

**Toms River Fire Commissioners, District No. 2**

**Minutes**

**DATE January 7, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Toms River Fire Commissioners, District No. 2 was called to order at 19:30 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. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson

Absent:

**Application for Membership-** Applications received for Jonathan Macias for the Pleasant Plains Volunteer Fire Department. A motion was made by Mr. Willson, seconded by Mr. Heroy to accept the application.

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

Nay:

**Minutes of the previous meeting:** were approved on a motion offered by Mr. Heroy, seconded by Mr. Seiders 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; Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Duff, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson

Nay:

**Cash Receipts:**

Received check #128873 dated December 29, 2025 in the amount of \$1,223,475.84 received from Toms River Township for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Tax Appropriation.

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

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

Nay:

Affordable Dryer & Vent	450.00	JJD Handyman	125.00
Always Driven Apparel	60.00	Motorola	287,213.50
AT&T Mobility	335.10	N. Dunham	500.00
Atlantic IT Solution	555.00	NJFE	16,913.00
Braslow, R	3,107.50	NJM Insurance	47,576.00

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Comcast	351.85	NJNG	1,138.09
Continental	870.00	PL Custom	437.50
ERS	963.84	Primepoint	99.75
Firestore	531.44	Riggins	1,664.05
Genserve	6,096.07	Service Tire	45.00
The Phone Guy	495.32	TRMUA	780.85
The Stress Center	800.00	US Bank	15.62
Toshiba	488.75	Wireless	331.58
TR Fitness	160.00	NJ State Healthcare	6,914.08

Total: \$379,018.89

**Correspondence:** Correspondence has been provided to all commissioners

**Apparatus:** Mr. Seiders reported 3051 has seat pads on order and a transmission light is being watched. Mr. Willson advised 2905 buckets lights were ordered, 2913 is going to Lee's, 2931 Bumper was replaced, 2910 had a tire repaired, 2900 had headlights replaced, 2979 window regulator ordered, and 2927 going to Beachwood Collision.

**Fire Academy:** Mr. Willson advised the new Firefighter 1/2 class has started with 30 members.

**Purchasing:** Administrator Carson reported annual contract for SCBA Compressor maintenance was received from Continental. A motion was made by Mr. Heroy, seconded by Mr. Seiders to go ahead with the contract.

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Willson, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Britton  
Nay: None.

**Awards Program:** Mr. Britton reported a meeting was held tonight to make the necessary changes with the committee.

**Fire Officers' Association:** Chief Yezzi reported next meeting is January 12, 2026

**Silverton Report:** Chief Keating asked for Engineer Reynolds to be added to the PS Trax System, asked to purchase the SEEK Bank Chargers for 2905, a copy of the current checklist for membership, and to redirect any member of his company who comes to the district office to the Chief.

**Pleasant Plains report:** Chief Yezzi reported all is going well.

**Business Administrator's report:** Administrator Carson reported the following:

1. Lexipol- Working with committee on Changes.

**New Business:**

Joint Swearing in Ceremony Refreshments- A motion was made by Mr. Seiders,

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seconded by Mr. Heroy to pay half of the cost with District #1 paying the other half.

Roll call vote: Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Duff, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson  
Nay: None.

**Resolution Adoption of Temporary Budget for 2026:** A motion was made by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Seiders to accept the resolution(attached)

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Willson, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Britton  
Nay; None.

**Resolution to Divide the Polling Places** A motion was made by by Mr. Heroy, seconded by Mr. Duff to accept the resolution (attached)

Roll call vote; Aye: Mr. Duff, Mr. Willson, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Britton  
Nay; None.

**Public Hearing on 2026 Budget** – Commissioner Britton asked members of the public if they have any questions or comments. There were none.

**Resolution to Adopt the 2026 Budget** was introduced by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Willson (attached).

Roll call vote: Aye: Mr. Britton, Mr. Heroy, Mr. Duff, Mr. Seiders, Mr. Willson  
Nay: None.

**Public Comment:** Mr. Michael Mooney made it clear he was not representing himself as a Silverton Firefighter. He asked what would happen if a commissioner randomly talked about the lawsuit and mocked the victims. He wanted to know how he could make a complaint about a commissioner at the Wawa in Brick walked up to an unknown victim and discussed the case. Commissioner Britton advised the board would handle it with a written complain being received.

Firefighter Richard Gorman advised he was advocating for the entire fire district 2 and both fire companies. He questioned does every firefighter have to go through the same process to join a station and does everyone who answers call have to go through the same process and belong to a fire company. Mr. Britton advised that the Fire District Administrator is allowed to answer calls as long as he has his certifications current. Mr. Gorman questioned was that a written policy and Mr. Britton advised him it has been a verbal policy in effect for at least 6 years. Mr. Gorman then questioned how can he confirm the validity of the documents on file. Mr Britton advised him it is a personnel matter and would need to go into Executive Session to further discuss.

**Closed Session:** A resolution was introduced by Mr. Heroy, seconded by Mr. Duff to go into closed session at 19:45 hrs.

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

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. Willson, seconded by Mr. Seiders to resume regular session at 20:16 hrs.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Heroy to adopt a resolution by title authorizing the Chief Administrator to respond to any fire calls that either company is dispatched to as long as he keeps his certifications current, attends drills and takes a physical as he has done already in the past.

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

Respectfully submitted,

  
Michael Willson  
Clerk

THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2  
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN

Resolution

Adoption of Temporary Budget for 2026

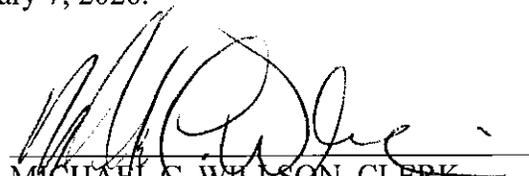
WHEREAS, it has become necessary for the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, by resolution, to adopt a temporary budget to make appropriations and to provide for the period between the beginning of the fiscal year, January 1, 2026 and the adoption of the budget by the legal voters of the fire district, which election is scheduled for February 21, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, as follows:

- (1) A temporary budget is hereby adopted to be effective from the beginning of the fiscal year as noted above and to be in full force and effect until the adoption of the annual fire district budget as referenced above; the total of the appropriations of the temporary budget to reflect not in excess of 14% of the total of the appropriations made for all purposes in the budget for the preceding fiscal year exclusive of appropriations for interest and debt redemption charges and capital improvements.

CERTIFICATION:

I, Michael C. Willson, Clerk of the Commissioners of Fire District #2 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Commissioners held on January 7, 2026.

  
MICHAEL C. WILLSON, CLERK

RESOLUTION

January 7, 2026

WHEREAS, a petition of twenty-five (25) or more voters have been filed with the Clerk of the Board in accordance with N.J.S. 40A:14-76 requesting the division of the district into two (2) polling places; and:

WHEREAS, such a division would be in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF DISTRICT NO. 2 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, as follows:

1. Fire District No. 2 shall be divided into two (2) polling places for the annual election on February 21, 2026
2. Registered voters of voting Districts 5, 15, 20, 22, 23, 29, 35, 46, 55, 56, and 61 shall vote at the Silverton Fire House, 15 Kettle Creek Road, Toms River, New Jersey.
3. Registered voters of voting Districts 6, part of 14, 21, 24, 25, 30, part of 37, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 58, 59, 62, and part of 63 shall vote at the Pleasant Plains Fire House, 40 Clayton Avenue, Toms River, New Jersey.
4. A copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Township Clerk and to such other officials as may be designated by the Clerk of the Board.

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Michael C. Willson, CLERK

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2  
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**Resolution**

**Authorizing the Chief Administrator to Respond to Fire Calls**

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WHEREAS, the Fire District deems it beneficial to have the Chief Administrator respond to any fire calls for either the Pleasant Plains Fire Company or the Silverton Fire Company when the companies are dispatched; and

WHEREAS, the ability of the Chief Administrator to respond will be contingent upon various criteria being satisfied as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, as follows:

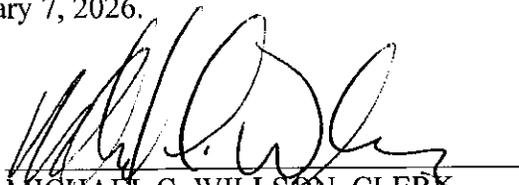
(1) The Chief Administrator is hereby authorized to respond to any and all fire calls for either the Pleasant Plains Fire Company or the Silverton Fire Company when the fire companies are dispatched.

(2) The ability to respond will be contingent upon the Chief Administrator maintaining his appropriate fire certifications, completing any mandatory training, and securing the appropriate physical exam as required.

(3) It is not mandatory that the Chief Administrator respond to each and every fire and in this regard the Administrator has sole discretion to either respond or not respond as he deems appropriate.

CERTIFICATION:

I, Michael C. Willson, Clerk of the Commissioners of Fire District #2 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Commissioners held on January 7, 2026.



MICHAEL C. WILLSON, CLERK