Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 1
330 Stillwells Corner Road
Freehold, NJ 07728

Regular Meeting

September 8, 2026

Phil Engel called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to order at 7:02 p.m. Mr. Engel led the flag salute, followed by a moment of silence for 9/11. Roll call was taken. Commissioners present were Michael Fogarty, Jonathan Dunberg, Phil Engel, and A.J. Story. A.J. Story arrived at 7:13 p.m. John Toutounchi was absent. Board Secretary Jaime Story was present.

Mr. Fogarty moved to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2026 regular meeting.
Second: Mr. Engel
Roll call vote: 3-0, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Fogarty read the September 8, 2026 Treasurer's Report into the record.

Mr. Fogarty moved to transfer $50,000 from the OceanFirst Money Market account to the OceanFirst checking account and to pay the bills in the amount of $42,314.06.
Second: Mr. Engel
Roll call vote: 3-0, motion carried.

A $640,000 short-term loan was received from the Monmouth County Improvement Authority on September 3, 2026. The district will contribute $60,000, with a formal loan expected within one to two months.

Legal: N/A

Buildings: Mr. Engel reported on the following:
- Corbin Electric will replace lights this week. The bay lights were repaired.
- A plumber will address drain issues at the Georgia Road firehouse.

Insurance: Mr. Dunberg reported the following:
- The insurance company approved replacement of 10 sets of gloves, 10 hoods, and one firefighter's damaged gear.
- All other gear was cleaned and returned. Servpro cleaned Truck 90.

Chief's Report: Chief Frank Santore reported on the following:
- The leak on Truck 80 was repaired. Truck 90 is awaiting approval for annual maintenance.
- Annual hose, ladder, and pump testing will proceed. All fire extinguishers have been tested.
- Chief Santore and Mr. Fogarty will continue budget discussions, including AED purchases and 2027 planning.

President's Report: President Matt Greco reported on the following:
- Vice President Adam Krigel requested Board support for a 2027 electrical project involving the Generac at Smithburg. The project will be discussed during budget meetings.
- The hose behind Smithburg will be discarded.
- The Fire Protection Agreement will be discussed at the next meeting.

Old Business:

- The battery on Truck 88 will be retested and repaired as needed.
- The Board approved an agreement with the Freehold Township Police Department for use of Georgia Road, including use of equipment by members of 16-1. **Mr. Story read the resolution. Roll call vote: 4-0; resolution adopted.**
- Mr. Fogarty and Chief Santore will meet with the SCBA vendor. The original quote will be honored.
- The Board recommended not entering into a monthly contract with the printer vendor.
- Mr. Braslow will contact a former member regarding LOSAP payouts.
- The Board will discuss any major 2027 building improvements.

New Business:

- ADP changes were completed for the engineers.

Audience:

- The grills were delivered unassembled, and one was damaged. Adam Krigel will handle the exchange.

There being no further business, Mr. Story moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.
Second: Mr. Fogarty
Roll call vote: 4-0, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Dunberg
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THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FREEHOLD, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of Facility Use, Hold Harmless, and Indemnification Agreement

WHEREAS, the Fire District has engaged in discussion with the Police Department concerning the temporary use of the firehouse for the purposes of physical activity; and

WHEREAS, the agreement is acceptable as drafted.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, as follows:

(1) The agreement is hereby approved and may be executed by the appropriate Commissioners.

Certification

I, Jon Dunberg, Secretary of the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Commissioners at a regular meeting held on September 8, 2026.

Jon Dunberg, Secretary

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Commissioner and it was seconded by Commissioner .

RECORD OF VOTE

Members	STORY	TOUTOUNCHI	FOGARTY	ENGEL	DUNBERG
Yes	X	X	X	X	X
No					
Not Voting					
Absent		X			