

Toms River Fire Commissioners, District No. 2

Minutes

DATE October 15, 2025

A regular meeting of the Toms River Fire Commissioners, District No. 2 was called to order at 17:00 hrs. at the, Pleasant Plains Firehouse, 40 Clayton Avenue Toms River, New Jersey. Chairman Britton made the required public statement. "Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by the adoption of a schedule of regular meetings and notice thereof being posted in the Municipal Building, 33 Washington Street, Toms River; being filed with the Municipal Clerk and being transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger and to all persons who have requested copies in accordance with statute."

Roll call was taken; Present: Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson

Absent: Mr. Britton

Application for Membership- Applications received for Kyle Thulner for the Pleasant Plains Fire Company and Colin Keating for the Silverton Fire Company. A motion was made by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Seiders to accept the application and resignation.

Roll call was taken; Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson, Mr. Heroy

Nay:

Minutes of the previous meeting: were approved on a motion offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Willson and accepted as written providing that the minutes shall be made available for inspection by any member of the public during the meeting.

Roll call was taken; Present: Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Willson

Abstain: Mr. Seiders

Nay:

Cash Receipts:

Received check #128184 Dated September 24, 2025 in the amount of \$978,780.67 from Township of Toms River for 3rd Quarter Taxes

Bills: were presented for payment by Mr. Duff and were approved to be paid on a motion offered by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Willson Each commissioner abstains to his voucher, if any.

Roll call was taken; Present: Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson

Nay:

Alert -All Co.	1,750.00	PPFD	27,619.75
AT&T Mobility	335.08	Riggins	877.00
Atlantic IT Solutions	555.00	SVFC	30,493.75

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Crunch Gym	54.00	The Phone Guy	495.32
ERS	2,016.66	The Stress Center	500.00
Garrity, Graham, Murphy	14,152.60	Tint Man	350.00
Hackensack Meridian	3,861.00	TR Fire District #1	106,513.03
JCP&L	453.68	Veolia	21,149.79
JJD Handyman	870.00	NJ State Health Care	5,329.06
NJ Natural Gas	94.77		

Total: \$217,470.39

Correspondence: Correspondence has been provided to all commissioners

Communication/IT: Mr. Heroy reported that patch was done on Spillman and its up an running now

Apparatus: Mr. Seiders reported that 3068 heater plug was removed, 3051 aux cooler line was replaced, Mr. Willson reported that 2979 had air put in tires by ERS, 2931 Roto Ray, no problem found and boat paperwork should be done by Friday
Chief Keating had to jump start his truck on Monday

Insurance: Mr. Duff reported progress

Fire Prevention: Mr. Seiders reported progress, Mr. Willson no report

Fire Academy: Mr. Willson reported progress, Mr. Seiders reported progress

Purchasing: Request received for extrication gloves from Chief Keating
Request to purchase 1000 patches for township
Request to purchase new amplified charger for siren station 30
Request to purchase Hats for fire prevention

A motion was made by Mr. Seiders and seconded by Mr. Willson to make the purchases.

Roll call was taken: Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson

Nay:

Awards Program: Mr. Duff stated to be discussed

Substation: Station 30-1 Generator Parts ordered awaiting installation
Station 30-1 roof leak above 3059 reported
Scheduled garage doors to be serviced

Mr. Carson stated we still need gutter guards and keep losing power at substation.

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Fire Officers Association: Chief Yezzi reported there is discussion with Lexipol and SOG's

Silverton Report: Chief Keating requested to order more fire hats, and asked if he could donate the old ties to the fire academy.

Pleasant Plains Report: Chief Yezzi reported that he submitted his budget. Chief Yezzi reported that he received a letter of proclamation from the township for the crew of 3041 and Chief Cocco to be acknowledged by the township council on October 29, 2025 at 4:00.

Business Administrator's report: Mr. Carson reported that he is back to work, there will be training on Lexipol once it is up and running. The letter of intent for the tower ladder will be signed tonight and the letter of intent for the boat will be done by Friday.

New Business: 2026 Budget workshop draft budget. Healthcare is going up 36%, audit fees and legal fees are up, increased fuel, vehicle maintenance and equipment repairs. Legal bills for current case are being paid 100% by insurance. Large increase in the price of turn out gear.

Budget for 30-1 stayed the same, will install gutter guards and new carpet in office.

Capital stayed the same. Fire prevention increased 16% and Fire academy increased 6%

Mr. Carson reported that he would like to discuss increasing the rent to each company as it hasn't been increased in several years.

Mr. Carson reported that any accident that happens must have a write up.

Public: Mr. Mooney stated his displeasure with the current board as he can never get a straight answer about anything. Mr. Mooney stated that the board makes issues over things that are not an issue and are childish. Many comments being made about him the board does nothing about. Some commissioners hear the comments in the firehouse and do nothing to stop it. Mr. Mooney stated that the board should start caring about the firefighter and stop making a mountain out of nothing.

Mr. Heroy stated they cannot speak of anything personnel wise, and the first he's hearing of these comments. Mr. Mooney stated some of the commissioners know of the comments and spoke to some of the people making them.

Mr. Heroy again stated they cannot speak publicly about the lawsuit.

Closed Session: A resolution was introduced by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Seiders to go into closed session at 17:29 hrs.

Roll call was taken: Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson
 Nay:

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WHEREAS PL-1975 Chapter 231 allows for meetings in closed session on matters of personnel and contractual; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN go into closed session to discuss these matters as permitted by the open public act and that the results of this closed session be available to the general public upon the completion of the acceptance of the minutes at the next regular meeting and at such time as this matter in closed session is resolved.

Resume Regular Session: A motion was offered by Mr. Seiders, seconded by Mr. Duff to resume regular session at 18:12hrs

Mr. Heroy reported that there will be a meeting to discuss LOSAP program and calculation of duty credits on Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 5:00 at Station 30.

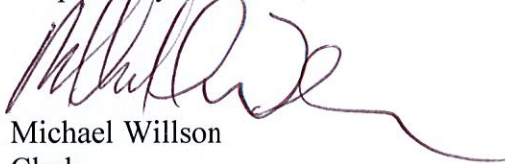
Chief Yezzi asked the board what is the status of 3059, will it be fixed or not. He requested to take out all the equipment and tank.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 18:20hrs by Mr. Willson, seconded by Mr. Duff

Roll call was taken: Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson

Nay:

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Michael Willson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael Willson
Clerk