

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Gloucester Township Fire District No. 5
Lambs Terrace Fire Company

Regular Meeting Minutes June 6, 2023

- I. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Chairman Englebert delivered the Sunshine Notice and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – ALL Present: Commissioner DeRosa, Commissioner Lloyd,
Commissioner Rinaldi, Commissioner Sprinitis
Chairman Engelbert, Solicitor Carlamere

- II. Introduction of Resolution 2023-16 Fire Commissioners Revised Line Item Responsibilities for 2023.** Commissioner Rinaldi has proposed a Motion of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District #5, Township of Gloucester, Camden County, New Jersey, authorizing Commissioner Compensation Adjustment, due to additional assignments and responsibilities. **WHEREAS**, the Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District #5 has determined to provide a Commissioner Compensation Adjustment for the year 2023 equal to an 81% increase for the Commissioner/Department of Personnel, for a yearly salary of \$89,316.00 for Chairman Barry Engelbert.

NOW THEREFORE, it is herein Resolved and Approved the Board of Fire Commissioners shall provide a Commissioner Compensation adjustment to Commissioner/Department of Personnel for Chairman Barry Engelbert. Motion made to accept by Commissioner Rinaldi, and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd.

Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried.
Chairman Engelbert abstained.

- III. Introduction of Resolution 2023-17 Deputy Fire District Administrator** with a start date of June 22, 2023 to June 21, 2024 with the annual salary of \$40,000. Motion made to accept by Commissioner Rinaldi, and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd.

Roll Call: 5-0 Motion carried.

Solicitor Carlamere went through the New Hire Contract and stated that **Resolution 2023-17** for the position of **Deputy Fire District Administrator** to the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District #5 (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-81.1) would have to be advertised and a Special Public Meeting would be set for June 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm as the Second Reading. Motion was made to accept by Commissioner Rinaldi, and seconded by Commissioner DeRosa.

The new start date is to begin on June 22, 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Rinaldi, and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd.

- IV. Treasurer's Report** – Commissioner DeRosa read Treasurer's report and the submission of the bills for the month of **June 2023** in the amount of **63,098.58**. Motion to accept was made by Commissioner Lloyd, and seconded by Commissioner Rinaldi.
Roll Call: 5-0 Motion carried.
- V. Minutes** – Motion to approve the Minutes for the month of May 2023, was made by Commissioner DeRosa, and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd.
Roll Call: 5-0 Motion carried.
- VI. Clerk's Report** – Clerk Lorri commended Commissioner Rinaldi on the Web site looking great and up to date.
- VII. Career Report** – Firefighter Fowler reported new Quint is back. Second company gas gauge system would need to go out to bid. Squad parts for valve issue and cross lays. Old Quint stripped and will be put on Gov Deals. Pricing motor mount. Chairman Engelbert stated we will hold onto old Quint until new Utility comes in October.
- VIII. Fire Marshal's Report – see attached.** Fire Marshal Schwegel asked and was given permission to purchase a new camera for investigations. Inquired about using credit cards for permit applications. Chairman Engelbert likes the personal contact with the community. Decision will be tabled for another time.
- IX. Chief's Report** – Steve Schwegel reported the hose came in after 16 months. Chief Dimitri reported new Utility is in production and delivery should be in October 2023. We now have two full trucks coverage for every Saturday. Two trucks went out with Volunteers and met with other Chiefs. Chief Dimitri attended a Highway meeting and is checking into expanding our area of the Expressway for coverage to Coles Road from Rt 42. Limited right now.
- X. President's Report** – Saturdays are going great with good turnout. Working on Christmas in July and the Car Show.
- XI. Commissioner's Report** – Commissioner Sprinitis had nothing to report. Commissioner DeRosa congratulated Chief Dimitri. Chairman Engelbert expressed his thanks and appreciation to Lambs Terrace Fire District #5 for the food tray that was sent to his home after his hospitalization. Commissioner Rinaldi said it was good to see Barry. Commissioner Rinaldi made a motion that the Commission go into Executive Session, Commissioner Sprinitis and Commissioner Lloyd seconded the motion.

Executive Session – 7:14 pm to 7:25 pm

Regular meeting resumed at 7:25 pm. The new Resolution **2023-17 Deputy Fire District Administrator** is pending. Commissioner Rinaldi made a motion to advertise Special Meeting for the Second reading, Commissioner Lloyd seconded the motion.

Roll Call: 5-0 Motion carried.

Oath of Office - Solicitor Carlamere gave the Oath of Office to Anthony Dimitri as the new permanent Volunteer Chief of Lambs Terrace Fire District #5, and swore him in with his wife and son at his side. Commissioner DeRossa and Chairman Engelbert congratulated Anthony.

XII. Public Portion

- a. (If needed)
- b. **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM DISCUSSION OF EXEMPTED SUBJECT MATTER AT A REGULAR OR SPECIAL SESSION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 5, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10.4-6 ET SEQ OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.**

XIII. Adjournment – Commissioner Rinaldi made the motion to adjourn, and Commissioner Lloyd seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

NEXT MEETING:
July 11, 2023
6:30 p.m. Workshop
7:00 p.m. Meeting

Respectfully submitted,


Cindy Jeminey, Recording Secretary