



*City of Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners District #1*  
*230 North Main Street*  
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*Nate Waldron, Chair*  
*Robert Hayes, Vice Chair*  
*Julie von Uffel, Treasurer*  
*John Bregartner, Secretary*

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**January 16, 2024**  
**MONTHLY MEETING**

The make-up meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Waldron at 7:00 p.m. with a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice to The Trenton Times, The Hunterdon County Democrat, City Hall Bulletin Board, and various individuals.

**Swearing in of New Commissioner John Bregartner**

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioner von Uffel was absent.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Waldron.

**MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes to approve the minutes from December 19, 2023 and seconded by Commissioner Bregartner. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

- Chair Waldron presented the Treasurers Report. The total in checking account is \$394,286.27 and savings is \$29,983.42. Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and Commissioner Bregartner seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Vice Chair Hayes requested an update on the status of shredding old documents and the repair of filing cabinet lock. Chair Waldron will send an email to Robin for updates and next steps needed.
- The Commissioners will adopt 2024 under new business and once the new budget is adopted and uploaded with the state the commission will transition to the new accounting firm.
- Chair Waldron recommended that we hold off on reviewing the building appraisal in closed session since Commissioner von Uffel was absent.

### **CHIEFS REPORT**

- There were 31 calls reported.
- The 1990 Pierce Lance Tanker was delivered and due to unforeseen mechanical issues, the truck was towed to Penn Diesel for repairs. All expenses will be covered by New Hope Fire Co or Veolia Water Co.
- The Chief requested the board review 3 new per diem fire fighters for hire. Vice Chair Hayes inquired if all applicants had updated certifications that meet our standards. Chief Barlow confirmed all applicants' certifications were up to date. Topic will be voted on under new business.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Chief Barlow inquired the status of the IRS address changed from PO box to physical location. Chair Waldron will follow up with Pavan at Lear & Pannepacker
- Chair Waldron will email Pavan from Lear & Pannepacker on the status of the Workers Comp Audit with the state.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to pass Resolution 24-112 for the hiring of Jacob Nienow, Mathew Fry, Kevin Dougherty. Their background checks have been completed and they have proper training. Commissioner Bregartner seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- 2024 Budget resolution was presented Commissioner Bregartner made a motion to approve the 2024 budget Vice Chair Hayes seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES. Budget will be sent to Pavan and Lear & Pannepacker to be uploaded with the state.
- Chair Waldron asked if the chief could purchase a new filing cabinet for the commission Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to approve and Commissioner Bregartner seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Chair Waldron appointed a subcommittee of Commissioner Bregartner and Commissioner von Uffel to represent the commission as we begin discussion with the Union Fire Co. on the sale of the building. Chair Waldron will send Don Hart an email informing him of the subcommittee.
- Commissioners will have a working session on Feb 5 at 7pm, Robin will publish the information in accordance with the public meetings act.
- Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to pass resolution 24-113 to authorize the acceptance of donation of a 1990 Pierce Lance Top Mount Pumper for the benefit of the fire district, Commissioner Bregartner seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

There was no audience participation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Waldron made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bregartner, a voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSED.

The Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will take place on February 20, 2024.