

The Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire District No. 1

Special Meeting

January 24, 2011

A special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1 in the Township of South Brunswick was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Treasurer, Larry Rosenberg, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Members present: Commissioners Tarnowski, Berhend, Olson and Rosenberg.

Members absent: Commissioner Orchard

Mr. Rosenberg stated that the original purpose of the meeting was to hold a 2011 Budget Hearing and adopt the budget. Unfortunately the budget cannot be adopted, as there were some amendments that needed to be made. The State noticed some questionable areas and sent it back to the Board's accounting firm. He stated that the first payment on the new apparatus will be in 2012 and the last payment on Truck 222 was in 2010, which caused some monies for Capital Leases to be eliminated. This amounted to a reduction in the amount for the cap levy calculation, which will cause a reduction in taxes. Therefore, the amended budget will have Total Appropriations of \$1,081,500; funded by a tax levy of \$685,323 and \$377,577 of Fund Balance, with \$8,600 of Other Revenues. The tax rate will be 7.3.

Mr. Rosenberg is waiting for two resolutions: one for a budget amendment and one for adoption of the budget. A special meeting will be held once they are received.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that anyone wishing to comment on the changes should do so now. There were no comments.

Mr. Rosenberg read Resolution 11/12 - ? as follows:

Whereas, New Jersey State Statute 40A5-5 requires the governing body of each local authority to cause an internal annual audit of the accounts to be made and ,

Whereas, the Annual Audit Report for fiscal year ending December 31, 2009 has been completed and filed with local government services, pursuant to 40A5A-15 and,

Whereas, 40A5-17 requires governing bodies to send the authority, within 45 days of receipt of the Annual Audit Report (noted that the Board was delinquent), a certified resolution of the Local Finance Board that each member has personally reviewed the Annual Report,

including the Auditor's Report and General Comments and Recommendations and is evidenced in a Group Affidavit, in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board and,

Whereas, the members of the governing body have received the Annual Audit Report and personally reviewed the Annual Audit and have specifically reviewed the sections of the Annual Audit Report, entitled General Comments and Recommendations, in accordance with 40A5A-17,

Now, Therefore be it Resolved, that the governing body of South Brunswick Fire District No. 1, hereby certifies to the Local Finance Board, State of New Jersey, that each body member has personally reviewed the Annual Audit Report for fiscal year ending December 31, 2009 and specifically has reviewed the section titled General Comments and Recommendations and is evidenced by a Group Affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board,

Be it Further Resolved, that the Secretary of the Authority is hereby directed to promptly submit to the Local Finance Board aforesaid Group Affidavit, accompanied by a true copy of the resolution.

It is hereby certified that this a true copy of the resolution passed at a meeting held on January 24, 2011.

(To be signed by Mr. Olson)

Mr. Behrend moved the resolution and Mr. Tarnowski seconded it. A vote was taken and passed unanimously by those present.

There was no other business to discuss, therefore, Mr. Tarnowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Olson seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie R. L. Knigge

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