come before the Board, by Proper Action, meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen W. Knobbs
Board Administration