

Board of Fire Commissioners

Gloucester Township Fire District Six
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<i>Chairman</i> George L Brown	<i>Vice Chairman</i> Brian Robinson	<i>Treasurer</i> Steven M. Funkhouser	<i>Secretary</i> George W. Flinn	<i>Commissioner</i> Derek Grier
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MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING **December 14, 2023**

In accordance with the New Jersey Sunshine Law, section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, this meeting is open to the public. The public portion will follow the regular business of the Board. Notice of this meeting was posted on the Fire District bulletin board designed for that purpose.

CALL TO ORDER

Public meeting call to order at 18:40 hours.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

GRIER	PRESENT
ROBINSON	PRESENT
FLINN	PRESENT
FUNKHOUSER	PRESENT
BROWN	PRESENT

Also present: Chief Brown, Solicitor Carlamere, Vince Passarella, Administrative Clerk Evans.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Minutes have not been completed yet.

CORRESPONDENCE

All has been distributed and is on file.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Funkhouser read the Treasurer's Report into the record; the opening balance in the general account was \$3,254,622.26. Payroll account balance was \$53,511.47. Bills attached for approval totaled \$56,706.23. Total amount for approval is \$56,706.23.

Motion made by Commissioner Robinson to accept the Treasurer's Report, and monthly bill list. Motion seconded by Commissioner Flinn. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMISSIONER BROWN

Budget: will get to that at the end of the meeting

Two members will be starting the fire academy in January.

COMMISSIONER ROBINSON

Closed session briefly to discuss contracts.

COMMISSIONER FUNKHOUSER

Building: Fix the heater and the front door lock.

COMMISSIONER FLINN

Nothing to report.

COMMISSIONER GRIER

Nothing to report.

FIRE CHIEF/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Fire Chief Brown presented the Fire Chief/Administrator's Report. The complete report is on file.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Nothing to report.

RESOLUTIONS

R: 35-23: *Resolution to apply and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for Gloucester Township Fire District 6.*

Motion made by Commissioner Robinson, second by Commissioner Funkhouser to accept the Resolution.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

Motion made by Commissioner Funkhouser to enter Closed Session. Motion seconded by Commissioner Flinn at 18:48 hours.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION--19:32 HOURS

Motion made by Commissioner Flinn to come out of Closed Session and take a 30 minute recess. Motion seconded by Commissioner Funkhouser at 19:33 hours.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION--20:03 HOURS

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

While in closed session we discussed an update involving the IAFF contract, this item remains unresolved.

The second item was the Budget for 2024 which includes the Boards direction to go with Hardenberg as broker and VFIS as the provider for everything but worker's compensation:

Motion made to go with VFIS for everything but worker's compensation, made by Commissioner Flinn, seconded by Commissioner Funkhouser.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

Motion made to go with the first reading of the 2024 Budget as read by the accountant, made by Commissioner Flinn, seconded by Commissioner Funkhouser.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

NEW BUSINESS

Ice machine is shot and will be about \$1,500 to repair or a new one cost around \$5,000.

Motion made to purchase a new ice machine not to exceed \$7,500, made by Commissioner Flinn, seconded by Commissioner Robinson.

ROLL CALL VOTE

GRIER	YEA
ROBINSON	YEA
FLINN	YEA
FUNKHOUSER	YEA
BROWN	YEA

PUBLIC COMMENT--NONE

Motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Flinn to adjourn meeting at 20:07 hours. Motion Carried.