

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

December 12, 2011

Chairman Hansch called the meeting to order on the above mentioned date at 8:00 pm, at the Fire Commissioner's office at 434 Route 10, Whippany, NJ.

Commissioners present: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko Cobane & Hansch

Absent: None

Also Present: Chief Cortright, Township Committee Liaison George Coppola

At this time the Chairman read the following: Pursuant to statutes made and provided, let the minutes show that notice of this meeting was transmitted to the following newspapers: The Regional weekly and the Daily Record and filed with the clerk of the Township of Hanover and the Clerk of this Board.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The chairman called for the acceptance of the pre-meeting minutes and the regular minutes from last month. There was one error pointed out which has since been corrected. Comm. Cobane made a motion to accept last month's minutes. The move was seconded by Comm. J. Mihalko and it was carried by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's report was submitted. Comm. Cobane moved that we accept the Treasurer's Report. Comm. M. Mihalko seconded the move and it was carried by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

General Checking Account #7859643244

TD Bank

Balance On Hand - October 31, 2011	\$120,428.04
November Checks	(\$84,132.32)

Deposits for the Month of November 2011

Township of Hanover	False Alarms	\$600.00
Barclays Capital	Permits & Fees	\$497.00
JCC Metrowest	Permits & Fees	\$42.00
Blispak	Permits & Fees	\$42.00
Township of Hanover	District Taxes	\$208,587.50
	Reimbursement/Diesel	
Town of Morristown	Spill	\$1,615.83
Interest	TD Bank	\$12.87

Balance on Hand, November 30, 2011

\$247,692.92

TD Bank Money Market

Balance on Hand November 30, 2011 \$2,828.19

Payroll Checking Account # 7859643251

TD Bank

Balance on Hand November 30, 2011 \$747.60

Active Assets Account #615 108684 107

Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney

Balance on Hand November 30, 2011 \$705,661.85

Checks Submitted This Month's Meeting \$139,087.59

CHIEF'S / FIRE OFFICIAL REPORT

Supplies, Equipment, and Maintenance

- Office supplies were purchased from Staples.
- Supplies were purchased from Politi Auto Parts.
- ACE Com repaired 3 pagers.
- Clean Air Company repaired the exhaust system. (warranty)
- R&J Control serviced and tested the generator.

Apparatus

- The mechanic from First Priority could not find anything wrong with the transmission on Engine 83.

Training

- During the month of November we had a hands on training drill for elevator emergencies at 35 Airport Road this was a continuation of the classroom drill we had in October. We also went to the fire academy. This drill was conducted on a Thursday evening due to scheduling conflicts. We went with about 18 members 12 who were interior firefighters and everyone had more time to participate. As we move forward with next year's training when we go to the fire academy we will be going two consecutive nights with smaller groups so everyone gets more work in.
- We conducted a meeting with all members regarding 2012 training. We had an open discussion regarding what topics they wanted to see for next year. We will also be conducting more training for 2012.
- No training for the month of December.

Purchases

- Tire for units 202, 84, and 86.

1.	Max Finkelstein and Morristown Tire (state contract)	\$2,059.36
2.	Gogel Tire	\$2,192.83

- 10 Pagers

1.	Ace Com each	\$359.00	\$3590.00
2.	P&W Service	\$359.00	\$3590.00

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Fire Prevention

- (45) inspections / re-inspections were conducted last month and \$1,120.00 dollars in permits were collected.

EMS

- (34) calls were answered last month and we transported 3 times.

Fire

- (48) calls and drills were answered last month.

Other Matters and Announcements

- We are in the process of moving back into the firehouse. We should be complete by the end of the week.
- We have 2 new junior members joining tomorrow evening.
- I received the plans for the Bayer project they are going to the Planning Board before the end of the year.
- Last week I met with Chief's Davidson and Gallagher, Captain Waldron and Tom Quirk regarding upgrades to the police desk. By them doing this it will enhance the dispatching capabilities of the Police desk. It would bring it close to the County Dispatch capabilities.
- I conducted yearly fire evacuation training at Town Hall for all employees.
- The 2011 clothing allowance has been completed and checks are ready for signatures.
- The railroad track project on Troy Hills Road has been completed. During this project we asked Roy Aull who is in charge of the Board of Education Buildings and Grounds Department if we could park an engine in the bus garage overnight and they helped us out and accommodated us. We will be sending them a thank you letter.
- I will be attending a pre construction meeting this Thursday regarding the replacement of the Whippany Road Bridge.
- All of the paperwork for Mike Yavorski's insurance claim has been filed.

CHIEF'S UPDATE:

A motion was made to accept the above Chief's Report. This motion was made by Comm. Cobane and was seconded by M. Mihalko. It was carried by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

COMMUNICATIONS

- The minutes from the State Association of Fire Districts were handed out to each Commissioner.
- A letter from the JCC thanking the Chief for attending their 10th anniversary ceremony.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel: Two new Junior members joining tomorrow night.

Building: Nothing at this time.

Apparatus: Nothing at this time.

Insurance: We have 2 policies that cover the same thing so we are opting to eliminate the Police and Fire Plan. This will save us \$30,000 / year. We still have a good plan that covers men on their way to a fire and all the way back to home. The other one covers the men 24/7. The Police and Fire plan will be offered to the men if they wish to pay for it themselves.

Dinner: All set.

Mementos: All set. Should be in any day.

First Aid: It was reported that EMS responded to 34 calls this month, making 478 for the year.

LIASIONS:

Town: George asked for a summary report that he can present at the town's reorganization meeting. He likes to put a packet together.

George will also talk to Mr. Kramer to see if he would like to meet with some of the township committee. He would rather that meeting take place after the reorganization meeting so everyone hears the same thing.

Fire Company: Nothing at this time.

Relocation: Nothing at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill Kramer will be back Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday for more interviews. Henry is providing members with his email and phone number so they can directly contact him.

He says the first draft will be coming out soon.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Comm. J. Mihalko to approve the Chief's request for tires for Cars 84, 86 & 202. These would come from Morristown Tire at a cost of \$140 each set. The motion was seconded by Comm. Barz and passed by the following vote;

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

The Chief has also requested the purchase of new pagers. After a discussion, the Board determined that we would purchase 30 pagers for now. The motion to approve this purchase was made by Comm. Barz and seconded by Comm. J. Mihalko. It was passed by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

A motion was made to approve the 2012-2015 contract with Local 109. The motion was made by Comm. M. Mihalko and seconded by Comm. Hansch. It was passed by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

The Board then thanked the members of Local 109 who were present for working so hard with the Board on establishing this new contract. They had many good suggestions and were instrumental in making this come to pass.

The Local 109 members then thanked the Board also for working with them.

STATE HEALTH BENEFITS:

The Chairman then read the state plan for health benefits form and asked for a resolution to approve it as the new health benefit plan. A motion was made to do so by Comm. M. Mihalko and seconded by Comm. Cobane. It passed by the following vote;

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

The Chairman then did a second reading of the 2012 Budget. Comm. Barz made a motion to accept the budget, which was then seconded by Comm. Cobane. It was passed by the following roll call vote:

M. Mihalko: AYE, Barz: AYE, J. Mihalko: AYE, Cobane: AYE, & Hansch: AYE

NAYS: None

The Chairman then read aloud and submitted a resolution to continue our Haz-Mat response with the County of Morris Board of Chosen Freeholders. It will now be extended 180 days or more, unless someone wants to back out. The motion to sign and approve this agreement was made by Comm. Barz and seconded by Comm. J. Mihalko. It was passed by the following vote;

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

The Chief then made his recommendation for Randy Polo as Deputy Chief for the year 2012. A motion to accept this recommendation and approve Randy as Deputy Chief was made Comm. Barz. It was seconded by Comm. M. Mihalko and passed by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

The Chief then made his recommendation for Tom Rebyak as Assistant Chief for the year 2012. A motion to accept this recommendation and approve Tom as Assistant Chief was made Comm. J. Mihalko. It was seconded by Comm. Cobane and passed by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

Commissioner Cobane announced that his term and that of the Chairman, Henry Hansch was up this year and both were eligible to run for re-election. Anyone wishing to run for these 2 positions needs to fill out a petition and have it back by the 20th of January.

The election will be the 3rd Saturday in February – the 18th.

Comm. Cobane thanked the men present for the good job they did today saving the condos after a dryer fire.

PUBLIC PART OF THE MEETING

There were 8 members of the public present.

No comments were made.

BILLS

Comm. Barz moved that the following bills be paid. The move was seconded by Comm. J. Mihalko and was carried by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

11/02/2011	5113	Verizon Wireless	Utilities	-740.58
11/02/2011	5114	NRS Rescue	Boots	-133.17
11/02/2011	5116	Witmer Associates, Inc	Operating Materials & Supplies	-135.71
11/02/2011	5117	Politi Auto Parts	Operating Materials & Supplies	-9.40
11/02/2011	5118	Liberty Mutual Insurance Group	Workers Compensation	-2,999.00
11/04/2011	5119	First Priority Emergency Vehicles	Repairs & Maintenance	-2,167.38
11/04/2011	5120	J C P & L	Utilities	-3.25
11/04/2011	5122	Lake Hopatcong Marine Corp.	Other	-564.53
11/07/2011	5123	Jonach Electronics	Operating Materials & Supplies	-48.00
11/07/2011	5124	Coffee Lovers	Coffee	-176.75
11/07/2011	5125	Finish Line Car Wash	Car Washes	-20.59
11/09/2011	5126	Coffee Lovers	Coffee	-120.99
11/09/2011	5127	Batteries Plus	Batteries	-145.96
11/09/2011	5128	PSE&G	Utilities	-13.70
11/09/2011	5129	J C P & L	Utilities	-393.46

11/09/2011	5130	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	Office Supplies	-34.96
11/09/2011	5131	Schleifer Construction, Inc.	Operating Materials & Supplies	-22,331.22
11/09/2011	5132	Police & Firemen's Insurance Association	Employee Benefits	-7,160.79
11/15/2011		Board of Fire Commissioners	Payroll	-14,444.01
11/21/2011	5137	Oxford Health Plan	Medical Benefits	-7,511.79
11/21/2011	5138	Standard Insurance Co	Life Insurance	-1,630.80
11/21/2011	5139	Horizon Blue Cross & Blue Shield of NJ	Dental	-447.30
11/21/2011	5140	Firefighter One, LLC	Meters	-544.20
11/21/2011	5141	Office Equipment Finance Services	Copy Machine lease	-255.00
11/21/2011	5142	Batteries Plus	Batteries	-103.98
11/21/2011	5143	First Priority Emergency Vehicles	Engine 83	-320.00
11/21/2011	5144	Township of Hanover	Diesel	-267.57
11/21/2011	5146	Shell Fleet	Fuel Vouchers	-709.81
11/21/2011	5145	Lexis-Nexis	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-232.65
11/21/2011	5148	CF Services	Engine 81	-176.88
11/21/2011	5149	Brunners Garage	#84	-232.46
11/21/2011	5150	Township of Hanover	Gasoline	-754.37
11/21/2011	5151	Daily Record	Advertising	-44.36
11/29/2011	5152	Minerva Cleaners	Gear Cleaning	-252.50
11/29/2011	5153	Cablevision	Utilities	-244.02
11/29/2011	5154	Daily Record	Advertising	-41.24
11/29/2011	5155	NFPA/National Fire Protection Assoc	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-855.00
11/30/2011		Board of Fire Commissioners	payroll	-13,721.94
12/01/2011	5157	Verizon Wireless	Utilities	-848.83
12/01/2011	5158	Politi Auto Parts	Operating Materials & Supplies	-138.99
12/01/2011	5159	Michael Mihalko	Comm. / Treasurer	-2,600.00
12/01/2011	5160	Julie Mihalko	Commissioners	-2,000.00
12/01/2011	5161	Ronald Barz	Commissioners	-2,000.00
12/01/2011	5162	Henry Hansch	Comm / Chairman	-2,600.00
12/01/2011	5163	Robert Cobane	Comm. / Secretary	-2,600.00
12/01/2011	5164	Tom Rebyak	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-600.00
12/01/2011	5165	Randy Polo	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-600.00
12/05/2011	5166	J C P & L	Utilities	-770.03
12/05/2011	5167	First Priority Emergency Vehicles	Engine 81	-179.02
12/05/2011	5168	Finish Line Car Wash	Car Washes	-19.50
12/05/2011	5169	Fire Fighters Equipment Company Inc.	Repairs & Maintenance	-426.50
12/07/2011	5170	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	Office Supplies	-272.94
12/07/2011	5171	Township of Hanover	Diesel	-171.44
12/07/2011	5172	J C P & L	Utilities	-66.68
12/07/2011	5173	PSE&G	Utilities	-446.00
12/07/2011	5174	Police & Firemen's Insurance Association	Police & Fire Insurance	-217.06
12/07/2011	5175	Whippany Fire Company	Rentals / Training	-5,800.00
12/07/2011	5176	POSTMASTER	Office Supplies	-88.00
12/07/2011	5177	Hanover Township Fire Prevention	Joint Purchase Agreements	-2,000.00
12/09/2011	5178	George Adams	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-366.00
12/09/2011	5179	Ronald Barz	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-431.00
12/09/2011	5180	Ben Bradley	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-366.00
12/09/2011	5181	Fred Brunner	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-141.00

12/09/2011	5182	Rob Cobane	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5183	Robert Cobane	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-427.00
12/09/2011	5184	Thomas Cobane	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5185	Michael Cook	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-598.00
12/09/2011	5186	Tim Cook	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-286.00
12/09/2011	5187	Dale Cowley	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-499.00
12/09/2011	5188	Michael Cowley	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5189	Tim Culver	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-831.00
12/09/2011	5190	Anthony Cunder	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,524.00
12/09/2011	5191	Frank DeMaio	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-278.00
12/09/2011	5192	Alex Fidalgo	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-217.00
12/09/2011	5193	John Goldberg	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-251.00
12/09/2011	5194	Michael Goldberg	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-857.00
12/09/2011	5195	John Graziano	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-358.00
12/09/2011	5196	Henry Hansch	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-770.00
12/09/2011	5197	Pauline Heizmann	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-267.00
12/09/2011	5198	Paul Janciewicz	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-171.00
12/09/2011	5199	Robert Johnston	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-213.00
12/09/2011	5200	Ken Jubinski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5201	John V. Keena	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-567.00
12/09/2011	5202	Brian Kelly	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5203	Jonathan Kelly	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5204	Tim Kelly	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/09/2011	5205	Jack Koba	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-232.00
12/09/2011	5207	Robert F Krygoski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-324.00
12/09/2011	5206	Tim Langdon	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-682.00
12/09/2011	5208	Craig Leaman	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-213.00
12/09/2011	5209	Anthony Lori	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,368.00
12/09/2011	5210	Joseph Makowski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,097.00
12/09/2011	5211	Joseph Mihalko, Jr.	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,246.00
12/09/2011	5212	Glen Molchan	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-312.00
12/09/2011	5213	Randy Polo	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-545.00
12/09/2011	5214	Tom Rebyak	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-640.00
12/09/2011	5215	Travis Roy	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-267.00
12/09/2011	5216	Derrick Shearer	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-834.00
12/09/2011	5217	Marc Sieka	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-160.00
12/09/2011	5218	Nick Tseles	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-366.00
12/09/2011	5219	Steve Willans	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-469.00
12/09/2011	5220	Henry Winters	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-427.00
12/09/2011	5221	Thomas Wodynski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-156.00
12/09/2011	5223	William Wodynski	Reimbursement for	-850.00

			Expenses/Loss	
12/09/2011	5224	Raymond Woytas	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-202.00
12/09/2011	5225	Timothy Woytas	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-191.00
12/09/2011	5226	Frank Minerowicz	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-152.00
12/09/2011	5227	Kyle Wodynski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-652.00
12/09/2011	5228	Morristown Memorial	Medical	-907.00
12/09/2011	5229	Nestle Pure Life Direct	Water	-12.40
12/12/2011	5230	Daily Record	Advertising	-43.84
12/12/2011	5231	Jesse Quadrel	Building Maintenance	-235.00
12/12/2011	5232	R&J Control, Inc	Generator	-305.64
12/12/2011	5233	All Jersey Garage Doors	Building Maintenance	-775.00
12/12/2011	5234	Liberty Mutual Insurance Group	Workers Compensation	-2,999.00
12/12/2011	5235	ACE Com	Pager Repair	-115.45
12/12/2011	5236	PSE&G	Utilities	-81.02
12/12/2011	5237	Batteries Plus	Batteries	<u>-39.93</u>

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Comm. Cobane then made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Comm. J. Mihalko and passed by the following vote:

AYES: M. Mihalko, Barz, J. Mihalko, Cobane, & Hansch

NAYS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18

Respectfully submitted, Janet Gant-Hammond, Board Assistant