

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District # 4 held a Workshop Meeting on 10/7/2020 at Blackwood Fire Company, 14 W. Central Avenue, Blackwood, NJ 08012. This meeting has been properly advertised according to the State of New Jersey Sunshine Laws.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Vannoni (here) Commissioner McCann (here)
Commissioner Jones (here) Commissioner Stavola (here)

Attendees: FF O Connor, Captain Reiss, FF Walsh, Chief Cipriano

1. The Board had a conversation concerning the lease with Blackwood Fire Company, which will be up in 2021. Topics such as the lease cost, and the fact the Board of Fire Commissioners pay the majority of the monthly bills on the building, was in the conversation. Purchasing the building, which was previously brought to the Fire Company was also discussed. The point was made if that were to happen, and renovations would have to be done at prevailing wages. It was also stated, by the Board buying the building, could possibly save the Board \$40,000.00 a year. The feeling of the Board was to honor the current lease, but negotiate it going forward.

2. Commissioner Jones said the Fire Company had adopted the bi-law change, in recognizing the career staff as members of Blackwood Fire Company.

3. Commissioner Jones said both Engine 88 and 842 are currently out of service, and the career staff used 821. Now, the Commissioners at 82 do not want the career staff to use 821. Commissioner Vannoni became irate, and totally disagreed that 841 is to be used, and was very upset that 82's Commissioners are denying the use of 821, and that they wanted 841 to be used. After a long discussion, the outcome was that if 841 is to be used, the staff will be housed at Central Avenue or Blackwood Clementon Road for the day, if they do not agree, they can use 821.

With nothing further to be discussed.

Motion by Commissioner Vannoni, second by Commissioner McCann to adjourn. All in favor, motion carries.

DATED: October 7, 2020

BY: _____
Robert Stavola, Secretary

