

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Washington Township Fire District No. 1
P. O. Box 152
Washington, New Jersey 07882**

Minutes for August 9, 2023:

Meeting Called to Order by M. Riotto at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

M. Riotto requested a moment of silence for all fallen firefighters.

Roll Call

Chairman – Michael Riotto – Present
Vice Chairman – Matthew Noctor – Present
Secretary – Karl Spolarich – Present
Treasurer – Marc DeMarco – Absent
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer – Chase Darwin – Present

Certification of Public Meeting Law

K. Spolarich, secretary, noted that this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of 1975 in as much as a notice had been published in *The Express Times* and/or *The Star Ledger* and posted at the municipal building.

Reading of Minutes

Minutes from the July 12, 2023, meeting were read by K. Spolarich. Motion to accept minutes as read made by C. Darwin. Second was made by M. Riotto. All were in favor.

Correspondence

None.

Report of Fire Department

Monthly activity report for July 2023 read and submitted by President D. Diaz.

Report of Fire Chief

Monthly activity report for July 2023 read and submitted by Fire Chief D. Settele.

Report of Fire Official

Monthly activity report for July 2023 read and submitted by Fire Official E. Kiley.

Old Business

M. Riotto requested information from the fire department's Truck Committee regarding the purchase of a new fire truck. M. Riotto and C. Darwin will serve as the district representatives on said Truck Committee.

New Business

Resolution #23-006 – Authorizing Placement of Capital Issue on Annual Election Ballot

Motion made by K. Spolarich to authorize the placement of a capital issue on the annual election ballot for the purchase of a new fire truck. Second was made by M. Noctor. All were in favor.

Meeting opened to the public by M. Riotto at 7:17 P.M.

No public participation.

Meeting closed to the public by M. Riotto at 7:18 P.M.

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills

Treasurer's report for August 3, 2023, submitted by M. DeMarco. Motion to pay bills made by M. Noctor. Second was made by C. Darwin. All were in favor. The total of the approved bills for August 3, 2023, is \$19,969.94.

Miscellaneous

None.

Adjournment

Motion made by K. Spolarich to adjourn meeting at 7:27 P.M. Second was made by C. Darwin. All were in favor.

Karl B. Spolarich
Secretary

Washington Twp Fire Department
Station 76

President's Report

August's Meeting

20 Air bottles were hydro tested this past week.

We would like to ask the district if they are willing to purchase turnout gear washer and dryer, as we do not have sufficient ways of washing all contaminants off our gear from structure fires, BLS calls, etc. A recently installed 3 gear washer from a nearby department was quoted for \$6,257. As well as a 2 gear dryer that was quoted for \$8,317.

As of right now, we do not have an operating website, we are working on fixing it at the moment. We did however lock in our domain name so that no one is able to use it.

We had reimbursed 39 Rescue for the crates of water and Gatorade they had supplied for the structure fire we had over the weekend.

Last week we participated in National night out, which was a huge hit with everyone there.

Last but not least, we as a department would like to meet with members of the district to have an open conversation and dialogue to discuss what each other's roles are. As well as finding ways in which we can work together.

Washington Township Fire Department

August 8, 2023

Board of Fire Commissioners

Chiefs report for the month of July 2023.

Accomplishments for the month:

We had a total of 47 calls

14 Alarm Activations

8 MVA's

2 83 Rescue Assists

1 Smoke Condition

5 Odor Investigations

1 LZ

1 Request for assistance (Welfare Check)

4 Wire/Pole Fire

1 Vehicle Fire

8 Pump details

2 Flooding Calls

1 Business Meeting

1 Drill Night was used to go over our sub pumps and clean hoses that were used the day of the flood.

WTFD was invited to a walkthrough of the New 3 story residential buildings at the Hawk Point Development.

WTFD participated in Washington Celebrates America Parade on July 4th.

Members participated in Fireworks detail on July 4th.

Chief David Settele attended the Warren County chiefs meeting at Alpha fire house on July 20th.

Engine 76-65 received its annual Maintenance and is back in service.

Engine 76-64 is OOS for its yearly Maintenance.

Command 76-85 is still OOS at Burdge's Auto Repair.

David Settele

Chief WTFD

**Washington Township Bureau of Fire Prevention
Fire Official Report
211 Route 31 North
Washington, NJ 07882**

**JULY
Monthly Report 2023**

Non Life Hazard Inspections - 06
Life Hazard Inspections - 5CSDCMAC - 10
Permits Issued - 03

Non Life Hazard Fees Collected -0.00

Life Hazard Fees collected from State of NJ -0.00
Smoke Detector Fees (CSDCMAC) collected- 500.00

FEES COLLECTED FOR PERMITS - 162.00

Fire Inspector Hours -

Edward Kiley
Fire Official - Washington Township Fire District #1

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF WARREN**

Resolution # 23-006

Authorizing Placement of Capital Issue on Annual Election Ballot

WHEREAS, the Fire District needs to purchase a fire truck and needs secure voter approval to undertake the purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Fire District deems it appropriate to place the question on the annual election ballot with the annual election scheduled for November 7, 2023.

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

- (1) The Fire District hereby authorizes the placement of the capital question as referenced below on the ballot for the annual election.
- (2) The legal voters shall be asked to approve or disapprove of the purchase of a fire truck for an amount not exceeding \$1,200,000 and further authorize the right of the Fire District to engage in either lease purchase financing or the issuance of notes and/or bonds relative to the purchase.
- (3) All requirements of the New Jersey statutes shall be adhered to relative to the election.

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08/03/23

Washington Township Fire District #1
Unpaid Bills Detail
As of August 3, 2023

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Type	Date	Num	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
AT&T Mobility					
Bill	08/03/2023	2873...	08/13/2023		900.00
Total AT&T Mobility					900.00
Bill Crampton - v					
Bill	08/03/2023		08/13/2023		125.00
Total Bill Crampton - v					125.00
Burdge's Auto Repair					
Bill	08/03/2023	1019	08/13/2023		966.76
Total Burdge's Auto Repair					966.76
C&M Auto Parts					
Bill	08/03/2023	692965	08/13/2023		67.45
Bill	08/03/2023	693053	08/13/2023		18.03
Total C&M Auto Parts					85.48
Comcast					
Bill	08/03/2023	8499...	08/13/2023		67.87
Bill	08/03/2023	8499...	08/13/2023		573.01
Total Comcast					640.88
Fire and Safety Services , LTD.					
Bill	08/03/2023	si23-1...	08/13/2023		675.92
Bill	08/03/2023	si123-...	08/13/2023		5,578.70
Total Fire and Safety Services , LTD.					6,254.62
Fleet Services					
Bill	08/03/2023	9060...	08/13/2023		500.00
Total Fleet Services					500.00
New Jersey American Water					
Bill	08/03/2023	1018-...	08/03/2023		7,539.20
Total New Jersey American Water					7,539.20
Richard Braslow					
Bill	08/03/2023	04211	08/03/2023		525.00
Total Richard Braslow					525.00
Witmer Associates Inc.					
Bill	08/03/2023	298199	08/13/2023		549.00
Total Witmer Associates Inc.					549.00
TOTAL					18,085.94

4:33 PM
07/18/23

Washington Township Fire District #1
Unpaid Bills Detail
As of July 18, 2023

Type	Date	Num	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
VFIS Bill	07/18/2023	2041...	07/18/2023		1,884.00
Total VFIS					1,884.00
TOTAL					<u>1,884.00</u>