



City of Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners District #1

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Jack Ludwig, Commissioner
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October 19, 2021 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

A regularly scheduled videoconference meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Lechner at 6:07 p.m. with a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, noticing The Trenton Times, The Hunterdon County Democrat, City Hall Bulletin Board, and various individuals.

ROLL CALL

In attendance, via videoconference, were Vice Chair Lechner, Commissioner Ludwig, Commissioner Zappacosta-Romano. Absent was Chairman Komjathy and Commissioner McManus-Keyes.

Also present were Board Attorney Richard Braslow and Neil Braslow and Accountant Joe Marcucci.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chairman Lechner.

CLOSED MEETING

There was not a necessity for a closed meeting session this month.

MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ludwig to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Zappacosta-Romano, and with a voice vote, MOTION PASSED. Absent was Chairman Komjathy and Commissioner McManus-Keyes.

BILLS

A motion was made by Commissioner Zappacosta-Romano to approve the bills for the evening, seconded by Commissioner Ludwig, and with a voice vote, MOTION PASSED. Absent was Chairman Komjathy and Commissioner McManus-Keyes.

REQUISITIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner Zappacosta-Romano to approve the requisitions presented for the evening, seconded by Commissioner Ludwig, and with a voice vote, MOTION PASSED. Absent was Chairman Komjathy and Commissioner McManus-Keyes.

COMMISSION ITEMS

A letter was received from Union Fire that FEMA is done using the meeting room and Union Fire will be cleaning it and restoring it back to its original use.

The following Resolutions were presented: 2020 Audit, Authorizing Award of Contract for Insurance Coverage, and Acknowledging Firematic Activity During Hurricane Ida. Commissioner Ludwig made a motion to approve as read and Commissioner Zappacosta-Romano seconded, and with a voice vote, ALL RESOLUTIONS PASSED. Absent was Chairman Komjathy and Commissioner McManus-Keyes.

CHIEF'S REPORT

The Chief's report is attached. Hurricane IDA lasted 10 days as recorded by National Weather and FEMA. IDA calls were not compiled with regular calls. There was an influx of alarms due to power outages and alarm systems coming back on.

Chief Barlow will submit to FEMA for minimal equipment damage and increased payroll costs.

A boat will be well served for the Fire District after Hurricane Ida and with the bodies of water in the responding area.

FEMA granted \$16,900 for COVID expenses. The application was for \$20K and it was thought the amount was for \$18K, but it was for \$16,900.00 and was electronically deposited.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Joe Marcucci sent a second draft of the 2022 Budget. The per diem rate will be increased to \$18.50 per hour. The FTE contract expires at the end of 2021. The budget includes the 2% increased aloud.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Ludwig to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Zappacosta-Romano, and with a voice vote, MOTION PASSED. Absent was Chairman Komjathy and Commissioner McManus-Keyes.

The Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will take place on November 16, 2021.

*Regular Meeting Minutes prepared and submitted by
Robin Schutts, Board Secretary*