

**BTFD #2 SPECIAL MEETING  
AND  
REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

**February 1, 2024**

**Meeting Called to Order 7:00 pm at the BTFD#2 Fire House.**

**Salute to the Flag and Moment of Silence observed**

**ROLL CALL By Chair Jim Cann:**

Robert Bennett, Absent, George Chidley, Present, Andrew Law Present, George Gareis, Present, James Cann, Present.

**READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT:**

By Secretary (see Agenda)

**RECOGNITIONS:**

NONE

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

Chairman Jim Cann requested that if the Board Members present were satisfied with the accuracy of the Special and Regular Meeting Minutes January 4, 2024. The Chairman requested a motion to approve the Minutes. A motion to approve amended minutes by Andrew Law and Seconded by George Gareis. A ballot was taken and all members present affirmed the motion to approve the minutes for January 4, 2024.

Chairman Jim Cann requested that if the Board Members present were satisfied with the accuracy of the January 23, 2024 Special Budget Meeting Minutes. The Chairman requested a motion to approve the Minutes. A motion to approve corrected minutes by Andrew Law and Seconded by George Gareis. A ballot was taken and all members present affirmed the motion to approve the minutes January 23, 2024.

**REPORT BY CHIEF BTFD#2:**

Report by Chief, Robert MacFarland ( BTFD #2) dated January 31, 2024 was presented. Chief noted that the Audit for 2024 is scheduled for completion on or before July 24, 2024. NJDCA is aware that the 2022 Audit has not been completed by the Auditors and will be

completed shortly for review after approval by the BTFD#2 Commissioners. NJDCA approved the adopted Budget received January 31, 2024. Referendum to be posted as required by NJ Law.

Chair, Cann requested a motion to accept the Chief's January 2024 Report. A motion was made to accept the report by Andrew Law and Seconded by George Chidley. A ballot was taken and all members present approve the motion to accept the Chief's December 2023 Report.

#### **REPORT BY TREASURER:**

Treasurer, Robert Bennett was absent and a Finance Report for January will be presented at the next Regular Meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Chief Still waiting for Bordentown Township to review Inter-agency Agreement for Oxygen Re-Charge Unit will update next meeting.

Chief contacted the Solicitor and has scheduled them to be present at the February 22, 2024 Special Meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief, presented RESOLUTION 2024-0014 Renewal of Membership First Responder Joint Insurance Fund. There were no questions from the BTFD#2 Commissioners and a motion was made by Commissioner Andrew Law and Seconded by George Gareis. All members present approved the motion.

Chief requested approval for the following expenses:

- Fire Apparatus Repair 3223 brakes **\$3,236.47**
- 3223 Pump Valve replacement **\$350.00**
- NAPA Truck & Stop Supplies **\$221.39**
- All Hands Fire Equipment 4 gas meter calibrations \$(2) **\$198.00**
- Drager Single Gas Meter **\$287.04**
- NY Fire Equip. 500F encapsulator agent (2) **\$450.00**
- Continental Fire Key 1 3/4 x 50' hose **\$430.00**
- TOTAL \$4,974.90**

Motion made by George Chidley to approve the expenditures and Seconded by George Gareis. All members present approved the motion.

#### **MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION:**

BTFD#2 Commissioners determined there was no need for a closed session.

#### **MOTION TO OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

At 7:25 pm Chair Jim Cann requested a motion to open the meeting to the public, A motion was made by George Chidley to open the meeting for public comment and was seconded by Andrew Law. All members present affirmed the motion to open the meeting for public comment. No members of the Public came forward. Chair Jim Cann requested a motion to close the meeting for public comment. A motion was made by George Chidley to close the meeting for Public Comment and seconded by Andrew Law. All members present affirmed the motion to close the public comment portion of the meeting.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Chair, Jim Cann requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Andrew Law George and Seconded by George Gareis. All present balloted to affirm the motion and the meeting was **closed at 7:28 pm.**

**MINUTES APPROVED on April 4, 2024**

Robert Bennett, \_\_\_ ABSTAIN ABSENT  
George Chidley \_\_\_ X  
George Gareis \_\_\_ X  
Andrew Law \_\_\_ X  
James Cann \_\_\_ X

**CERTIFIED BY:**

  
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George Chidley, Secretary  
BTFD#2 Board of Fire Commissioners

  
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Andrew Law  
*Acting* James Cann, Chair  
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