Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District #2
Township of South Brunswick

Regular Meeting
Third Monday at 7:30 P.M.
Monmouth Junction Fire House

P.O. Box 114
Monmouth Junction, N.J. 08852

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
December 2, 2013
7:00 PM

1. ***Notice of Compliance***

   This meeting is being held in compliance with the Public Law Meeting Notice of the Public Laws of 1975. Notice of this meeting was given by way of paid notice published in the South Brunswick Post and The Home News Tribune. The notice was also posted in at least 5 public places and on the bulleting board of the South Brunswick Township Municipal Building at least 10 days prior to the meeting date .
2. ***Roll Call***
3. ***Order of Business***
   - A. Presentation on Proposed Capital Appropriations for 2014
   - B. Public Comment/Questions on Proposed Capital Appropriations
   - C. Public Election on Proposed Capital Appropriations
   - D. Election Results
   - E. Final Presentation/Discussion on 2014 Budget
   - F. Resolution #13-27, Approval of 2014 Budget
4. ***Voucher List***

   (See Attached)
5. ***Address From Floor***
6. ***Adjournment***

Voucher List

A	Midco Waste #689	254.51
B	Brookview Volunteer Fire Company	500.00
C	Cranbury Volunteer Fire Company	500.00
D	Jamesburg Fire Department	500.00
E	North Brunswick Volunteer Fire Company #2	500.00
F	Monmouth Junction First Aid Squad	10,400.00
G	Scott Smith	800.00
H	Continental Fire & Safety, Inc.	443.01
I	Electronic Measurement Labs, Inc.	569.00
J	Richard M. Braslow, Esq.	112.00
K	VFIS	2,140.10
L	Scott Smith	40.60
M	K.C. Service	248.85
N	Ray Dasant	382.61
O	Home News Tribune	19.76
P	White Brothers Masonry	6,000.00
Q	Roth Bros., Inc.	1,046.40
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SPECIAL MEETING
SOUTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS – DISTRICT #2
December 2, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Spahr at 7:00 pm followed by a salute to the flag.

2. NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE:

Chairman Spahr read the Public Laws Meeting Notice of the Public Laws of 1975 and the Special Meeting Notice.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Comm. Bellizio
Comm. Potts
Comm. Smith
Comm. Young
Chairman Spahr

4. ORDER OF BUSINESS

Presentation on Proposed Capital Appropriations for 2014

Comm. Young gave a presentation on the two proposed capital appropriations for 2014 (see attached).

The first proposed appropriation is for vehicle extrication equipment at a total cost of $10,000.00. This is for the purchase of a Hurst High-Pressure Model SC557 Combination Cutter/Spreader tool and two (2) extension hoses.

The second proposed appropriation is for gym equipment and new flooring for the weight room at Station 20 at a total cost of $15,000.00.

Public Comment/Questions on Proposed Capital Appropriations

Chairman Spahr clarified that there are two separate questions on the ballot for the vehicle extrication equipment and gym equipment.

Chairman Spahr opened the floor to the public for any questions or comments on the proposed capital appropriations.

No one from the floor desired to address the Board.

Public Election on Proposed Capital Appropriations

Comm. Potts clarified that if the capital appropriations are approved in the election tonight, it gives the Commissioners the authorization to place the appropriations in the 2014 budget. Comm. Potts further explained that the election does not give the Board permission to order the equipment; the 2014 budget will still need to be passed at the February 2014 election before the equipment can be ordered.

Comm. Potts explained that voters must be registered and reside within Fire District #2 to be eligible to vote. Voters present completed the sign-in sheet, listing name, street address and signature before being issued a ballot.

Election Results
Comm. Young read aloud the results of the ballots as Comm. Potts kept a tally.

Comm. Potts reported that there were 14 votes in favor of and no votes against Question #1 regarding the vehicle extrication equipment.

Comm. Potts reported that there were 15 votes in favor of and no votes against Question #2 regarding the gym equipment.

Final Presentation/Discussion on 2014 Budget
Comm. Young distributed copies of the proposed 2014 Budget to the Commissioners and reviewed the highlights of the proposal.

Comm. Young reported that he incorporated all of the changes that were discussed at the last meeting.

Comm. Young further reported that the ratable base for 2014 is projected at $2.038 billion, which is an increase of $837,000 from the 2013 actual ratable base. The amount to be raised by taxation is $853,602, which represents an increase of $24,737. This is the first increase in the last 3 budget years. The tax rate is .042 per hundred, which is .001 higher than the current year actual rate of .041, but the same as the current year budgeted rate. The total appropriations for 2014 is $1,072,658.

Comm. Young reported that the proposed budget is $20,333 under the cap ceiling. Comm. Young further reported that the Board has not exceeded the cap ceiling since the law took effect and that there is an estimated cap bank of $68,132 for 2015.

Comm. Young reported that as a result of tonight's vote, the capital appropriations will be included in the 2014 budget.

Comm. Young reported that the next order of business will be to discuss a resolution to approve the 2014 budget. Comm. Young further reported that there will be a public hearing on the budget at the January meeting and the public vote will be held on the third Saturday in February.

Resolution #13-27, Approval of 2014 Budget
Comm. Smith made a motion seconded by Comm. Bellizio to approve Resolution #13-27. Roll Call Comm. Bellizio-yes, Comm. Potts-yes, Comm. Smith-yes, Comm. Young-yes, Chairman Spahr-yes.

5. VOUCHER LIST

A motion made by Comm. Potts seconded by Comm. Bellizio to approve the voucher list at posted. Roll Call Comm. Bellizio-yes, Comm. Potts-yes, Comm. Smith-yes, Comm. Young-yes, Chairman Spahr-yes.

6. ADDRESS FROM THE FLOOR

No one from the floor desired to address the Board.

7. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Bellizio seconded by Comm. Smith and by a voice vote all voted in affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Smith, Fire District Coordinator

SOUTH BRUNSWICK TWP. FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2

PROPOSED CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2014

December 2, 2013 Special Meeting

2014 Proposed Capital Appropriations

- The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 2 are asking the legal voters tonight to vote on raising money for the acquisition of the following two capital projects:
- Vehicle Extrication Equipment - $10,000
- Firefighter Fitness Equipment - $15,000
- A favorable vote on either one or both questions will allow the inclusion of same in the 2014 budget per N.J.S.A. 40A:14-84.

Vehicle Extrication Equipment

- MJFD Chief Scott Smith reported to the Commissioners at the July 2013 Fire District meeting that the Fire Department had been encountering difficulties with the current Hurst rescue tools ("Jaws of Life") at accident scenes.
- Specifically, the high-strength steels used in new vehicle construction were resulting in increased patient extrication times when using the current hydraulic cutters.
- The existing system operated at 5,000 PSI, with some of the tools approximately 30 years old.
- As such, Chief Smith requested permission to purchase a new high-pressure (10,000 PSI) system, consisting of a cutter, pump, and (2) extension hoses this year.

Vehicle Extrication Equipment

- At the July meeting, the Commissioners approved Resolution #13-18, Authorizing an Emergency Authorization for Vehicle Extrication Equipment. Total cost: $15,298.25.
- The Township Council approved a resolution at their July 23, 2013 meeting for the emergency appropriation by the Fire District.
- The equipment was ordered and placed in service in early October; and has since been used during training sessions and at actual rescue calls.

Vehicle Extrication Equipment

- It is the goal of the Fire Department Line Officers to implement a multi-year replacement program to switch all rescue tools to the Hurst high-pressure system.
- For 2014: Combination Tool & (2) Extension Hoses: Approximately $10,000.00.
- 2015: Main Power Unit, Spreader, Cutter & Pre-Connect Hose Reels: Approximately $33,000.00.
- 2016: (4) Rams. Approximately $19,000.00.

SC 557 Combination Tool (Cutter/Spreader)

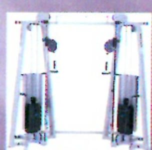
Purchase in 2014

Firefighter Fitness Equipment

- Proposal is to replace existing equipment in the weight room at Station 20.
- Current weight room equipment is nearly all original from when the facility was first opened in 1997 (approx. 16 years old).
- New equipment is more state-of-the-art and will give firefighters increased training options.
- Four new pieces of apparatus will replace existing multi-station Vectra machine.
- Existing carpeting/matting will be replaced.

APOLLO 2-STATION WITH HORIZONTAL MULTI-PRESS & LEG EXTENSION / LEG CURL

PRECOR ICARIAN FUNCTIONAL TRAINING WORKSTATION



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PRECOR FUNCTIONAL TRAINING PULLDOWN HEAVY WEIGHT STACK

REPLACEMENT FLOORING

2014 BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 13-27

SOUTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP

Fire District No. 2
FISCAL YEAR: From January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget for the South Brunswick Fire District No. 2 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014 has been presented before the Board of Commissioners of the Fire District No. 2 at its open public meeting of December 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the budget as introduced is in compliance with the Property Tax Levy Cap Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.44 et. seq.) and,

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as introduced reflects Total Revenues of $1,072,658, which includes amount to be raised by taxation of $853,602 and Total Appropriations of $1,072,658; and

WHEREAS, the amount to be raised by taxation to support the district budget shall be the amount to be certified to the assessor of the municipality to be assessed against the taxable property in the district, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:14-79. Such amount shall be equal to the amount of the total appropriations set forth in the budget minus the total amount surplus and miscellaneous revenues set forth in the budget; and

WHEREAS, in calculating the amount to be raised by taxation, the Fire District No. 2 has taken into account the assessed valuation of taxable property in the Fire District No. 2,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire District No. 2, at an open public meeting held on December 2, 2013 that the Annual Budget, including appended Supplemental Schedules, of the South Brunswick Fire District No. 2 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014 is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the anticipated revenues as reflected in the Annual Budget are of sufficient amount to meet all proposed expenditures/expenses and all covenants, terms and provisions as stipulated in the said Fire District No. 2 's outstanding debt obligations, capital lease arrangements, service contracts, and other pledged agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the South Brunswick Fire District No. 2 will consider the Annual Budget for adoption on January 21, 2014.

Roger S Potts
(Secretary's Signature)

12-2-2013
(Date)

Board of Commissioners Recorded Vote

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
K.Bellizio	✓			
R. Potts	✓			
C. Smith	✓			
T. Young	✓			
C. Spahr	✓			