

**Maurice River Township
Fire Commission, District #3
Port Elizabeth, New Jersey 08348**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
March 2, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Maurice River Township Board of Fire Commissioners District #3 was held on Tuesday evening, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Port Elizabeth Volunteer Fire Company at 7 Port Elizabeth-Cumberland Road, Port Elizabeth, NJ with social distancing in place. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glenn Ewan. The following Commissioners were present: Glenn Ewan, Jackie Rascone, Jack Lafferty, Sr., Terry Hider, Nathaniel Jackson and Chief Rascone, Lewis Dutton.

The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was read by Chairman Ewan who then led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. The meeting was now opening to conduct business.

Minutes:

The minutes of February 2, 2021 regular meeting was presented for approval by the Commission.

Rascone made a motion to approve the minutes and Jackson 2nd

Ayes: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr. Nay: None Abstain: None

Roll Call: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr.

Chief's Report:

Chief Rascone gave his report as follows:

Total calls for February 2021: Total 9 Calls – 6 EMS, 3 Fire, 2 drills

Membership showing for calls is running 10 to 11 members, which is very good.

No Bills

Air Pacs will be coming up for flo check and extrication tools will need to be serviced soon.

Quotes will be handed in at the next meeting.

Working on the paperwork for bottles and gear. Some will be expiring soon and OSHA is cracking down

A new truck committee had been put together to voice our opinion.

EMS Dutton Report:

Doing great on EMS calls.

We need to purchase a stair chair. Quote for \$175.00, which Dutton will order, pay and when it comes in he'll be reimbursed.

Jackson made a motion to approve the Chief's report and Hider 2nd .

Ayes: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr. Nay: None Abstain: None

Roll Call: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr.

Correspondence

TD Bank Form 1099-INT tax year end 2020

TD Bank Statement January 2021

Commerce Bank Invoice – KME Mini Pumper

From Township – ARI Insurance Company –

2021 Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability Insurance Policy

Daily Journal Statement – Paid 2/5/2021 V#0848, Ck#1160

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Motion to pay Commerce Bank for the Lease of the pumper 27-21

Jackson made a motion to approve Lafferty, Sr. 2nd .

Ayes: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr. Nay: None Abstain: None

Roll Call: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr.

Rascone questioned, How long is this lease? Ewan replied, 10 year. We made the 3rd payment. It's a lease purchase.

Elections will be held Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 2:00 till 9:00 at the firehouse. Lisa is making the ballots and will forward to Kelly Hoffman at Cumberland County Clerk's office.

Upon inspecting the demo EMS vests from Mid-Atlantic Fire & Air Rascone motioned to upgrade the armor plates to the survival Armor Jackson 2nd .

Good of the Commission

Reading of the Bills

Lewis Dutton	Reimburse Purchase of scoop stretcher from Amazon	\$ 149.26
Commerce Bank	Lease KME Mini Pumper	\$ 21,400.52
Mid-Atlantic Fire & Air	EMS Safety Vests	\$2,050.00

Bill List

Lewis Dutton	Ck#1162 V#0851	Reimburse Purchase of Scoop Stretcher	\$149.26
Commerce Bank	Ck#1163 V#0852	Lease – KME Mini Pumper	\$21,400.52
Mid-Atlantic Fire & Air	Ck#1164 V#0853	EMS – Vests & Plates	\$2,050.00

TOTAL **\$23,599.78**

Motion to Pay Bills

Motion to pay the bills was made by Lafferty, Sr. and Jackson 2nd.

Ayes: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr. Nays: None Abstain: None

Roll Call: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr.

Treasurer's Report as of March 2, 2021	\$292,636.04	Balance March 2, 2021
	- \$23,599.78	Bills Paid March 2, 2021
	\$269,036.26	Balance March 2, 2021

Motion to Receive the Treasurer’s Report was made by Jackson and Lafferty, Sr. 2nd.

Ayes: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr. Nays: None Abstain: None

Roll Call: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr.

Open to the public

Present for public: Robert Curry

Ewan opened the meeting to the public at 7:05

Motion to Close to the public by Rascone and Hider 2nd;

Ayes: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr. Nays: None Abstain: None

Roll Call: Ewan, Rascone, Hider, Jackson, Lafferty, Sr.

Call for Adjournment

Rascone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 Hider 2nd.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Lisa L Ferrari, Recording Secretary