

**Commissioners of Fire District No.1
Franklin Township, Somerset County
New Jersey
OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES
WORK MEETING OF APRIL 3, 2020**

The conference call meeting (due to the COVID-19 pandemic) was called to order at 5:06 p.m. on 1-646-307-1479, pass 950181 by Chairman Wickman, followed by the salute to the flag and reading of the Sunshine Law Statement. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing a notice to the Home News Tribune and the Courier News and by filing a notice with the Clerk of Franklin Township and by posting a notice in the Municipal Building, DeMott Lane, Somerset, NJ, all of which contain information concerning hours and places of these meetings.

Commissioners Wickman, Goldberg, Janho, Hibbard and Shimalla were present.

New Business:

- COVID-19 – Discussion on protocols
- Notification to chiefs for staging outside the firehouse with extra clothing allowance
- SOG update - discussion on call volume
- Masks N95 vs surgical masks – discussion on using SCBA's – IAR to help with response
- Jim-Chiefs looking at 2 company response – internal suggested at SOG meeting during daytime calls – dispatch protocol not changing right now

Commissioner Goldberg made a motion to open the meeting to the public second by Commissioner Hibbard. All in favor.

Commissioner Goldberg made a motion to close the meeting to the public, second by Commissioner Janho. All in favor.

Commissioner Wickman made a motion to suspend the meeting, second by Commissioner Hibbard Resolution 20-19 to go into executive session- Board polled All in favor: 6:00

Back from Executive session 7:35

Commissioner Goldberg - motion to authorize and make payment to staff and chiefs additional stipend of \$2,500.00 each. Ask them to submit a voucher if they want it immediately. Second by Commissioner Wickman. Board polled all in favor.

Commissioner Goldberg - motion to authorize starting March 9, 2020 to May 31, 2020, clothing allowance raised to \$12.00. Dec 1, 2019 to March 8, 2020 - \$6.00, second by Commissioner Wickman. Board polled – all in favor.

Commissioner Wickman made a motion to close the meeting, second by Commissioner Hibbard. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Janho
Clerk