

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS,
TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS; DISTRICT #2**

March 21, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Dennis, District #2, was held on March 21, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Dennisville Volunteer Fire Company in Dennisville, NJ. This meeting was rescheduled from the original date of Tuesday March 7th due to road construction making the fire house inaccessible.

Commissioners **Cliff Lockwood; Carla Coffey; Edward Beck; Bruce Knoll, Jr.** and **Bob McClure** were present. Also present were **Cheryl Sayers, CPA**, Accountant and Recording Secretary to the Board; and **Mike Gihorski**, Chief of the Dennisville Volunteer Fire Company.

The meeting was opened by **Cliff Lockwood**, who read the appropriate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.

As the first order of business, the board discussed the results of the election, held on Saturday, February 18th, 2023. **Cliff Lockwood** and **Bruce Knoll Jr.** were re-elected as Commissioners. The 2023 Budget was passed by the voters with thirty (30) "YES" votes and two (2) "NO" votes.

Thereafter, the Board held its reorganization meeting, making, and approving the following appointments:

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| Chairman- | Cliff Lockwood |
| Vice Chairman- | Edward Beck |
| Secretary- | Bruce Knoll, Jr. |
| Treasurer- | Carla Coffey |
| Commissioner- | Bob McClure |

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| Solicitor- | Jon Batastini, Esq. |
| Auditor- | Ford Scott |
| Newspaper- | The Press of Atlantic City (Primary) |
| Newspaper- | Cape May County Herald (Secondary) |
| Bank- | 1st Bank of Sea Isle City |

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| Meeting Dates- | 1 st Tuesday of each month, except June and August when no meeting is held, and November, when the meeting will be held on the 1 st Monday, due to Election night. |
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| Meeting Time- | 7:00 p.m. |
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(continued)**

Minutes from the prior meeting, held Tuesday, February 7, 2023 were not available at the time of the meeting. Therefore, those minutes will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Mrs. Sayers presented a financial report, including a list of checks to be approved, signed, and distributed. The checks were approved as presented. The board reviewed the financial report including an analysis of the current year to date income and expenses as compared to the budget.

The board discussed the LOSAP plan and what constitutes a “hardship withdrawal”.

The board discussed the current “LOSAP” plan and how it is currently invested. The fiduciary of the plan has suggested other options for the plan that have higher interest rates. The board had intended to meet with the benefits coordinator a couple of years ago but the meeting was cancelled due to covid. The board would like to meet with the benefits coordinator to discuss the LOSAP plan in depth.

The board discussed the possibility of purchasing a new vehicle. The board would like discuss options with the solicitor.

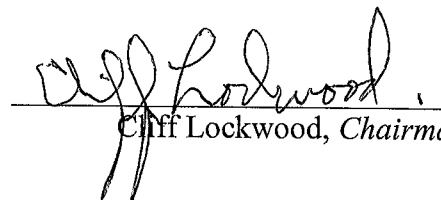
Mrs. Sayers reminded the Board that the next meeting will be held on April 4, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl D. Sayers, CPA, Recording Secretary

Approved and Submitted,


Cliff Lockwood, Chairman