

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS,
TOWNSHIP OF UPPER; DISTRICT #3**

August 15, 2022

A meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Upper, District #3 was held on August 15, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. at the Marmora Volunteer Fire Company on Old Tuckahoe Road in Marmora, NJ. Commissioners **Paul Hoster, Doug Snyder, Kurt Austin, Jeff McAfee** and **Jeff Pierson** were present. Also present were **Tonya DeVita representing Cheryl Ward, CPA**, Accountant and Recording Secretary to the Board; **Jay Newman**, Chief of the Marmora Volunteer Fire Company; and **Jon Batastini, Esq.** Solicitor.

The meeting was opened by **Jon Batastini** who read the appropriate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.

As the first order of regular business, the Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the prior meeting, held July 18, 2022.

Ms. DeVita presented a financial report, including a list of checks to be approved, signed, and distributed. Two additional bills for AT&T and Cody's were presented and approved. The Board reviewed financial report including an analysis of the current year to date income and expenses relative to the budget.

Mr. Batastini discussed his research with regards to consolidation of the Fire Districts of Upper Township. For now, the Board will just keep it on the radar.

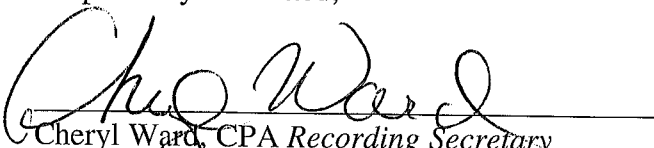
Mr. Newman advised that the new Expedition fit out has been completed. The Board now has a Corp Code so the truck can be transferred into its name. Mr. Newman also discussed the rising costs and wait times for repairs and equipment. He noted that the 2023 budget line item for Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance will need to be increased. The vehicles need tires, and the rescue is being fitted for LED lighting. The Board also touched on a long-term savings plan for Capital Assets due to rising costs and delivery issues.

Mr. Newman discussed that the first stipends have been released to the fire fighters who qualified. Marmora VFC will issue an invoice to the Board for reimbursement.

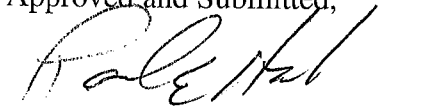
Mr. McAfee mentioned that he is moving out of Fire District #3 and that he will be resigning from the Board when that time comes.

Ms. DeVita reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. and that meeting will be the workshop for the Budget 2023. There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Ward, CPA Recording Secretary

Approved and Submitted,


Paul Hoster, Chairman