

The 830th meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District #3, Township of Old Bridge, County of Middlesex, was called to order by Commissioner Ruane, at 20:15 hours.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

"This meeting is convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by furnishing announcement thereof, to the Home News Tribune, and the Asbury Park Press, by posting notice in the Municipal Building, and by filing a copy of the notice with the Municipal Clerk."

Pledge to the flag. Moment of silence.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Commissioner KR Totten, Commissioner Sassi, Commissioner Cahill, Commissioner Shelters, Commissioner Ruane. ABSENT:

Motion to dispense with reading and accept minutes of Regular Meeting of September 24, 2025 Regular Meeting made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

TREASURERS REPORT: September 30, 2025

Amboy Operating Account	\$1,846,619.45
Amboy Capital Account	\$ 58,970.87
Manasquan Operating CD	\$ 551,788.29
Manasquan Money Market CD	\$1,254,688.41
United Roosevelt Operating	\$ 329,810.40
United Roosevelt Money Market Capital	\$ 160,142.78
Unemployment Account	\$ <u>112,609.16</u>
TOTAL	\$4,314,629.36

Motion to pay checks for Month of October, 2025 in the amount of \$115,464.79 made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

Motion to approve bill list due before next regular meeting November 19, 2025 in the amount of \$538,396.80 made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

Motion to accept Treasurers report made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Cahill. With all voting in favor.

COMMISSIONER RUANE:

We will go into Executive Session for personnel.

I do not have anything else at this time.

Motion to accept Commissioner Ruane's report made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Sassi. With all voting in favor.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Revenue for September in District 3\$41,966.42. Revenue collected for September in District 4 \$4,537.69. Total revenue thru September 30, 2025 including District 4 is \$288,599.44.

Discussion ensued on doing inspections on tablets as opposed to writing it down in the field, come back here to input then print to put it in a file. The are forms we have to send to the state and jungle lasers for them to fill out to verify the storage. Further discussion ensued.

There is 1 thing on the purchase request from Matt and that's for an extension cord with multiple outlets for the Fire Prevention program.

Motion to accept Captain's report made by Commissioner Sassi, second by Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

**CHIEFS REPORT:**

Reports are in your folders.

Discussion on drivers training. My recommendation to the Deputy Chief of training was, and we both agree that moving forward when you finish a level, he needs to be notified of it and then he signs off on it, and we proceed from there. Further discussion ensued.

How is the standby crews going. It is off to a rocky start. We are working on changing the signup program. Further discussion ensued.

Motion to accept the Chief's report made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Sassi. With all voting in favor.

**FIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR:**

You guys have the manpower report for September.

Hose testing was completed last month. I told you I needed a month to figure out what hoses we will need. As it turns out because of the stock that we had, when Chief Sellmeyer was in office we put together a quantity that we wanted on all the racks in the fire houses. We were able to get away with only having to purchase 1 100' length of red 5" hose. Further discussion ensued.

There are 14 SCBA cylinders that are going to be at their end of lifetime in 2027. There are 18 that will meet that same date in 2028. There are no cylinders expiring in 2026. So I would like to break that down and buy the 32 cylinders over a course of 4 years starting this year. That breaks it down to 7 in 2025, 7 in 2026, 9 in 2027 and 9 in 2028. Further discussion ensued.

I got an email from Dillian Seal from Garage, that is the guy brokering the hurst equipment. They said they have someone interested in buying them. I have not heard back from him. On October 14<sup>th</sup> I got a call from the Fire Chief in Milltown and they are having some problems and they are interested in the hurst equipment. Further discussion ensued. The board agreed to donate them to Milltown along with a hold harmless agreement.

Pagers are issued per protocol. The other day all the low band radios were exchanged for VHF with the exception of 29. They are coming back to do 29. Base stations are done; all the rigs are done with the exception of 29. Everything was working when installed.

The only work left is part of the town's bid proposal with PNC was to change the fire house antennas. Once that gets scheduled, we will get them changed. Further discussion ensued.

Motion to accept Fire District Administrators report made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

**COMMISSIONER RUANE:**

Bob spoke about the hurst tools.

We need not to exceed \$50.00 for antennas for the fire ground radios, we have to buy 20.

I have the quote to repair 310 for \$1,861.00. Do we want to fix it? Further discussion ensued.

Motion not to exceed \$2,000.00 for antennas and repair to 310 made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

Maintenance is up to date.

Motion to accept Commissioner Ruane's report made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

**COMMISSIONER CAHILL:**

The PO list was read and we need hose, batteries, sump pumps, extension cord, defib batteries.

Motion not to exceed \$4,100.00 for equipment made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters, with all voting in favor.

Motion to accept Commissioner Cahill's report made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

**COMMISSIONER SHELTERS:**

I have no training this month.

Last month we talked about the tablets for the Fire Officials and basically ICS doesn't sell a mobile tablet, and they recommend that we go to Verizon for ipads. Further discussion ensued.

I submitted a PO for a couple things. One is the server upgrade here. It is quite pricey, it is \$13,647.00. it needs to be done.

Also, the printer needs to be replaced. Further discussion ensued. For \$1,500.00.

Motion not to exceed \$16,000.00 for computer equipment made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Sassi. With all voting in favor.

Motion to accept Commissioner Shelter's report made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Cahill. With all voting in favor.

**COMMISSIONER SASSI:**

ok the stone has been put down in the back and around the building around the flagpole and the flower bed area.

The generator did not have yearly service on it. We are going to go with Danley for yearly service for a total of \$421.60 to come out and service it. We did note on the last service that the battery is 5 years old but is still at 85%, so when they do their next service, we will have them replace the battery.

The revised contract, the CBA for Local 3311, was given to the representatives, including Matt, we are waiting to hear back from them if they want a face-to-face meeting or any changes will be discussed via e-mail.

Motion not to exceed \$500.00 for the generator service contract made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner KR Totten. With all voting in favor.

Motion to accept Commissioners Sassi's report made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner KR Totten. With all voting in favor.

**COMMISSIONER KR TOTTON:**

No report.

Motion to accept Commissioner KR Totten's report made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

**FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT:**

Proposal of outline for trial period. Further discussion ensued. I'm going to blatantly disagree with the Chief. While there has been as far as figuring things out and curtailing the program to what we need. I have seen a lot of excitement. Further discussion ensued.

We will be screening another member.

Discussion on the camera system needing upgrade.

Motion to accept Fire Company Presidents report made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Sassi. With all voting in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS: None.**

**NEW BUSINESS: None.**

**PUBLIC PORTION: None.**

Name:

Address:

Motion for Resolution 25-1015.1 to go into Executive Session at 20:54 hours made by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Sassi. With all voting in favor.

We are back from Executive Session at 21:25 hours. In Executive Session we discussed personnel and other matters to come before the Board.

Motion for Resolution 25-1015.2 to dispose of radios made by Commissioner Sassi, second Commissioner Shelters. With all voting in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Shelters, second Commissioner Sassi. Meeting adjourned at 21:28 hours.

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Commissioner Shelters  
Clerk