

**Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners
District #1
P.O. Box 267
New Egypt, New Jersey 08533**

**MINUTES
March 6th, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Monday March 6th, 2023. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairman Brady announced that the notice of his meeting was contained in the annual meeting schedule furnished to The Trenton Times, and The Trentonian. Posted on the Municipal bulletin board and filed with the municipal clerk.

The Meeting was brought to order at 7:00 pm

Rich Braslow swore in Bill Pippen Jr. as commissioner

Board Reorganization: Robert Brady- Chairman

Kent Amburgey- Vice Chairman

Bill Pippen- Secretary

Ken Hagen- Treasurer

John Gaskill- 5th commissioner

PRESENT: Robert Brady, Bill Pippen, Kent Amburgey, John Gaskill

ABSENT: Ken Hagen

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Braslow and Neil Braslow via ZOOM and Suzy Heller

MINUTES: A motion was made by Kent Amburgey and seconded by John Gaskill to approve minutes. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Amburgey-yes, Pippen-abstain and Gaskill-yes

TREASURERS' REPORT: Motion was made by John Gaskill and seconded by Bill Pippen to approve bill list

Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Amburgey-yes, Pippen-yes and Gaskill-yes

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you from the New Egypt girls bowling champions for escorting to HS. Thank you for attending funeral service for Mt Laurel fire member mom

OLD BUSINESS: The following were discussed:

Per Diem- 15 applications received

Discussed having an event pay rate for any special events, \$35.00 per diem rate. A motion was made by Kent Amburgey and seconded by John Gaskill to adopt a resolution for individuals providing fire Matic coverage concerning special events, and establishing fee schedule for providing the

referenced services. Resolution was adopted with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Amburgey-yes, Gaskill-yes, and Pippen yes

Ambulance 308- Discussed repairs needed to be “track ready”. Needs brakes, batteries, maintenance. Kevin and Rick will work together to get repairs done. A motion was made by John Gaskill and seconded by Bill Pippen Jr. to repair 308. Motion was passed with the following roll call- Brady-yes, Pippen-yes, Gaskill-yes and Amburgey- no

A motion was made by John Gaskill and seconded by Bill Pippen to adopt a resolution to hire Christopher Schmidt as per diem FF/EMT. Resolution was adopted with the following roll call: Amburgey-yes, Brady-yes, Gaskill-yes and Pippen-yes

Full time position has been advertised

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BUDGET: Referendum passed 634-yes; 122-no Committeeman Cuozzo commended everyone for doing a great job with the referendum

NEW BUSINESS: The following items were discussed:

CHIEF REPORT: The following report was given by Chief Rick Byrne:

- Discussed meeting with the mayor
- Grant for equipment-in progress
- Will start to spec a truck out with the committee to be prepared for upcoming 2024 grant
- Refurbished trucks

EMS REPORT: The following report was presented by EMS Captain Jodi Byrne:

- Heating/AC system still not working at the First Aid building- Jodi advised the township
- Elks Grant- this year is for EMS- looking into new iPad
- Billing company- will set up a meeting for 3/20

LEA REPORT: The following report was presented by Joe Paolo:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Kent Amburgey and seconded by John Gaskill to adopt a resolution to go into executive session

to discuss personnel matters. Resolution was adopted with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Amburgey-yes, Pippen -yes and Gaskill-yes

PUBLIC: Chairman Brady thanked everyone that came out and supported the referendum

A motion was made by Kent Amburgey and seconded by Bill Pippen to hold a special meeting on 3/20/23 from 5-7 to discuss personnel. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Amburgey-yes, Gaskill-yes and Pippen-yes

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by John Gaskill and seconded by Kent Amburgey to adjourn meeting. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Amburgey-yes, Pippen-yes and Gaskill-yes

Respectfully Submitted;

Barbara Brady
Secretary