# MINUTES TOMS RIVER FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT NO. 1 OCEAN BEACH FIRE COMPANY August 4, 2021

Commissioner Convery called a regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a Salute to the Flag. A moment of silence was observed. The following statement was made:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act by notice being posted in the Municipal Building, 33 Washington Street, Toms River; being filed with the municipal clerk and being transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and Star Ledger and to all persons who have requested copies in accordance with statute.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Autenrieth – present

Latshaw -present

Tutela – present

Minkler-present

Convery – present

Administrator Kubiel and Attorney Cipriani were present. Bisceglie present to take minutes

**BIDS** - None

#### APPROVING THE MINUTES

Motion Autenrieth second Latshaw to approve the July 7, 2021 regular minutes providing a copy is made available for inspection by the public during this meeting.

Aves - 5 Navs - 0

**CARRIED** 

<u>ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT</u>- Lauren Holman from Holman, Frenia & Allison addressed the board with the annual audit report for 2020. After thorough review of the financial records it was determined there were no problems or weaknesses significant enough that would affect the ability to express an opinion on the financial statements as a whole.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

**COMMUNICATION** – No report

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU - No report

FIRE ACADEMY – Latshaw stated the roof line repair has been inspected and approved. Obtaining several quotes for different projects.

**INSURANCE**—Progress

POLICE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - No report

#### **LEGISLATION** – No report

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND MAYOR – Kubiel stated there have been several news articles written that Mayor Hill has been in discussion with Fire District No.1 as it relates to per-diem firefighters on the barrier island. Kubiel wanted it noted that there has been no such discussion. VEHICLE REPAIR/NEW APPARATUS – Tutela stated Station 27's boat should be delivered within the next couple weeks.

#### FIRE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION- No report

#### ADMINISTRATOR KUBIEL REPORT - Kubiel stated:

- 1. The truck report has been placed in the folders for review.
- 2. The SCBA fit testing must be done by September 24<sup>th</sup> for all the active members.
- 3. Ocean Beach's new boat should be here August 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>. Requesting to authorize payment in between meetings.
- 4. Co.2 firefighters are due for their physicals this year. Monica will be sending each firefighter the physical package via email.

#### ATTORNEY REPORT - No report

#### **REPORTS OF FIRE OFFICERS**

<u>DISTRICT CHIEF E. SEAMAN-</u> Seaman stated the new zoning policy seems to be working well. Work in progress and some minor tweaking has been done. Thanked all again for their input and help.

CO. 1 ASST CHIEF SIMONE JR. – Simone stated busy month. They were the first to activate the new second alarm policy and it went well. Emailed both Sahatjian and Hafner thanking them. Activated the technical rescue team which also went well. Past Chief Flynn is back in the hospital in Florida. Members of Company No.1 built a ramp for member Chris O'Shaughnessy at his house.

<u>CO. 2 CHIEF CIRZ</u> –Kubiel stated Chief Cirz notified him he could not attend and no other line officers were available.

<u>CO. 3 CHIEF CALVO</u> – Calvo stated pancake breakfast is labor day weekend. Hosting a blood drive September 9<sup>th</sup> from 1p.m. to 7p.m. Would like to recognize Dispatcher Mesina for an excellent job in response to two recent calls. He realized there was a discrepancy in a call and was able to adjust the call accordingly. Convery asked that the board's condolences be sent to Chief McIntyre, his wife has passed away. Calvo also advised the board Gary Alston is in hospital and should be released soon.

<u>CO.4 CHIEF CATAPANO</u>—Catapano stated busy month with water calls, all agencies involved in the speedboat flipping did an amazing job with the conditions they were working under. Pulled four individuals out of the bay after jumping off the bridge.

<u>ISLAND HEIGHTS</u> – Progress

**SEASIDE HEIGHTS** –Progress

<u>FIRE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION</u> – Simone Jr. stated a meeting this month, retention and standardization was discussed.

REMOVALS FROM THE ROLLS- Patrick Beebe-Reynolds Co.2

Motion Tutela second Autenrieth to remove Patrick Beebe-Reynolds from the rolls with regrets.

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 CARRIED

Convery said with sad regrets that he is leaving the fire service.

<u>APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP</u>- James Sarafino, Fire police Co.3 and Kevin Lozano Co.2.

Joseph Chowanec Co.1, Jorge Gueuara-Martinee Co.1 and Raul Santillian Diaz Co.1 pending completion of their application process. James Serafino was sworn in.

Motion Tutela second Autenrieth to accept James Serafino Co.3, Firepolice and Kevin Lozano Co.2 as firefighter.

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 CARRIED

Motion Tutela second Autenrieth to accept Joseph Chowanec Co.1, Jorge Gueuara-Martinee Co.1 and Raul Santillian Diaz Co.1 pending completion of application process.

Ayes -5 Nays -0 CARRIED

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

<u>AUDITOR APPOINTMENT-</u> Minkler stated this was tabled at the June and July reorganization meeting until he was able to get answers to several questions by the Administrator. He feels confident in moving forward with Autenrieth's motion from last month for appointing Holman Frenia & Allison Motion Minkler second Autenrieth to appoint Holman, Frenia and Allison as Auditors for 2021/22.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Latshaw-Yes Tutela-Yes Autenrieth-Yes Minkler-Yes Convery-Yes

**CARRIED** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>RESOLUTION ACCEPTING 2020 AUDIT</u> A resolution was presented, Motion Autenrieth second Tutela certifying that each commissioner has personally reviewed the 2020 annual audit and accepting same (See inserted resolution)

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Latshaw-Yes Tutela-Yes Autenrieth-Yes Minkler-Yes Convery-Yes

**CARRIED** 

<u>AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR BOAT-</u> Motion Tutela second Autenrieth to authorize Administrator Kubiel to issue payment to Safe Boats International in the amount of \$494,219.89 upon delivery and inspection of boat.

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 CARRIED

#### **BILLS**

Motion Autenrieth second Latshaw to approve the bill list for August 4, 2021 (See Inserted List )

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 CARRIED

<u>PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC-</u> Gary Simone Sr asked if the fire election will be moved. Kubiel stated statutorily it moves back to February but with this COVID flare things may change. Simone Sr. also stated that District No.2 is sending out invoices for fire calls and collecting a substantial amount of money and asked if District No.1 has looked into this. Kubiel stated they

have been in touch with Local Government Services to get all information needed to see if this is something that can be done.

#### Andy Goresh:

- 1. Stated at the April meeting Chief Simone had asked about pagers that they are running in a depleted service. Has there been any movement on this? Kubiel answered yes.
- 2. Asked how many internal and external lawsuits is the board currently involved with? Attorney Cipriani answered to the best of her knowledge there are two if you include the Government Records Council but it may be down to just one. Pending litigation cannot be discussed at this time.
- 3. What are the lawsuits that have been settled in the past year? Cipriani stated she is not sure but can make that available if requested.
- 4. Has the MUA contract been settled for IT? Kubiel answered the contract has been signed.
- 5. There was a homeland security grant awarded for \$22,000 what was that for? Kubiel stated it is a grant awarded from the county for technical rescue.
- 6. Any information on the security breach? Kubiel stated it has been completed and there has been no widespread breech of our system.
- 7. Has the board been asked to return any FEMA payment? Kubiel stated as part of the Superstorm Sandy loan that was required the board applied for and received approximately 1.5 million and were directed by FEMA to repay \$400,000 and that has been completed.

Dan Goresh- He asked if there was a plan for Station 27's old boat. Kubiel stated he has not met with the apparatus committee yet but will be discussing what the best options are.

PRIVATE EXECUTIVE SESSION- Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege and legal advice: Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is require in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer. Formal action may be taken.

Personnel/contracts

Litigations

Motion Autenrieth second Minkler to go into closed session @ 7:43 p.m.

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 CARRIED

Motion Tutela second Autenrieth to go into open session @ 8:48 p.m.

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 CARRIED

Motion Autenrieth second Tutela to increase Part-time radio technician hourly rate to \$30.00 per hour effective immediately.

Ayes - 5 Nays -0 CARRIED

There being no further business, motion Autenrieth second Latshaw to close the meeting @ 8:50 p.m.

Ayes - 5 Nays -0 CARRIED

Respectfully submitted Leonard Minkler, Clerk

## RESOLUTION CERTIFYING EACH COMMISSIONER HAS PERSONALLY REVIEWED THE ANNUAL AUDIT AND HAS EVIDENCED SAME BY GROUP AFFIDAVIT IN THE FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

#### August 4, 2021

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-15 requires the governing body of each local authority to cause an annual audit of its accounts to be made; and

WHEREAS, the annual audit for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, has been completed and filed with the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Toms River Township, Ocean County, New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-15; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17 requires the governing body to each authority to, within 15 days of receipt of the annual audit, certify by resolution to the Local Finance Board that each member whereof has personally reviewed the annual audit and has evidenced same by group affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Toms River Township hereby certifies to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that each governing body member has personally reviewed the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 and has evidenced same by group affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk of the authority is hereby directed to promptly submit to the Local Finance Board the aforesaid group affidavit, accompanied by a certified true copy of this resolution.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2021.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Leonard Minkler, Clerk of the Toms River Township Fire Commissioners District No. 1, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted at its meeting held on August 4, 2021.

LEONARD MINKLER, CLERK

8-4-21

DATE

August 4, 2021 02:40 PM

### TOMS RIVER TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #1 2021 Purchase Order Listing By Expenditure Account

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P.O. Type: Contract Print Perpetual, Revenue, & G/L Accounts: N Open: N Void: N Paid: Y Format: Condensed Held: N Aprv: N Rcvd: Y

Range: 01- -111-05 -001 to 01- -140-05 -001 Bid: Y State: Y Other: Y Exempt: Y Rcvd Batch Id Range: First to Last Paid Date Range: 07/26/21 to 07/26/21 Include Non-Budgeted: Y

Prior Year Only: N

Department Page Break: No Subtotal CAFR: No Subtotal Department: No Subtotal Extd: No

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Expend Account Vendor	Description	P.O. Id P.O. Descript	ion	Amount	Void Amount	РО Туре
01112-05 -024 B0074 BENECARD SE U0046 UNITED HEAL U0047 UNITED HEAL H0110 HORIZON BLU H0033 HARTFORD IN	HEALTH BENEFI RVICES, INC. THCARE INS. CO. THCARE INSURANCE C E CROSS/BLUE SHIEL SURANCE COMPANY	TTS/DISABILITY 21-00607 07/21 PRESCRIM 21-00642 08/21 INS. CUS 0 21-00643 08/21 INS. EMM D 21-00647 08/21 HEALTH 21-00670 08/21 INSURANCE	PTION PLAN#1319 STOMER #04P2972 PLOYER #25283 CE GROUP #680338	4,133.42 123.20 343.21 15,332.59 420.65 20,353.07	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	
01112-05 -027 S0220 SPECIALTY B		VICE AWARD 21-00611 LOSAP 3RD PAYM	MENT 2021 1	28,786.25	0.00	
01113-01 -063 M0119 MID-ATLANTI		S 21-00415 HOSE CO#2		1,420.00	0.00	
01113-02 -064 A0099 ALL HANDS F		MENT 21-00555 EQUIP. CO#2		1,175.00	0.00	
01113-03 -064 D0112 DIVERS TWO	TOOLS & EQUIP	MENT 21-00527 EQUIP. CO#3		346.92	0.00	
01113-03 -068 D0112 DIVERS TWO		21-00527 EQUIP. CO#3		2,049.08	0.00	
01113-04 -064 M0090 MES INC.	TOOLS & EQUIP	MENT 21-00634 EQUIP. CO#4	1	12,193.00	0.00	
01113-04 -065 M0090 MES INC.	TOOLS & EQUIP	BIG 21-00634 EQUIP. CO#4	1	17,500.00	0.00	
01113-08 -069 T0002 TACTICAL PU		21-00556 RADIO EQUIP. D	IST 1 & REPAIR	6,510.00	0.00	
01114-05 -101 N0007 N.J. AMERICA S0337 SUEZ WATER		21-00626 06/21 HYDRANTS 21-00665 07/21 ACCT#044	027649000002	8,456.00 0,903.56 19,359.56	0.00	
01119-01 -274 M0080 MERIDIAN OCC T0075 THE STRESS C	PHYSICALS CUPATIONAL HEALTH CENTER, P.C.	21-00646 STAPLES, STALOW 21-00649 EVALUATIONS		668.00 247.00 915.00	0.00 0.00	
01119-05 -271 H0098 HOLMAN,FRENJ	AUDITOR A,ALLISON P.C.	21-00691 2020 AUDIT INV	<b>#</b> 50145	500.00	0.00	

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Expend Ac Vendor	ccount	Description	P.O. Id	P.O. Description	Amount	Void Amount	РО Туре
01119 R0080 R0127	9-05 -272 RICCIO, ARMANDO ROTHSTEIN, MAND	LEGAL ) LLC DELL, STROHM,	21-00660 21-00689	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	133.00 11,618.00 11,751.00	0.00	
	0-05 -311 GANNETT NEW JER		21-00620	CONTRACTS, MTGS., EMPLOYMENT ADS	117.80	0.00	
01123 B0012 K0150	B-05 -416 BANK OF AMERICA KUBIEL, BRIAN	DUES/SUBSCRIPT	TIONS 21-00663 21-00681	PROCUREMENT CARD PURCHASES REIMB. NOTARY EXPENSES	19.00 45.00 64.00	0.00	
	-08 -416 MOTOROLA SOLUTI			APX DOWNLOAD	299.00	0.00	
01123 B0012	-10 -416 BANK OF AMERICA	DUES & SUBSCRI	PTIONS 21-00663	PROCUREMENT CARD PURCHASES	869.42	0.00	
	-01 -449 TOMS RIVER FITN			PHYSICAL FITNESS	325.00	0.00	
01126 T0175 B0141 00059 P0148	-01 -529 TOWNSHIP OF TOM BOROUGH OF LAVA OCEAN GATE YACH POINT BAY FUEL,	FUEL S RIVER LLETTE T BASIN LLC	21-00608 21-00621 21-00682 21-00690	6/21 FUEL DIST#1 06/21 FUEL FUEL 7/21 FUEL ACCT#104124	793.94 299.31 153.12 352.60 1,598.97	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	
01126 T0002	-08 -533 TACTICAL PUBLIC	BATTERIES SAFETY	21-00556	RADIO EQUIP. DIST 1 & REPAIR	190.00	0.00	
	-01 -567  RACKSPACE US, II  4X TECHNOLOGIES  OPTIMUM  VERIZON WIRELES!	NC. , LLC	21-00622 21-00644 21-00657	EMAIL JUN ACCT#030-34971557175 07/21 SERVICES DIST#1 07/21 ACCT#07867-114249-01-2 ACCT#320580493-00001	407.80	0.00	
R0012 F0171 C0149	-05 -567  RACKSPACE US, IN  4X TECHNOLOGIES  COMCAST CABLE  VERIZON WIRELESS	NC. , LLC	21-00622 21-00644 21-00656	EMAIL JUN ACCT#030-34971557175 07/21 SERVICES DIST#1 ACCT#8499 05 194 0622198 ACCT#320580493-00001	241.70 234.99 291.52 38.01 806.22		
A0099	-01 -606 ALL HANDS FIRE E UPS	EQUIPMENT	21-00555		15.00 49.36 64.36	0.00	

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Expend Account Vendor	Description	P.O. Id P.O. Description	Amount	Void Amount	РО Туре
01128-05 -607 W0004 W.B. MASON CO B0012 BANK OF AMERI	OFFICE SUPPL: ., INC.	ES/SHIPPING 21-00640 SUPPLIES DIST#1 21-00663 PROCUREMENT CARD PURCHASES	101.83 <u>973.62</u> 1,075.45		
01129-01 -648 P0220 PRESTIGE AUTO J0014 J & R PRO AUT E0004 E.R.S. FLEET E0004 E.R.S. FLEET	VEHICLE REPAI SPA OMOTIVE REPAIR, INC. REPAIR, INC.	R 21-00625 CAR WASH 21-00655 2810, 2600 21-00661 2501,2624,2701,2801,11 21-00688 2609,24,2705,21,2811	6.47 1,787.01 3,616.86 4,754.84 10,165.18	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	
01129-01 -649 E0194 ESI EQUIPMENT U0049 UNITED RENTAL	EQUIPMENT REF , INC. S, INC.	AIR 21-00511 SERVICE AGREEMENT CO#1 21-00653 REPAIR LIGHT TOWERS	2,049.00 864.00 2,913.00	0.00	
01129-01 -652 M0090 MES INC.	SCOTTS REFILL	/REPAIR 21-00686 SCBA FLOW TEST DIST#1	10,659.38	0.00	
01129-01 -653 A0085 AISH FIRE PRO	EXTINGUISHER TECTION CO.	REFILL/REPAIR 21-00616 EXTINGUISHERS DIST#1	1,506.50	0.00	
01129-01 -654 A0076 AIR & GAS TECH		ENANCE 21-00671 2021 MAINT. CONTRACT DIST#1	4,435.00	0.00	
01129-05 -655 A0046 ADVANCED MONE' S0300 STEWART BUSING	Y SYSTEMS, LLC	ERVICES 21-00614 SERVICE SHREDDER 21-00624 COPIER MAINT. DIST#1	225.00 344.21 569.21		
	TIONS, INC.	PARTS 21-00504 EQUIP. CO#3 BOAT 21-00556 RADIO EQUIP. DIST 1 & REPAIR			
01130-05 -290 P0070 PAYCHEX INC. K0103 KRONOS, INC.	PAYROLL SERVI	21-00678 07/21 PAYROLL 21-00680 WORKFORCE 06/21 INV#11785586	548.30 241.08 789.38	0.00 0.00	
01131-05 -730 A0023 ACTION UNIFORM	TESTIMONIALS COMPANY	21-00416 AWARD PINS	1,196.00	0.00	
01134-01 -751 CO210 COUNTY OF OCEA	OPTICOM 2020 N	21-00623 OPTICOM INSTALLATION	1,247.77	0.00	
	Fund Total:		274,270.83		
otal Charged Lines: 10	6 Total List A	mount: 274,270.83 Total Void Amoun	nt: 0.00		

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Totals by Year-Fur Fund Description	nd Fund	Expend Total	
	1-01	274,270.83	
	Total Of All Funds:	274,270.83	

#### FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED

FROM:	CK#:	FOR:	<b>AMOUNT:</b>
Edison Twp.	22750	Fire Academy fees	150.00
Toms River Fire Dist#2	1028	Joint bills 6/21	72,279.01
Bureau of Fire Prevention	261	Revenue 6/21	36,502.40
Jackson Dist#4	6608	Fire Academy fees	1,000.00
Ocean Grove	5331	Fire Academy fees	2,000.00
Lakewood Fire Dist#1	21618	Fire Academy fees	1,550.00
Toms River Joint Board	33060	Postage	39.75
Jackson Dist#3	5981	Fire Academy fees	3,000.00
Borough of Lavallette	37478	Fire Academy fees	1,000.00
Selective Insurance	11301538	Deductible #127 claim	500.00