

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

Minutes for July 8, 2026:

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 – Vacant
Secretary – Karl Spolarich – Present
Treasurer – Marc DeMarco – Present
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer – Gina Pantuso – Absent

Certification of Public Meeting Law

M. Riotto, chairman, 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 June 10, 2026, meeting were read by K. Spolarich. Motion to accept minutes as read made by M. DeMarco. Second was made by M. Riotto. All were in favor.

Correspondence

None.

Report of Fire Department

None.

Report of Fire Chief

Monthly activity report for June 2026 read and submitted by Fire Chief J. Kappus.

Old Business

None.

New Business

M. Riotto made a motion to approve Jason Lapezynski of 5 Roseland Lane as a probationary member of the fire department pending a background check. Second was made by K. Spolarich. All were in favor.

Meeting opened to the public by M. Riotto at 7:10 P.M.

No public participation.

Meeting closed to the public by M. Riotto at 7:11 P.M.

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills

Treasurer's report for July 6, 2026, read and submitted by M. DeMarco. Motion to pay bills made by K. Spolarich. Second was made by M. Riotto. All were in favor. The total of the approved bills for July 6, 2026, is \$27,876.48.

Miscellaneous

None.

Adjournment

Motion made by M. DeMarco to adjourn meeting at 7:18 P.M. Second was made by K. Spolarich. All were in favor.

Karl B. Spolarich
Secretary



Washington Township Fire Department

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Chief's Report

Chief James Kappus

7/7/2026

For the month of June Washington Township Fire Department responded to a total of 27 calls

6 MVAs

3 Alarm Activations

1 CO Alarm

1 Fire Assist Clean Road after Accident

2 Brush Fire

5 Tree on wires/ Pole Fires

1 Ems Assist

1 Electrical fire

4 Structure Fires

1 Gas Leak

1 Car Fire

1 Odor Invest

We hosted 1 Business meeting and 3 Drills!

1. Rerack hose on 76-65
2. Man Vs Machine Class
3. Tech Level extrication drill

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Unpaid Bills Detail

As of July 6, 2026

	Type	Date	Num	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
AT&T Mobility						
	Bill	07/06/2026	287320058054	07/16/2026		450.00
Total AT&T Mobility						450.00
Comcast						
	Bill	07/06/2026	8499052730036227	07/16/2026		403.25
	Bill	07/06/2026	8499052730036219	07/16/2026		130.68
Total Comcast						533.93
Continental Fire and Safety						
	Bill	07/06/2026	T2664	07/16/2026		319.50
Total Continental Fire and Safety						319.50
Electronic Measurement Labs, Inc.						
	Bill	07/06/2026	68893	07/16/2026		139.00
	Bill	07/06/2026	68669	07/16/2026		357.00
Total Electronic Measurement Labs, Inc.						496.00
Fire and Safety Services , LTD.						
	Bill	07/06/2026	IO26-01616	07/16/2026		2,125.12
Total Fire and Safety Services , LTD.						2,125.12
Fleet Services						
	Bill	07/06/2026	11336731	07/16/2026		1,000.00
Total Fleet Services						1,000.00
Liberty Mutual						
	Bill	07/06/2026	15371926	07/16/2026		3,652.00
	Bill	07/06/2026	15373796	07/16/2026		3,727.00
	Bill	07/06/2026	15377384	07/16/2026		3,355.00
Total Liberty Mutual						10,734.00
Local Seven						
	Bill	07/06/2026	WTF-1403	07/16/2026		112.50
Total Local Seven						112.50
New Jersey American Water						
	Bill	07/06/2026	1018- 210023095075	07/06/2026		9,637.22
Total New Jersey American Water						9,637.22
Richard Braslow						
	Bill	07/06/2026	06201	07/06/2026		60.00
Total Richard Braslow						60.00

TFB Truck Repairs

	Bill	07/06/2026	068030000694	07/16/2026	<u>2,408.21</u>
Total TFB Truck Repairs					<u>2,408.21</u>
TOTAL					<u><u>27,876.48</u></u>