

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

January 14, 2013

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, Chief Davidson & Township 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, the special budget meeting minutes and the regular minutes from last month. Comm. J. Mihalko made a motion to accept last month's minutes with the revision in place. The move was seconded by Comm. Cobane and it was carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's report was submitted. Comm. Cobane moved that we accept the Treasurer's Report. Comm. Barz 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 - November 30, 2012		\$221,847.11
December checks		(\$181,589.81)
Add in Voided Check	R Polo # 5640	\$243.42

Deposits for the Month of December 2012

Aphena Pharma	Permits & Fees	\$42.00
Township of Hanover	False alarms	\$275.00
Tiffany Co.	Permits & Fees	\$42.00
Tiffany Co.	Permits & Fees	\$497.00
Paulie Gs	Permits & Fees	\$42.00
Whippany Fire Co	Capital Projects Fund	\$295,095.88
Township of Hanover	District Taxes	\$109,887.50
Township of Hanover	Permits & Fees	\$42.00
Interest	TD bank	\$21.42

Balance on Hand, December 31, 2012

\$446,445.52

TD Bank Money Market

Balance on Hand December 31, 2012

\$2,831.25

Payroll Checking Account # 7859643251

TD Bank

Balance on Hand December 30, 2012

7481.44

Active Assets Account #615 108684 107

Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney

Balance on Hand December 30, 2012

\$685,581.08

Checks Submitted This Month's Meeting

\$192,209.01

CHIEF'S / FIRE OFFICIAL REPORT and COMMENTS

The following Chief's report was submitted for approval.

A motion to accept this report 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

Supplies, Equipment, and Maintenance

- New hydrant markers were installed.
- Equipment was purchased from the Firestore.com.
- Office supplies were purchased at Staples.
- On December 12, 2012 Firefighter 1 and a representative from MSA came to the station and went over our multi gas meters and conducted a complimentary inspection and test of all of our meters because of Hurricane Sandy. They replaced sensors and calibrated our meters free of charge. One meter was not operating correctly and was sent out for repairs. There quick estimation of cost savings to us was approximately \$600.00.

Apparatus

- Engine 83 exhaust was replaced.
- All apparatus were serviced.
- Engine 82 has been returned and put back into service.

Training

- No training for the month of December.
- Training for the month of January will be Blood Bourne and Hazardous Communications. SCBA refresher. RIC training.

Purchases

- No requests for the month.

Fire Prevention

- (71) Inspections / re-inspections were conducted last month and \$623.00 dollars in permits were collected.

EMS

- (35) Calls were answered last month and we assisted with 2 transports.

Fire

- (50) Calls were answered last month.

Other Matters and Announcements

- We received a donation from Vision Equities who are the new owners of 115 South Jefferson Road. We had an agreement with the previous owners of the property when they decommissioned the front building and removed all of the sprinklers, disconnected the water supply, and installed a fusible link alarm system in the building they purchased hose, nozzles and appliances to be set in place near the stand pipe connections in the building for our use. When it came time to take the building down they would give us all of the hose, nozzles and appliances that they purchased. Vision Equities subsequently purchased the property before any demolition took place but they honored the word from the previous owners. We received 4 nozzles, 2 gated “Y’s” 600 feet of 1 ¾” hose and 1200 feet of 2 ½” hose. This donation is worth a couple thousand dollars.
- We have moved to the BP Station for our gas voucher program.
- I sent a letter to GlaxoSmithKline requesting a donation of Water Rescue Equipment. I met a representative at the Morris County 200 Club last year. When they heard our stories about the rescues that we made they called me and wanted to try and help us out with a donation.
- LOSAP for 2012 has been completed and will be posted in the firehouse.
- Chris Gannon has moved from a junior firefighter to a probationary firefighter. He also completed his FF 1 requirements and is a certified interior firefighter.

COMMUNICATIONS

- A letter from the Relief Association requesting use of the building for their meetings this year. Dates will be: Jan 9th, March 13th, June 12th, Sept. 25th, and Nov. 13th. Meetings to take place at 434 Route 10 at 7:30.

A motion was made to allow the above meetings to take place at 434 Route 10. The motion was made by Comm. J. Mihalko and seconded by Comm. Cobane. It passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

Building: Nothing at this time.

Apparatus: Chris Foer serviced all the engines. Eng 81 needs a new steering box. It is leaking fluid.

Insurance: Nothing new at this time.

Dinner: All ready to go..

First Aid: It was reported that EMS responded to 35 calls this month, and 2 transports.

Cedar Knolls: Nothing at this time.

LIASIONS:

FIRE COMPANY AND RELOCATION:

Fred Brunner reported that the Company is now the proud owners of the house at 434 Route 10.

Things are starting to happen. They met with the town engineer and planner to discuss the cell tower subdivision and the Lori property.

They got the Company Planning Board approval for opening Troy Hills Rd. We have to go in front of planning board for our property also. The 2nd Tuesday of February is their work session and they will do a courtesy review.

Our attorney, Arnold George will meet with Mr. Lori’s attorney, Mr. Moran to set a closing date.

Cell tower – we may need a couple of variances in order to subdivide. We may have to go in front of the Board of Adjustment. The big concern is access to the compound from School Street.

We should have a closing date by the end of the year and start moving forward.

Henry Winters is looking at the type of sign we will have. Were thinking of using old brick from this building but now are selling it intact. Henry is looking at all different mediums. We’re not putting

District No. 2 on the sign in case of a future merger. It will say Whippany Fire Company and maybe have the Indian head on it. It's up for discussion.

For the record, we officially signed the contract purchasing this house on Dec. 27th.

Town: George:

- Bayer may have furniture at their old facility. May be something to look into. Their new building will probably have all matching furniture and they will be looking to discard the old.
- Bridge should be done this month.
- Public Safety is the biggest concern after the Newtown incident. Township Committee has met with the mayor, superintendents of both school districts and they have a lot going on. They do not have an armed officer in every school, but they have increased patrols and are trying to see what can be done at the High School level. This is the top issue they're working on. Every month they run drills and they will be doing a big lockdown drill soon.
- Fire elections are on the 17th of February. If we need Vote by Mail ballots – let him know.
- Town Budget meeting is on Sunday, February 3rd in the morning.

8:15 - At this time, the Chairman declared a Public Hearing on the budget, and opened up the floor to the public for questions and concerns.

8:18 – After no comments from the floor, the regular meeting resumed.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

At this time, a motion was made by Comm. Cobane to replace the steering box on engine 81. The motion was seconded by Comm. J. Mihalko and passed by the following vote:

M. Mihalko – AYE, Barz – AYE, J.Mihalko – AYE, Cobane – AYE, Hansch – AYE

PUBLIC PART OF THE MEETING

There were no comments by the public at this meeting.

There were 7 members of the public in attendance.

BILLS

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

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

NAYS: None

12/03/2012	5752	Brunners Garage	Repairs and maintenance	-119.00
12/03/2012	5753	Water and Sewer Specialties LLC	Hydrants	-1,067.50
12/03/2012	5754	Politi Auto Parts	Operating Materials & Supplies	-60.78
12/03/2012	5755	Home Depot Credit Services	Operating Materials & Supplies	-34.11
12/03/2012	5756	Township of Hanover	Diesel	-84.86
12/05/2012	5757	Joseph Cortright	Operating Materials & Supplies	-370.00
12/05/2012	5758	Rios' Engraving	Engraving	-20.00
12/05/2012	5759	Robert Cobane	Comm / Secretary	-2,600.00
12/05/2012	5760	Julie Mihalko	Commissioners	-2,000.00
12/05/2012	5761	Henry Hansch	Comm / Chairman	-2,600.00
12/05/2012	5762	Ronald Barz	Commissioners	-2,000.00
12/05/2012	5763	Michael Mihalko	Comm / Treasurer	-2,600.00

12/05/2012	5764	Randy Polo	Training and Education	-600.00
12/05/2012	5765	Tom Rebyak	Training and Education	-600.00
12/05/2012	5766	George Adams	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-422.00
12/05/2012	5767	Harrison Bamdas	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-201.00
12/05/2012	5768	Ronald Barz	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-686.00
12/05/2012	5769	Ben Bradley	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-627.00
12/05/2012	5770	Fred Brunner	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-236.00
12/05/2012	5771	Rob Cobane	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/05/2012	5772	Robert Cobane	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-253.00
12/05/2012	5773	Thomas Cobane	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/05/2012	5774	Michael Cook	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-553.00
12/05/2012	5775	Tim Cook	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-370.00
12/05/2012	5776	Dale Cowley	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-384.00
12/05/2012	5777	Michael Cowley	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-517.00
12/05/2012	5778	Tim Culver	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-486.00
12/05/2012	5779	Anthony Cunder	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,070.00
12/05/2012	5780	Chris Gannon	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-165.00
12/05/2012	5781	John Goldberg	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-422.00
12/05/2012	5782	Michael Goldberg	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/05/2012	5783	Jesse Graziano	Operating Materials & Supplies	-391.00
12/05/2012	5785	John Graziano	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-289.00
12/05/2012	5784	Henry Hansch	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-725.00
12/05/2012	5786	Pauline Heizmann	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-271.00
12/05/2012	5787	Kevin Herbert	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-599.00
12/05/2012	5788	Paul Janciewicz	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-271.00
12/05/2012	5789	Robert Johnston	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-260.00
12/05/2012	5790	Ken Jubinski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-961.00
12/05/2012	5791	John V. Keena	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-503.00
12/05/2012	5792	Brian Kelly	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,200.00
12/05/2012	5793	Jonathan Kelly	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-824.00
12/05/2012	5794	Tim Kelly	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-760.00
12/05/2012	5795	Jack Koba	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-264.00
12/05/2012	5796	James Kralej	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-373.00
12/05/2012	5797	Robert F Krygoski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-183.00
12/05/2012	5798	Tim Langdon	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-507.00
12/05/2012	5799	Craig Leaman	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-303.00
12/05/2012	5800	Anthony Lori	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,500.00
12/05/2012	5801	Joseph Makowski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,380.00
12/05/2012	5802	Joseph Mihalko, Jr.	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-1,098.00
12/05/2012	5803	Randy Polo	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-753.00
12/05/2012	5804	Tom Rebyak	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-693.00

12/05/2012	5805	Derrick Shearer	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-778.00
12/05/2012	5806	Marc Sieka	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-324.00
12/05/2012	5807	Nick Tseles	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-306.00
12/05/2012	5808	Benjamen Willans	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-162.00
12/05/2012	5809	Steve Willans	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-458.00
12/05/2012	5810	Henry Winters	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-718.00
12/05/2012	5811	kyle Wodynski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-391.00
12/05/2012	5812	Tom Wodinski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-338.00
12/05/2012	5813	William Wodynski	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-891.00
12/05/2012	5814	Raymond Woytas	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-334.00
12/05/2012	5816	Timothy Woytas	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-208.00
12/05/2012	5815	Ricky Ziccarello	Reimbursement for Expenses/Loss	-271.00
12/10/2012	eft	State of New Jersey - Division of Pension	Medical Benefits	-14,281.22
12/10/2012	5817	Jonach Electronics	Radio Repair	-405.00
12/10/2012	5818	McNeil & Company	Insurance Premiums	-5,424.75
12/10/2012	5819	First Priority Emergency Vehicles	Engine 81	-176.09
12/10/2012	5820	State of New Jersey - Division of Pension	Pension Expense	-70.17
12/10/2012	5821	J C P & L	Utilities	-469.34
12/10/2012	5822	Brunners Garage	Utility 85	-1,144.65
12/10/2012	5823	Skylands Area Fire Equipment & Training	Turnout Gear	-605.00
12/10/2012	5824	Witmer Associates, Inc	Helmets	-106.00
12/10/2012	5825	Press Media Solutions	Advertising	-50.08
12/10/2012	5826	Township of Hanover	Gasoline	-481.81
12/10/2012	5827	Verizon Wireless	Utilities	-872.31
12/10/2012	5828	Fail Safe, Inc.	Hose	-178.50
12/10/2012	5829	Morris County Public Safety Training Acad	Training and Education	-125.00
12/10/2012	5831	Stephens Publishing Company	Promotion	-33.14
12/10/2012	5830	Safeguard Business Systems	Office Supplies	-200.57
12/13/2012	5832	Morristown Memorial	Medical	-737.00
12/13/2012	5833	Minerva Cleaners	Gear Cleaning	-124.50
12/13/2012	5834	Township of Hanover	Diesel	-226.85
12/13/2012	5835	Ken Jubinski	Operating Materials & Supplies	-42.80
12/13/2012	5836	Batteries Plus	Batteries	-913.40
12/14/2012	eft	Board of Fire Commissioners	Employee Payroll	-14,094.66
12/14/2012	5837	VFIS	Insurance Premiums	-7,594.00
12/14/2012	5838	NJ Press / Media Solutions	Advertising	-44.36
12/17/2012	5839	Shell Fleet	Fuel Vouchers	-1,354.91
12/21/2012	5840	Firehouse	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-49.95
12/21/2012	5841	Liberty Mutual Insurance Group	Workers Compensation	-4,024.90
12/21/2012	5842	Batteries Plus	Batteries	-38.88
12/21/2012	5843	Township of Hanover	Gasoline	-298.22
12/21/2012	5844	First Priority Emergency Vehicles	Engine 83	-1,153.61
12/21/2012	5845	Standard Insurance Co	Life Insurance	-1,721.40
12/21/2012	5846	SMCMUA	Utilities	-98.06
12/21/2012	5847	Fire Fighters Equipment Company Inc.	SCBA	-123.20
12/21/2012	5848	POSTMASTER	Office Supplies	-88.00
12/28/2012	5849	US Bank Equipment Finance	Copy Machine lease	-255.00

12/28/2012	5850	Coffee Lovers	Coffee	-325.49
12/28/2012	5851	ACS Firehouse Software	Computers	-2,994.00
12/28/2012	5852	Batteries Plus	Batteries	-7.95
12/31/2012	eft	PERS	Pension Expense	-1,728.27
12/31/2012	eft	PFRS	Pension Expense	-6,161.00
12/31/2012	eft	Board of Fire Commissioners	Employee Payroll	-13,919.67
12/31/2012	5853	Verizon Wireless	Utilities	-459.41
12/31/2012	5854	CDW Government	Computers	-189.12
12/31/2012	5855	Nestle Pure Life Direct	Water	-63.79
12/31/2012	5856	Rios' Engraving	Engraving	-20.00
12/31/2012	5857	Township of Hanover	Diesel	-306.88
12/31/2012	5862	Finish Line Car Wash	Car Washes	-6.50
12/31/2012	5858	Randy Polo	Operating Materials & Supplies	-243.42
12/31/2012	5859	Witmer Associates, Inc	Helmets	-1,047.61
12/31/2012	5860	Firefighter One, LLC	Other	-350.00
12/31/2012	5863	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	Office Supplies	-289.29
12/31/2012	5864	Batteries Plus	Batteries	-29.97
12/31/2012	5865	J C P & L	Utilities	-689.66
12/31/2012	5868	Firefighter One, LLC	Turnout Gear	-49.00
12/31/2012	5871	J C P & L	Utilities	-103.98
12/31/2012	5872	PSE&G	Utilities	-279.28
12/31/2012	5873	Police & Firemen's Insurance Association	Police & Fire Insurance	-441.56
12/31/2012	5874	PSE&G	Utilities	-386.74
12/31/2012	5884	CF Services	Repairs and maintenance	-5,105.64
12/31/2012	5886	Lincoln Financial	Employee Benefits-LOSAP	-1,175.00
12/31/2012	5885	Lincoln Financial	Employee Benefits-LOSAP	-45,377.00
01/07/2013	5861	Concern	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-500.00
01/07/2013	eft	NJ Division of Pensions & Benefits	Medical Benefits	-7,140.61
01/11/2013	5866	ACE Com	Engine 83	-217.75
01/11/2013	5867	Gann Law Books	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-178.00
01/11/2013	5869	Daily Record	Advertising	-43.58
01/11/2013	5870	Fire Fighters Equipment Company Inc.	Operating Materials & Supplies	-479.60
01/11/2013	5875	Police & Firemen's Insurance Association	Police & Fire Insurance	-470.40
01/11/2013	5876	First Responder Newspaper	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-130.00
01/11/2013	5877	Whippany Rotary Club	Membership Dues & Subscriptions	-237.00
01/11/2013	5878	SMCMUA	Utilities	-17.52
01/11/2013	5879	Hanover Sewerage Authority	Utilities	-112.16
01/11/2013	5880	Cablevision	Utilities	-475.64
01/11/2013	5882	Parker Publications	Advertising	-140.45
01/11/2013	5881	J C P & L	Utilities	-52.49
01/14/2013	5883	Morristown Memorial	Medical	-424.00
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				192,209.01

Comm. J. Mihalko made a motion to adjourn.

The motion was seconded by Comm. M. Mihalko and passed by the following vote;

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

NAYS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17.

Respectfully submitted:

Janet Gant-Hammond, Board Assistant