

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Gloucester Township Fire District # 4, held a Workshop Meeting on Wednesday September 4, 2019, in the office of the Board of Fire Commissioners, 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 M. Jones (here) Commissioner R. Jones (absent)
Commissioner McCann (here) Commissioner Grady (here)
Commissioner Vannoni (absent)

Attendees: Captain Reiss, Chief Cipriano, FF Klingberg, Assistant Chief Imilinski, FAM Prendergast

1. Commissioner Grady spoke to the Board about getting the fez ability study for consolidation done by the DCA, and stated he would be asking the mayor for support, at the next Mayors Meeting. The Board discussed it, and it was noted that Chews and Erial had tabled the discussion for now.
2. Commissioner McCann handed out the budget worksheets for the new 2020 budget. He asked the Board to have their numbers, or estimates by 9/25. He also discussed the rumors, about District # 4 being in debt. He stated District # 4 does not have a mortgage, lease payments, vehicle payments or any other outstanding debt to substantiate the claims.
3. The Board discussed possible Budget Meeting dates, 9/25, 10/30, 11/2 Saturday if needed, 11/6 after the Workshop or 11/7.
4. Captain Reiss discussed a possible truck purchase with District # 2. Members of the Board expressed their opinions on the subject.
5. Chief Cipriano stated he has looked into the purchase of a new Command vehicle, and the cost was approximately \$60,000.00. He stated he had submitted it to Commissioner R. Jones. He did state his first priority is a new fire truck. He went on to say that he believes the Board needs to get rid of the excess apparatus, but still hold onto one truck for Engine 88. There was a discussion on leasing vehicles.
6. Chief Cipriano had 2 points on the budget:
 - A. A grant for new tools and airbags.
 - B. Replace computers on the trucks with tablets with a key board. They are 1/3 of the price, approximately \$1200.00. MBC'S that we currently have which were bought as refurbished.

Captain Reiss added the Board should scrap the old computer plan, as everything is mismatched, and suggested the Board start with a clean slate, re-do the entire program. He also suggested doing away with all the cell phones assigned to the apparatus.

7. Chief Cipriano discussed the Fire Police, what the district would be responsible for. At of this time, it is in the hands of Camden County Council. Board would be responsible for the vehicle maintenance.

With nothing further to discuss.

Motion by Commissioner Grady, second by Commissioner McCann to adjourn.

DATED: September 4, 2019

BY: _____
Commissioner Grady, Secretary