

Toms River Fire Academy
October 11, 2017

A budget meeting of the Commissioners of Fire Districts No.1 & No. 2 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, New Jersey was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Blank.

Let the official minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and a notice thereof being posted in the Municipal Building, 33 Washington Street, Toms River, New Jersey, being transmitted to the Asbury Park Press, Star Ledger and to all persons who have requested copies in accordance with the statute.

ROLL CALL

Ambrosio - absent	Blank – present
Autenrieth – present	Britton – present
Convery – absent	Geoghegan – present
Latshaw – present	Duff – present
Sipe – present	Silva – absent

Administrator Kubiak present. Halliwell present to take minutes.

Dispatchers:

The board reviewed the proposed dispatcher budget. Waiting on Township to move forward with dispatch console. Reduce consultant fees and maintenance if possible and increase money for training.

Joint Administration:

The board reviewed the proposed joint administration budget with no issues.

Radio:

The board reviewed the proposed joint radio budget. Removing \$50,000 for upgrades to dispatch console as this is covered by capital referendum approved by voters. Discussed possible reimbursement from Township for receivers used by EMS.

Fire Academy:

Director Hansson presented the proposed Fire Academy budget. Board discussed proposed increase in salaries and concluded it was not necessary at this time. Discussion on conference budget. Board suggested sending fewer instructors but Director Hansson said he would rather give up other items to maintain instructors sent for training. Agreed to lower furniture budget by \$6,000 to accomplish this.

Bureau of Fire Prevention:

Director Esposito presented the proposed Bureau budget. He explained the only increases were fringe benefits and training materials to purchase new extinguisher prop for public training.

Tech Rescue:

The board reviewed the Tech Rescue budget. Decided to remove supplies line and reduce tools & equipment and clothing budget lines. Tech Rescue team leader Novak was informed of the budget cuts. Novak told the board he understood the need to cut the budget and thanked the board for the continued support over the years for the tech rescue team.

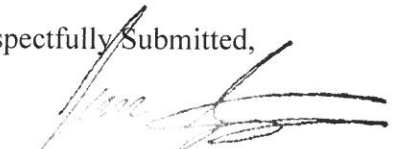
Lengthy discussion followed re: new opticom system for both fire districts.

There being no further business, motion Blank second Autenrieth to close meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,



Jesse Sipe, Clerk