

MINUTES
TOMS RIVER TOWNSHIP FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT NO. 1
1144 HOOPER AVE CONFERENCE ROOM "A"
BUDGET HEARING
JANUARY 3, 2024

A public budget hearing of the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, New Jersey was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Tutela with a salute to the Flag. The chairman made the following statement:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act by notice being posted in the Municipal Building, 33 Washington Street, Toms River; being filed with the municipal clerk and being transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and Star Ledger and to all persons who have requested copies in accordance with statute.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Latshaw-present Golden-present
Roman-present Minkler -present
Tutela-present

CARRIED

Administrator Kubiel, Budget Coordinator Dawn Halliwell and Auditor Lauren Holman were present. Bisceglie present to take minutes.

Commissioner Minkler read aloud the 2024 proposed budget. (See enclosed)

The public was invited to address the Board re: proposed 2024 budget.

Andy Goresh questioned:

1. The final budget amount expended for year 2023. Auditor Lauren Holman stated final numbers will not be available until the 2023 audit is complete.
2. Under professional services why is there such a significant increase from year 2021 to 2024. Kubiel answered there were investigations and a tort claim that has to be prepared.

Motion Minkler second Roman to close the floor to public comment.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 CARRIED

Resolution was presented, Motion Minkler second Roman adopting the 2024 budget. (See inserted Resolution)

ROLL CALL VOTE

Latshaw-Yes Golden-Yes
Roman-Yes Minkler-Yes
Tutela-Yes

CARRIED

Motion Roman second Minkler to close the public hearing on the 2024 budget @ 6:38 p.m.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 CARRIED

*Respectfully submitted,
Leonard Minkler, Clerk
Fire District No 1*

2024 ADOPTED BUDGET RESOLUTION

Toms River Fire District No. 1

FISCAL YEAR: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget for the Toms River Fire District No. 1 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024, has been presented for adoption before the Board of Commissioners of the Fire District at its open public meeting of January 4, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the adopted budget is in compliance with the Property Tax Levy Cap Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.44 et. seq.); and

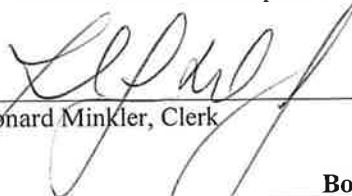
WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Revenues of \$9,880,949.03 which includes amount to be raised by taxation of \$6,603,515.82 and Total Appropriations of \$9,880,949.03; and

WHEREAS, an election shall be held annually on the third Saturday of February (only if required) in each established fire district to determine the amount to be raised by taxation for the ensuing year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire District at an open public meeting held on January 4, 2024 that the Annual Budget of the Fire District for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024, is hereby adopted and, *[subject to the proposed referendum being approved by 50 percent of the voters]* shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated and authorization of Total Revenues of \$9,880,949.03 which includes amount to be raised by taxation of \$6,603,515.82 and Total Appropriations of \$9,880,949.03; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an annual election shall be held on the third Saturday of February (only if required) to determine the amount to be raised by taxation for the ensuing year. The results of which shall be subsequently certified to the Division and the Municipal Assessor.



Leonard Minkler, Clerk

01-03-24
Date

Board of Fire Commissioners Recorded Vote

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
James Golden	X			
Raymond Latshaw	X			
Leonard Minkler	X			
Daniel Roman	X			
Richard Tutela	X			