



City of Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners District #1
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Nate Waldron, Chair
Mary Barna, Vice Chair
Julie von Uffel, Treasurer
Nancy Bakewell, Secretary
Eldred Bullard, Commissioner

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March 17, 2026
MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chair Waldron at 7:02 p.m. with a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, City Hall Bulletin Board, and various individuals.

Swearing in of New Commissioner Eldred Bullard

ROLL CALL

All Commissioners are present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Barna.

MEETING MINUTES

- Chair Waldron made a motion to approve the minutes from February 17, 2026 and closed session and April 1, 2026 and April 8, 2026 Workshop meeting, and seconded by Treasurer von Uffel. A voice vote was taken MOTION PASSES.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

- Treasure von Uffel presented the Treasurers Report. The total in checking account is \$268,061.12 and savings are \$304,174.43. Vice Chair Barna made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and Chair Waldron seconded. A voice vote was taken, MOTION PASSES.

CHIEFS REPORT

- Continuing to work on a better report from the CAD system.
- There were 49 calls.
- The Shad Festival will be April 25 and 26, 2026. Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce is attached.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- A public meeting will be held on March 30 from 3-4pm to discuss two new vehicles.
- There will be a working session on April 1, 2026 at 6:30pm. At this meeting the following will be discussed: a resolution for two new vehicles and a resolution for the 2026 budget.
- There will be a Town Hall on April 4, 2026 via invitation only.
- There will be Town Halls on the following dates from 11am-12(noon) to educate the public on the referendum before it is voted on; May 2, June 6, July 11, August 1, September 12 and November 3.
- Chief Waldron made a motion to pass Resolution 118, the money for the bunkroom renovations will come from the savings account line.
- The new cameras, locks, and IT infrastructure are up and working.
- Chair Waldron made a motion to accept the new IT proposal for better security. Secretary Bakewell seconded, voice vote taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Chair Waldron made a motion to accept the service agreement for the website from Tom.Knoble Vice Chair Barna seconded, voice vote taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Vice Chair Barna made a motion authorizing Chair Waldron to search for a bond council. Treasurer von Uffel seconded, a voice vote taken, MOTION PASSES.
- Chair Waldron made a motion authorizing the Chief to actively engage with brokers to sell tower ladder. Treasurer von Uffel seconded, a voice vote was taken, MOTION Passes.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- Dave Bird started by saying it was nice to see everyone after the winter. He also hopes that other avenues are used besides a broker to sell the tower ladder. Time is on your side. He also stated word on the street is there is a large bond request in November. Why are the residents asked for three at one time only to be asked again in about 15 years. Why can't they be better staggered for a better sell.

•**RESOLUTION**

- Closing of Meeting Pursuant to
- Open Public Meetings Act

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- 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 March 17, 2026, 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, seconded by Vice Chair Barna, and with a voice vote, MOTION PASSES. The Commissioners entered closed session at 7:50 p.m.

•A motion was made by Chair Waldron to come out of closed session, seconded by Vice Chair Barna, and with a voice vote, MOTION PASSES. The Commissioners came out of closed session at 8:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

There will be a Workshop on April 1, 2026, at 6:30pm.

The next regular monthly meeting will be on April 21, 2026.