

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Washington Township Fire District No. 1
P. O. Box 152
Washington, New Jersey 07882**

Minutes for April 11, 2012:

Meeting Called to Order by R. Dorio at 8:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Dorio requested a moment of silence for all fallen firefighters.

Roll Call

Chairman – Ralph Dorio – Present
Vice Chairman – Carl Shotwell – Present
Secretary – Karl Spolarich – Present
Treasurer – Margaret Tobin – Present
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer – Matthew Noctor - Present

Certification of Public Meeting Law

K. Spolarich, secretary, noted that this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of 1975 in as much as a notice had been published *The Express Times* and/or *The Star Ledger* and posted at the municipal building.

Reading of Minutes

Minutes from the March 14, 2012, meeting were read by K. Spolarich. Motion to accept minutes as read made by M. Tobin. Second was made by C. Shotwell. All were in favor.

Correspondence

M. Noctor has a meeting with Liberty Mutual on April 12, 2012, for the Workmen's Compensation annual audit.

M. Noctor reported that VFIS needs the invoices for the bunker gear and boots that were either soiled or damaged at a fire call.

Report of Fire Chief

Monthly activity report for March 2012 read and submitted by Chief G. Mitchell.

Report of Fire Official

Monthly activity reports for January, February, and March 2012 read and submitted by Fire Official W. Cooper.

Report of Fire Department

None.

Old Business

M. Tobin presented information for website hosting from Comcast. Discussion followed. C. Shotwell made a motion to spend \$19.99 a month for website hosting and to purchase four additional email addresses at \$6.99 each. Second was made by M. Noctor. All were in favor.

R. Dorio reported that the Board did not make the deadline for the April Finance Board meeting regarding approval of the new apparatus. He is waiting for information from the accountant and will seek approval at the May meeting.

R. Dorio reported that the Board has provided Lincoln Financial with the necessary information required by the state for its LOSAP program. Once the Board receives state approval, it can make contributions to the individual accounts.

New Business

M. Tobin reported that drug testing is also available at Warren Hills Health Center for a cost of \$50.00.

K. Spolarich made a motion to accept the application of Louis Tobin, 347 Belvidere Avenue, as a probationary member of the fire department. Second was made by M. Noctor. All were in favor.

Meeting opened to the public by R. Dorio at 8:41 P.M.

M. Riotto, 72 Brass Castle Road, expressed concerns and questioned any financial debt that may be incurred by the taxpayers in regard to the mutual aid agreement with Washington Borough.

J. Vinson, 96 Rymon Road, informed the Board that the fire department will not be reimbursed for the expenses incurred for its response to the Township of Millburn during a declared state of emergency.

Meeting closed to the public by R. Dorio at 8:58 P.M.

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills

Treasurer's report for April 2012 read by M. Tobin and submitted. Motion to pay bills made by C. Shotwell. Second was made by M. Noctor. All were in favor. The total of the approved bills for April 2012 is \$53,213.96.

Miscellaneous

None.

Adjournment

Motion made by C. Shotwell to adjourn meeting at 9:01 P.M. Second was made by M. Noctor. All were in favor.

Karl B. Spolarich
Secretary