

The Commissioners of Five District No.1
In the Township of South Brunswick
Regular Monthly Meeting
January 13, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, in the Township of South Brunswick, was called to order at 6:35 by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Members present: Commissioners Berezansky, Hohmeier, Josephson, Olson and Orchard.

Members absent: none

Flag Salute: completed

Agenda Changes: none

Public Hearing on 2025 Budget: no comment on the Budget by those present.

Address from the Public: none

Approval of December Meeting Minutes: Mr. Josephson made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, and Mr. Hohmeier seconded it. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Reports:

Line Activities – Chief Perez reported that 2024 ended with 351 fire calls; it was a busy year and next year will probably be the same. All other stats were presented in the December report.

President – Mr. Dauster reported the Fire Company has a new VP, Chris DeLorenzo and a new Secretary, Matt Cleworth.

Treasurer's Report & Voucher List – Ms. Berezansky reported that all bills have been paid for the year. After review of the Voucher List, Mr. Hohmeier made a motion to accept the List as presented and Mr. Josephson seconded it. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Resolution 2025-1: Adoption of Temporary Budget for 2025 was read into the record (file copy attached). The Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District, No. 1, Township, County of Middlesex, by resolution, to adopt a Temporary Budget to make appropriations and to provide for the period between the beginning of the Fiscal Year, 1/1/2025 and the adoption of the budget by the legal voters of the Fire District, at the election scheduled for 2/15/2025. A roll call vote was taken: Ms. Berezansky-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes, Mr. Hohmeier-yes; Mr. Olson-yes and Mr. Josephson-yes. The resolution passed unanimously.

Secretary – Mr. Olson read Mr. Josephson's Letter of Resignation, as of 12/31/24. Mr. Orchard thanked him for his years of service.

Fire Coordinator – Mr. Perez reported the following:

- The 2025 Budget has been conditionally approved by the State.
- Audit is in the process.
- The Election will be held in February, so work is being done to prepare all necessary paperwork and notices.

Mr. Perez presented two budget resolutions into the record (file copies attached).

Res. 2025-2: Resolution to amend the 2025 Budget as introduced, pursuant to N.J.S. A 40A:14-78.3 for Fiscal Year 1/1/25 to 12/31/25. A roll call vote was taken: Ms. Berezansky-yes; Mr. Hohmeier-yes; Mr. Josephson-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes and Mr. Olson-yes. The resolution passed unanimously.

Res. 2025-3: Adoption of the 2025 Annual Budget; Fire District No.1, Township of South Brunswick for Fiscal Year 1/1/25 to 12/31/25. The Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Revenues of \$0.00 which includes Amount to be raised by taxation of \$1,171,770.00 and total Appropriations of \$1,171,770.00. A roll call vote was taken: Ms. Berezansky-yes; Mr. Hohmeier-yes; Mr. Orchard-yes; Mr. Josephson-yes and Mr. Olson-yes. The resolution passed unanimously.

Chairman – Mr.Orchard had nothing to report.

Standing Committee Reports –

Fire Company Liaison – nothing to report.

Rescue Squad Liaison – nothing to report.

Public Relations – all is good.

State Association – minutes from the December meeting were distributed.

Insurance – all policies are paid up.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: Adoption of 2025 Budget: see Res. 2025-3 above.

Executive Session: none

Address from the Public: none

Adjournment: As there was no future business to discuss, Mr. Olson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Berezansky seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Bonnie R.L. Knigge

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