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FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS THREE YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR ONE)	Raymond LATSHAW	WRITE-IN
	John SUDIA	





MAIL-IN BALLOT OFFICIAL 2021 ANNUAL FIRE ELECTION TOMS RIVER TOWNSHIP **FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 COUNTY OF OCEAN APRIL 20, 2021**

To Protect Your Vote:

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IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

Please read the following before marking vour ballot:

- 1. Use ONLY a pencil or ink pen (black or blue) to mark your ballot. Do not use red ink.
- 2. Completely fill in oval to the right of each of your selections.

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- 3. To vote for any person whose name is not printed on this ballot, go to the Personal Choice Column and darken the oval by the words "write-in" for the office in which you want to write-in. Write the name of the person for which you wish to vote on the blank line.
- 4. If you tear, deface or incorrectly mark this ballot. return it to the Ocean County Clerk's Election Office and obtain a new ballot.

PUBLIC OUESTIONS TO BE VOTED UPON

QUESTION NO. 1

Shall the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in Toms River Township be authorized to budget \$8,505,387.00 in the year 2021 with \$5,674,042.63 to be raised by taxation?

INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT

Approval of this question would authorize Toms River Fire District No. 1 to budget \$8,505,387.00 for the operation of the Fire District. The amount to be raised by taxation represents only a portion of the total budget and is a nominal 1.5% increase over 2020 (\$84,573.28). The remaining revenue comes from District No. 2 for shared costs in operating the Bureau of Fire Prevention, Fire Communication Center and the Fire Training Center; from inspection fees; usage fees; from interest earned on investments; from grants; and from surplus.

YES

NO (

QUESTION NO. 2

Shall the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No.1 in Toms River Township be authorized to appropriate \$60,000.00 a year for the next 5 years for the purchase of replacement Fire Chief and Asst. Chief vehicles?

INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT

Approval of this question would authorize Toms River Fire District No. 1 to appropriate \$60,000.00 per year for the next five years for the purchase of replacement Fire Chief and Asst. Chief Vehicles. The Board determines the timing of replacement vehicles utilized by the Fire Chiefs based upon the age, mileage and maintenance costs of the vehicles.

YES

QUESTION NO. 3

Shall the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No.1 in Toms River Township be authorized to purchase replacement Aerial Ladder Truck in the amount of \$1,200,000 using surplus funds collected in prior budgets?

INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT

Approval of this question would authorize Toms River Fire District No. 1 to appropriate \$1,200,000.00 for the purchase of a replacement Fire Apparatus. The Board determines the timing of replacement apparatus utilized by the fire district based upon the age, and maintenance costs of the current aerial apparatus. The current apparatus has exceeded its life expectancy in accordance with all recognized standards.

Additionally, this apparatus is needed to maintain the current Insurance Services Organization (ISO) rating which assists in determining the fire insurance rates. Surplus funds utilized for this purchase have already been collected by the district in prior budgets and will have no additional tax impact to the residents of Toms River Fire District No. 1

YES

NO

QUESTION NO. 4

Shall the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No.1 in Toms River Township be authorized to purchase (2) utility body trucks and (1) pickup truck using surplus funds collected in prior budgets? These trucks will replace vehicles that have exceeded their life expectancy.

INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT

Approval of this guestion would authorize Toms River Fire District No. 1 to purchase (2) utility body and (1) pickup replacement vehicles. Monies utilized for this purchase have already been collected by the district in prior budgets and will have no additional tax impact to the residents of Toms River Fire District No. 1.

YES

NO

QUESTION NO. 5

Shall the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in Toms River Township be authorized to appropriate \$150,000.00 for repaying of the outdoor training area and additional upgrades at the Toms River Township Fire Training Center? Toms River Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 2 will reimburse the Toms River Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1 in the amount of \$54,000.00 for their share of the cost of these upgrades.

INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT

Approval of this question would authorize Toms River Fire District No. 1 to appropriate \$150,000.00 for improvements at the Toms River Township Training Center. The Board of Fire Commissioners operates in conjunction with Fire District No. 2 the Toms River Fire Training Center. Toms River Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 2 will reimburse the Toms River Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1 in the amount of \$54,000,00 for their share of the cost of these upgrades. In order to maintain and upgrade that facility, the Board seeks authority for its share of the expense. The share of expenses between the two districts is based upon the tax base of the two

YES

NO