



City of Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners District #1
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Julie von Uffel, Treasurer
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April 15, 2025
MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chair Waldron at 7:00 p.m. with a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice to The Trenton Times, City Hall Bulletin Board, and various individuals.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Bregartner was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Waldron.

MEETING MINUTES

There were no meeting minutes to approve. They will be approved at the next meeting. Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to approve the minutes from March 18, 2025, closed session, and seconded by Commissioner von Uffel. A voice vote was taken MOTION PASSES.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

- Treasure vonUffel presented the Treasurers Report. The total in checking account is \$265,964.54 and savings are \$148,899.41. Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and Commissioner Barna seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Fire Commission working session scheduled for May 5, 2025, at 6p.
- Past Commissioner Erin McManus Keys passed away this week, will discuss further under new business.

- Treasure vonUffel will follow up with our accounting team to see why the district credit card isn't paid off in full each month. In addition, she will have discussions with James and Matt on why we are still paying vendors by checks instead of using the credit card when applicable.

CHIEFS REPORT

- Total of 34 calls for the month of March.
- The district will participate in the food train for the Keys family, which will be discussed under new business.
- All equipment is in good working condition.

OLD BUSINESS

- Vice Chair and Commissioner Barna were unable to meet last week to work on the district website and will meet on 4/17 to work on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

- Past Commissioner Erin McManus Keys passed away this week. Vice Chair Hayes made a motion, to have the flags set at half mass and mourning bunting placed on the fire house in her honor. The district will put their condolences to the family on the district's Facebook page. A page in the April Commission meeting minutes will be set aside. Chief Barlow will send flowers for the funeral once a date is confirmed for the service. Second by Commissioner Barna voice vote taken MOTION PASSES.
- Chief Barlow informed the Board that the Fire Department will join the meal train for the Keys family and provide a meal for the family on April 24 and deliver the food at 6:30pm, all commissioners are welcome to join.
- Motion made by Chair Waldron for Chief Barlow and Vice Chair Hayes to contact our HVAC company to secure updated thermostats with control features to avoid tampering with the set temperatures. Seconded by Commissioner Barna. A voice vote taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Chair Waldron made a motion to approve uniform tee shirt order with the new design, second by Treasure vonUffel. A voice vote taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Vice Chair will work on getting updated bids for the replacement of lock and camera systems for the fire house.
- Chair Waldron made a motion for Vice Chair Hayes to engage with the Union Fire Company's contract vendors once selected to piggyback both projects, the Unions addition and the district's bunk room by using the same contractors. Second by Commissioner Barna. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- The Board of Fire Commissioners accepted the resignation of Commissioner John Bregartner effect April 14, 2025. The Board thanks Commissioner Bregartner for his service and the instrumental part he played in the purchase of the fire house. We wish him well and continued success.

- Chair Waldron made motion to place print ads to communicate the Board of Fire Commissioners is accepting resumes for the vacant Fire Commissioner position, all resumes mailed to Fire Headquarters by June 6, 2025. Resumes will be reviewed at the June 17, 2025, Commission meeting.
- Chair Waldron made a motion to cancel May 20, 2025, monthly commission meeting since the board will not have a quorum, with Commissioner Barna and Commissioner vonUffel both being out of town. Second by Commissioner vonUffel. Voice vote taken, MOTION PASSES

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- There was no audience participation.

RESOLUTION **Closing of Meeting Pursuant to** **Open Public Meetings Act**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the Commissioners are allowed to engage in executive session during any particular meeting when it becomes necessary to discuss matters which the statute allows to be discussed in executive session; and

WHEREAS, it was necessary for the Commissioners to discuss various matters of personnel, and accordingly, the Commissioners met in executive session to discuss same.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, as follows:

- (1) The meeting of April 15, 2025 is closed and will be reopened at such time as the discussion in executive session has been completed.
- (2) The minutes will be revealed to the public at such time as the matters discussed have been resolved.

A motion was made by Chair Waldron to enter closed session. Vice Chair Hayes seconded it, a voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES. The Commissioners are in close session at 7:30pm.

Chair Waldron made a motion to come out of closed session. Commissioner Barna seconded, a voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES. Commissioners came out of closed session at 7:45pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Waldron made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner von Uffel, a voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSED.

The Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will take place on June 17, 2025.