

Secretary of the Board **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**  
**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1**

May 12, 2025

The Meeting was called to order by Vincent Vinci, President, at 7:00 PM.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

A moment of silence for all the deceased fire fighters.

**ROLL CALL**

Vincent Vinci	Present
James Lauro	Present
E. Paul Percussi	Present
Nick Panetta	Present
Russell Bucco	Present
Robert DeBold	Present
Cathy Morello	Present

**This meeting is being held in conformance with the Open Public Meeting Act. Notice has been given to the newspaper and notice of the meeting has been posted in public places. Next open public meeting of the Commissioners will be held on, June 9, 2025.**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Vincent Vinci)**

**I would like to begin with a warm welcome to our new Part-time Administrative Assistant Cathy Morello.**

**MINUTES FROM THE APRIL MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED**

Paul Percussi made a Motion to accept the April 2025 minutes, second by Russell Bucco. All in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT (Nick Panetta)**

Total Receipts for the Month of April 2025.....	\$ 205,965.75
Total Disbursements for the Month of April 2025 .....	\$ 89,854.98
Total in Money Market for the Month of April 2025.....	\$ 364,031.91
Total Cash on Hand as of April 30, 2025 .....	\$ 788,106.83
CD Investment as of April 30, 2025.....	\$ 271,616.64

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Treasurer's Report, second by Paul Percussi. All in favor.

### **FIRE PREVENTION (Russell Bucco) for the month of April 2025**

• Certificate of Occupancy Inspections.....	34
• Business Inspections .....	43
• Violations/Penalty.....	13
• Permits.....	0
• Knox Box.....	6
• Order to Pay Penalty.....	3

### **INSURANCE (Russell Bucco)**

Nothing to report.

### **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: (James Lauro)**

1. Xerox came in on 04/15/2025 to service new copy machine.
2. Coastal Refrigeration came in to do yearly Maintenance on Ice Machine.
3. New Fios Router was installed.
4. Wetscapes turned on the sprinkler system and replaced two sprinkler heads.
5. 9 screens were replaced on the windows of building.

### **JOINT DISTRICT TRAINING GROUNDS (James Lauro)**

1. The balance in the checking account as of April 30, 2025 is \$ 8,328.67.
2. We paid \$5,924.00 to VFIS (Volunteer Fireman Insurance Service).
3. North Centerville FD used the training grounds on April 24, 2025.
4. General liability insurance was paid for the training grounds.
5. Morganville FD used the training ground on May 8, 2025.
6. Welding and replacing damaged metal decking on second floor burn building.
7. We ordered fuel hose for outside fuel tank.

A Motion was made by Paul Percussi to accept the Training Grounds and Joint Districts Reports, second by Nick Panetta. All in favor.

### **DISTRICT CHIEF (Robert DeBold)**

1. Truck 500 and 498 had an air leak being repaired.

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the District Fire Chief's Report, second by Vinny Vinci. All in favor.

### **FIRE COMPANY's CHIEF'S REPORT AND ENGINEERS' REPORTS (Will Smith)**

Chief Smith reported there were a total of 20 Fire Calls, 1 Drills, and 7 Extra Drill and 364.4 Man Hours spent for the month of April 2025. All engineer's reports were done and handed in.

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Fire Company Chief's Report, second by Paul Percussi. All in favor.

### **CORRESPONDENCE (Cathy Morello)**

We received a letter from the Township in regards to the liquor licenses. We sent a letter to the township in regards to a liquor license.

An excuse letter was sent to Monmouth County for Petit Jurors for one of our firefighters. Excuse was granted.

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Fire Company Report, second by Russell Bucco. All in favor.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Commissioners reviewed Resolution No. 2025-17

Resolution No.17 we hired a Part-time Administrative Assistant to join our team. This role is pivotal in ensuring the smooth operation of our office.

A Motion was made by James Lauro to accept the Fire Company Report, second by Paul Percussi.

All in favor.

### **MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Any questions or concerns? None, a motion was made to close meeting.

A Motion was made by Paul Percussi at 7:07 pm to close the Meeting, seconded by James Lauro. All were in favor.

  
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E. Paul Percussi