

Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District No. 4  
Jackson Township, New Jersey

Minutes of Special Meeting Held  
May 25, 2023

Notice of the time, date, location and agenda of this meeting to the extent then known, was duly published in the district's official newspapers, posted on its official bulletin board and filed with the office of the municipal clerk at least forty-eight hours in advance of this meeting. This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the terms and provisions of the "Open Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey.

**Call to Order:** the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Torres at 8:19 pm. Commissioner read the "Open Meetings Act" statement. All participated in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

**Roll Call:** Commissioners Couceiro, Goldman, Jamison, O'Brien and Torres were present. Board Attorney Braslow was not present.

**Executive Session** - Commissioner Couceiro motioned to accept the Resolution to take the Board into an executive session for the purpose of discussion of personnel matters seconded by Commissioner Goldman. Subject matter to be released when it is no longer considered privileged. Motion passed by unanimous consent at 8:25 p.m. The executive session ended at 8:30 p.m. and the Board reconvened continuing with the agenda.

**Public:** Commissioner Goldman motioned to amend his previous Resolution to end the provisional captain appointment of John Burmeister and return him to his position as Lieutenant, effective June 30, 2023. Commissioner Goldman seconded the amendment to the Resolution. Motion passed by unanimous consent (Ayes: Couceiro, Goldman, Jamison, O'Brien, Torres; No: 0; Absent: 0; Abstain: 0),

**Executive Session** - Commissioner Couceiro motioned to accept the Resolution to take the Board into an executive session for the purpose of discussion of personnel matters seconded by Commissioner O'Brien. Subject matter to be released when it is no longer considered privileged. Motion passed by unanimous consent at 8:34 p.m. The executive session ended at 8:49p.m. and the Board reconvened continuing with the agenda.

**Public:** Commissioner Jamison motioned to maintain John Burmeister as provisional captain through July 31, 2023 – at that point he will be retired, seconded by Commissioner Jamison. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Couceiro motioned to hire two firefighters off the certified list: John Fiore (start date of November 1, 2023) and Patrick McCloskey (start date of August 1, 2023) pending review and approval of labor counsel, seconded by Commissioner Goldman. Roll Call vote: Ayes: Couceiro, Goldman,

Jamison, O'Brien; No: Torres; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0). Motion passed by majority vote.

**Old Business:** Captain Leonard wanted to confirm that the board has a ratified copy of the subordinates contract.

Commissioner Jamison motioned to accept the subordinate contract of IAFS 4395, seconded by Commissioner Couceiro. Roll call vote: Ayes: Couceiro, Goldman, Jamison, Torres; No: 0; Abstain: O'Brien; Absent: 0). Motion passed by majority vote.

**New Business:** Commissioner O'Brien motioned to pay the single bill for Bricktown Electric, seconded by Commissioner Goldman. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Public:** FF Marrero thanked the Board on behalf of the union on getting the list certified and getting them the manpower that they have been requesting.

**Adjournment:** With no other business to come before the Board, Commissioner Couceiro motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien. Meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m. by Commissioner Torres.

  
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**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 4  
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON, COUNTY OF OCEAN**

**Resolution**

**Closing of Meeting Pursuant to  
Open Public Meetings Act**

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the Commissioners are allowed to engage in executive session during any particular meeting when it becomes necessary to discuss matters which the statute allows to be discussed in executive session; and

WHEREAS, it was necessary for the Commissioners to discuss various matters of personnel, and accordingly, the Commissioners met in executive session to discuss same.


NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 4 in the Township of Jackson, County of Ocean, as follows:

(1) The meeting of May 25, 2023 is closed and will be reopened at such time as the discussion in executive session has been completed.

(2) The minutes will be revealed to the public at such time as the matters discussed have been resolved.

Certification

I, Shane O'Brien, Clerk of the Commissioners of Fire District No. 4 in the Township of Jackson, County of Ocean, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Commissioners at a regular meeting held on May 25, 2023.

  
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Shane O'Brien, Clerk

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Commissioner Couciero and it was seconded by Commissioner O'Brien.

**RECORD OF VOTE**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Torres Jr.</b>	<b>Goldman</b>	<b>Jamison</b>	<b>O'Brien</b>	<b>Couceiro</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>No</b>					
<b>Not Voting</b>					
<b>Absent</b>					

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**Authorizing Hiring of Two Firefighters**

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WHEREAS, the Fire District deems it necessary to hire two (2) firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the civil service list relative to potential hires has previously been certified.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 4 in the Township of Jackson, County of Ocean, as follows:

(1) John Fiore is hereby hired as a firefighter with a commencement date of November 1, 2023 and Patrick McCloskey is hereby hired as a firefighter with a commencement date of August 1, 2023 with both hires pending review and approval of labor counsel.

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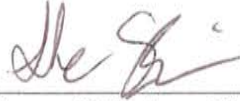
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