



City of Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners District #1
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October 21, 2025
MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chair Waldron at 7:03 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

All Commissioners were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Waldron.

MEETING MINUTES

Vice Chair Hayes made a motion to approve the minutes from September 16, 2025, and seconded by Commissioner von Uffel. A voice vote was taken MOTION PASSES.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

- Treasure von Uffel presented the Treasurers Report. The total in checking account is \$267366.60 and savings are \$274,912.64. Commissioner Barna made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and Vice Chair Hayes seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Chair Waldron thanked the department for supporting the squad on EMS calls in the city.

CHIEFS REPORT

- Total of 53 fire calls and 30 EMS calls for the month of September.
- The fire department is just supporting the squad on calls not taking over.
- The Commissioners will be visiting Hamiton Fire to look at different apparatus, There will be no action taken. It is purely a viewing visit.
- The Village Apartments will not be expanding but shrinking. There will be a carport under them. They will be for low-income housing.
- The winners of the Leaf Auction will be spending the day with the department. They will do truck checks, go up in the ladder, out on the river, and have lunch with the crew,
- LFD has become a Certified Public Training location recognized by the state. LFD can offer training to the public.
- Equipment – The Tower Ladder needs a new hydraulic valve. A back-up is being used. Repairs are being held off until 2026.
- Frank Ur, Fire Marshall presented on the Fire Prevention Bureau.
 - There have been 266 inspections in Lambertville.
 - The Bureau will just be doing inspections in West Amwell to get them caught up with the State.
 - There will be an Audit on Monday for Delaware Township. Later in the week there will be random inspections.
 - They have moved their finances from PNC to Wells Fargo.
 - They are in the process of acquiring another vehicle.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Chair Waldron reported there is about \$80,000 in surplus. He also reported from an IT perspective that having cameras in the firehouse is a top priority. These would be in non-personal spaces. He feels that the the next projects for the department would be to get a utility vehicle for the department and the bunk room. He is waiting for a final number from the accountants.
- Chair Waldron made a motion that the Commissioners engage with a general contractor to submit plans for a bunkroom, Commissioner Barna seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Chair Waldron made a motion to pass Resolution 25-119 to hire per diem firefighter Drew Zeek at \$16.00 per hour. Commissioner Barna seconded, a voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- Dave Burd asked how many municipalities the Fire Prevention Bureau was serving and if fire fighters were out on inspections who covered the calls. Chief Barlow answered this question. As of today The Fire Prevention Bureau is serving two municipalities. In 2026, it will go to three. Normally firefighters come in on their day off to handle inspections. If they are doing them while on duty, they will be pulled back to cover the call. As of today, no one has had to be pulled back.

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 7:52 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will be on November 18, 2025.