

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

Minutes for June 11, 2025:

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 – Present
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer – Chase Darwin – Absent

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 May 14, 2025, meeting were read by K. Spolarich. Motion to accept minutes as read made by M. Noctor. Second was made by M. DeMarco. All were in favor.

Correspondence

None.

Report of Fire Department

Monthly activity report for June 2025 read and submitted by President T. Pantuso.

Report of Fire Chief

Monthly activity report for May 2025 read and submitted by Chief T. Wilson.

Old Business

M. DeMarco reported that “Local Seven,” the Board’s website company, is currently building the new website, which should be up and running by mid July.

M. DeMarco reported that the Board has submitted all required specifications and information for the new fire apparatus to the attorney.

New Business

M. Riotto reported that the insurance cards for the vehicles have been given to the fire department.

M. Noctor reported that the Workmen’s Compensation audit for Liberty Mutual was completed on June 11, 2025.

Resolution #25-005 – Authorizing Enforcement of Fire Safety Act by Washington Township

M. Riotto made a motion to authorize the transfer of enforcement of the Fire Safety Act to the Township. Second was made by M. Noctor. All were in favor.

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

Peter H. deBoer, Jr., Township Administrator appearing on behalf of the Township Committee, thanked the Board for its service and requested to maintain an open line of communication and transparency between the Board and the Township.

Meeting closed to the public by M. Riotto at 7:23 P.M.

Treasurer’s Report/Payment of Bills

Treasurer’s report for June 11, 2025, read and submitted by M. DeMarco. Motion to pay bills made by M. Noctor. Second was made by K. Spolarich. All were in favor. The total of the approved bills for June 11, 2025, is \$135,375.75.

Miscellaneous

None.

Adjournment

Motion made by M. DeMarco to adjourn meeting at 7:28 P.M. Second was made by K. Spolarich. All were in favor.

Karl B. Spolarich
Secretary

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

Resolution #25-005

Authorizing Enforcement of Fire Safety Act by Washington Township

WHEREAS, the Fire District currently enforces the Fire Safety Act; and

WHEREAS, the Fire District has engaged in discussion with the Township concerning the Township being designated and assuming the responsibilities relative to the enforcement of the Fire Safety Act; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed that the referenced enforcement will be transferred to the Township.

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 transfer of enforcement of the Fire Safety Act to the Township.
- (2) Upon adoption a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the New Jersey State Division of Fire Safety and the Township.

Karl B. Spolarich
Secretary

Presidents Report

June 2025

ByLaws committee met June 10th. Final draft to be sent for review.

Contractor will be breaking ground on the Washburn station addition mid to late June.

Both junior members passed FF1 and Hazmat. Currently in FF2.

Truck committee – Warren Gabriel had meeting with Pierce rep to gather information on stock truck to see if it fits our needs.

Dept. had demo gas meter to try for 2 weeks. If it suits our needs we will purchase it with grant received from Walmart

Tom Cicerelle also applied for two other grants, one for high rise packs (\$5000.00 from State Farm) and one for air bags and training (\$15,000.00 from Norfolk Southern RR).

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Pantuso

President



Washington Township Fire Department

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Chief's Report

Chief Tom Wilson

6/2/25

For the month of May Washington Township Fire Department responded to a total of 32 Emergency Calls

And hosted 1 Business meeting 2 drills

3 squad assists

12 alarm calls

5 MVAs

1 vehicle fire

4 odor investigations

1 Brush Fire

2 CO alarms

3 Illegal open burns

Washington Township Fire District #1

Unpaid Bills Detail

As of June 11, 2025

	Type	Date	Num	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
AT&T Mobility						
	Bill	06/11/2025	28732005854	06/21/2025		<u>454.00</u>
Total AT&T Mobility						454.00
Comcast						
	Bill	06/11/2025	8499052730036219	06/21/2025		<u>180.16</u>
Total Comcast						180.16
Continental Fire and Safety						
	Bill	06/11/2025	S2624	06/21/2025		<u>220.69</u>
Total Continental Fire and Safety						220.69
Fire and Safety Services , LTD.						
	Bill	06/11/2025	SI25-0513	06/21/2025		<u>1,706.41</u>
Total Fire and Safety Services , LTD.						1,706.41
Fleet Services						
	Bill	06/11/2025	104913951	06/21/2025		<u>800.00</u>
Total Fleet Services						800.00
Liberty Mutual						
	Bill	06/11/2025	15133769	06/21/2025		<u>94,114.00</u>
Total Liberty Mutual						94,114.00
Local Seven						
	Bill	06/11/2025	WTF-1216	06/21/2025		<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Local Seven						1,000.00
New Jersey American Water						
	Bill	06/11/2025	1018- 210023095075	06/11/2025		<u>9,108.99</u>
Total New Jersey American Water						9,108.99
Richard Braslow						
	Bill	06/11/2025	05500	06/11/2025		<u>522.50</u>
Total Richard Braslow						522.50
VFIS						
	Bill	06/11/2025	CO5329	06/11/2025		<u>27,269.00</u>
Total VFIS						<u>27,269.00</u>
TOTAL						<u><u>135,375.75</u></u>