

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

**MINUTES
August 21st, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Monday August 21st, 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

PRESENT: Robert Brady, Bill Pippen, Kent Amburgey, John Gaskill and Kenneth Hagen

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Braslow via Zoom and Suzy Heller

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

TREASURERS' REPORT: Motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Kent Amburgey to approve treasurers' report.

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

EMS Revenue is above budget, payroll is at 62% due to vacancy.

Commissioner Pippen will assist with Retro pay, need to work on the Chief Contract, insurance quotes are still in progress. DCA says we cannot purchase a truck in 2023. Ken Hagen thanked Suzy for her help.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS: The following were discussed:

- Interviews still in progress
- Waiting for response from Dr Kelly

BUDGET: Advised everyone needs to complete 2024 budgets

NEW BUSINESS: The following items were discussed: None

TRUCK COMMITTEE: The committee went to see a Spartan, that another company does not want due to need exactly to spec. Matt Sams presented power points with pictures and descriptions. We could take to our local Spartan dealer for any issues. Truck would need a deck gun and lettering. Price is \$848,000.00. Discussed need to purchase 35-40 air bottles-\$15k.

Discussed various purchasing options. Will send a letter of intent as Mr. Braslow stated that it is binding.

Discussed pros and cons of truck.

Rich will contact the company and discuss.

Kevin addressed the board with his feelings on the truck, as the district mechanic, he would not recommend purchasing, he does not feel that this truck is what the company needs.

A motion was made by John Gaskill and seconded by Kent Amburgey to adopt a resolution Authorizing a public hearing relative to capitol project to purchase a fire truck and equipment not to exceed \$900,000.00, the hearing will be on September 5th, 2023 @ 7:30 pm. Resolution was adopted with the following roll call: Amburgey-yes, Brady-yes, Gaskill-yes, Hagen-yes and Phippen-yes

A motion was made by Bill Phippen and seconded by John Gaskill to send a letter of intent. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Amburgey-yes, Brady-yes, Gaskill-yes, Hagen-yes and Phippen-yes.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Bill Phippen and seconded by John Gaskill to adjourn meeting. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Hagan-yes, Amburgey-yes, Phippen-yes and Gaskill-yes. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm

Respectfully Submitted;

Barbara Brady
Secretary