

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING  
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO.1  
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUILDING**

**THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2012**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER/STATEMENT OF PROPER NOTICE** - Chairman Chipowsky called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM stating that the notice of the meeting had been posted on the municipal bulletin board and forwarded to the Hopewell Valley News and The Trenton Times, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG** - Chairman Chipowsky led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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**ROLL CALL BY CHAIRMAN** - Those answering the roll call of Chairman Chipowsky:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Chipowsky, Vice-Chairman Lenarski, Treasurer Cseremsak, Commissioner Kintzel

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Secretary Orlandi

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Captain Schmitt (151), Chief Burd (53), Deputy Chief Soganic (153), Deputy Chief Malkiewicz (53), Commissioner Bovenizer (HBFD), Lieutenant Warren (51), Specialist Wilson (50/159), MES Sales B. Watson, Breathe Safe Sales T. Grove, FF1 Sales R. Pumphrey.

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**MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL**

Motion by Vice-Chairman Lenarski and seconded by Commissioner Kintzel to approve the May 24, 2012 regular session minutes as presented.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

Motion by Treasurer Cseremsak and seconded by Commissioner Kintzel to approve the June 14, 2012 regular session minutes as presented.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA)**

Commissioner Bovenizer requested to discuss a non-agenda item but was requested to wait until later in the meeting by Chairman Chipowsky.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Martin read into the record the pricing provided by the sealed bids for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus and Accessories.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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## **BILLS & CLAIMS**

Summary read by Treasurer Cseremsak

### **BILLS & CLAIMS**

*Authorized cash disbursements requiring approval for payment of bills in the following amounts:*

Bill List:		\$19,366.09
Payroll Ending:	June 30, 2012	\$50,870.33
DCRP Ending:	June 30, 2012	\$7.84
Total Disbursements:		\$70,244.26

*Motioned by Treasurer Cseremsak, seconded by Vice-Chairman Lenarski to adopt the bills and claims as read.*

### **DISCUSSION:**

Chief Martin reported on notable payments made as part of the bill list.

### **MOTION CARRIED**

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#### **CHIEF OF EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT**

Chief Martin reported on the following: a water study meeting is upcoming, narrow banding has been completed on the Hopewell Dispatch Channel, the Hopewell Valley Bureau of Fire Safety conducted a fire investigation in Hopewell Township, Chief Martin met with a representative from the JIF Insurance Fund and the worker's compensation insurance has been successfully initiated, ambulance 153-1 had an emergency light problem and the problem has been repaired, ambulance 153-2 had an air conditioning malfunction and the problem has been repaired, the Hopewell Valley Bureau of Fire Safety has been provided notice of an appeal before the Mercer County Construction Board of Appeals for the use of a commercial farm building, and a reminder was provided for an upcoming LOSAP points review meeting.

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#### **CHIEF OF THE UNION FIRE COMPANY REPORT**

Chief Burd reported on Station 53's most recent calls for service statics and that three volunteer members had graduated from fire fighter one training. Deputy Chief Soganic reported on the most recent calls for service statics for Squad 153.

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#### **PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA)**

Commissioner Bovenizer from the Hopewell Borough Fire District advised the Board that Hopewell Borough had awarded the bid for the replacement tanker for Station 52. Commissioner Bovenizer requested the Township Fire District's portion of the down payment as soon as possible. The Board and Commissioner Bovenizer discussed the tanker bid award. Captain Schmitt from the Pennington First Aid Squad reported on the squad's most recent calls for service statics. Captain Schmitt reported that ambulance 151-1 has returned to service after having completed a warranty repair. Captain Schmitt reported that narrow banding had proceeded well for the Pennington First Aid Squad. Captain Schmitt reported that Lawrence

Township and the City of Trenton were placing additional ambulances in service that could help to reduce the amount of mutual aid responses. Captain Schmitt reported that the Princeton Medical Center had provided the Pennington First Aid Squad with Opticom Units at no charge to the squad. Chief Burd asked if the Opticom receivers could be placed on traffic signals in his response area. The Board and those in attendance discussed the Opticom System.

Deputy Chief Soganic provided the Board with pricing for a replacement ambulance for the Union Fire Company and Rescue Squad. The Board discussed the ambulance replacement.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

Chairman Chipowsky advised that the Board was entering executive session to discuss the SCBA bids with Attorney Hart.

Motion by Treasurer Cseremsak and seconded by Vice-Chairman Lenarski at 7:24 PM.

**MOTION CARRIED**

After the Board opened the regular session of the meeting Chairman Chipowsky advised that the bid proposal pages would be available for review for fifteen minutes after the completion of the meeting. There would be a sign in page if you wish to view the documents. Any questions should be directed to Chief Martin.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Kintzel and seconded by Treasurer Cseremsak to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Martin  
Chief of Emergency Services