Meeting was called to order by Chairman Waddington at 7:33 P.M. Chairman Waddington led the salute to the flag and read the Open Public Meetings Act.

<u>Roll Call:</u> Commissioner Davis – *present*, Commissioner Hassett – *not present*, Commissioner Waddington – *present*, Commissioner Wakeley – *present*, Commissioner Warrington – *present*

Other Officials Present: Chief Dukes, Deputy Chief Greer, Solicitor Carlamere, Captain Hunter

<u>Minutes:</u> Chairman Waddington asked if there were any questions regarding the minutes for September 2019. There were none. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Warrington. All commissioners were in favor. Motion passed with four yes votes.

<u>Communications List:</u> Chairman Waddington said that there were no communications listed on the agenda this month.

Old Business:

Committee Chair Reports:

- Fire Equipment and Apparatus Liaison: No Report
- Community Relations Liaison: No Report
- Information Technology and Equipment Commissioner: No Report
- Insurance Fund Commissioner: No report
- Fire Prevention Commissioner: Fire prevention open house will be on October 8th.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Resolution 19-31: Interlocal Service Agreement

Chairman Waddington explained that Resolution 19-31 was presented at September's meeting but was tabled until #8 of the agreement was clarified. It has been changed to the satisfaction of the Chief and Commissioners. Chairman Waddington asked if there were any questions on the change or the entire agreement. There were none.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Wakeley to approved Resolution 19-31 regarding the Interlocal Service Agreement with Gloucester Twp. Fire Districts. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Davis – yes, Commissioner Waddington – yes, Commissioner Wakeley – yes, Commissioner Warrington – yes. Motion passed with four yes votes.

• Resolution 19-32: Payment of Bills

Chairman Waddington asked if there were any questions regarding Resolution 19-32 regarding the payment of bills. There were none.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Wakeley to approved Resolution 19-32 regarding the payment of bills. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Davis – yes, Commissioner Waddington – yes, Commissioner Wakeley – yes, Commissioner Warrington – yes. Motion passed with four yes votes.

• Motion for Smoke Trailer Agreement:

Chairman Waddington explained that the Gloucester Twp. Fire District #4 is loaning its smoke trailer to the Pine Hill Fire District for use at its open house on October 8th. As such, the Gloucester Twp. Fire District #4 is requesting that the Districts enter into a signed agreement. Chairman Waddington asked if there were any questions regarding the agreement. There were none.

A motion to approve the agreement and grant the Chairman the authority to sign was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Davis. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Davis – yes, Commissioner Waddington – yes, Commissioner Wakeley – yes. Commissioner Warrington – yes. Motion passed with four yes votes.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: See attached report.

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT: See attached report.

FIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR' REPORT: See attached report

A motion to approve all reports presented was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Warrington. All commissioners were in favor. Motion passed with four yes votes.

OPEN THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC: Chairman Waddington asked for a motion to open the floor to the public. A motion to open the floor to the public was made by Commissioner Wakeley and seconded by Commissioner Davis. All commissioners were in favor. Motion passed with four yes votes.

Walt Davis – 1 Franklin Ave. asked to address the commission.

- 1. Mr. Davis said that he read the Chief's report from last month and was impressed by what is happening with the fire department.
- 2. Mr. Davis asked about the repair bill for the Hurst tools. Chief Dukes said that the bill was legitimate for the work that was provided. One hose had to be replaced which was costly. Also, it was fortunate that the tool failed while it was being tested instead of out in the field.
- 3. Mr. Davis said that it is a good thing that the fire department is being proactive in checking buildings. Chief Dukes said that the fire department does a good job checking for safety hazards at all properties in the Borough. Recently, when responding to a dumpster fire, the fire crew spotted several serious hazards that were immediately reported to the fire marshal and the appropriate Borough of Pine Hill officials.

CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC: Chairman Waddington asked if there were any other questions. There were none. A motion to close the floor to the public was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Warrington. All commissioners were in favor. Motion passed with four yes votes.

Resolution 19-33: Closed Session

Chairman Waddington explained that a closed session was needed to discuss a labor contract issue. A motion to approve Resolution 19-33 and enter a closed session was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Wakeley. All commissioners were in favor. Motion passed with four yes votes. Closed session began at 7:45 p.m.

Meeting Re-opened: Chairman Waddington re-opened the meeting at 7:55 p.m. and explained that no official action was taken in the closed session. Chairman Waddington explained that there was a discussion regarding the interpretation of the labor contract regarding pay increases for the two new firefighters and that the commissioners have come to a consensus that there is a contractual obligation to start the pay increases for all firefighters in January of each year of the contract period.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve the contractual pay increases for all firefighters to commence in January of each year. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Davis – yes. Commissioner Waddington – yes. Commissioner Wakeley – yes. Commissioner Warrington – yes. Motion passed with four yes votes.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Waddington asked if there were any other issues that needed to be addressed. There were none. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Warrington and seconded by Commissioner Davis. All commissioners were in favor. Motion passed with four yes votes.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Kenneth Davis Commission Secretary

John Campanella

Fire District Business Administrator