

**MINUTES**  
**TOMS RIVER FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**1144 Hooper Ave**  
**Conference Room "A"**  
**January 22, 2025**

Commissioner Golden called a regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with a Salute to the Flag. A moment of silence was observed. The following statement was made:

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**

Tutela – present                      Krohn –present  
Minkler – present                      Roman -present  
Golden – present

Administrator Kubiell and Attorney Appleby present.  
Bisceglie present to take minutes.

**APPROVING THE MINUTES**

**Motion Roman second Minkler to approve the January 8, 2025 regular minutes providing a copy is made available for inspection by the public during this meeting.**

Ayes – 5    Nays – 0                      **CARRIED**

**Motion Minkler second Krohn to approve the January 8, 2025 Budget Hearing minutes providing a copy is made available for inspection by the public during this meeting.**

Ayes – 5    Nays – 0                      **CARRIED**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**COMMUNICATION** –Krohn stated as of today the phones are down and the fire dispatchers are currently assigned a cell phone.

**FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU**- No report

**FIRE ACADEMY** No report

**INSURANCE**-Tutela stated Christopher Kazoun received an ambulance bill and he was told to bring it to the board office for submittal.

**POLICE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**- No report

**LEGISLATION** –No report

**COUNCIL AND MAYOR** – Tutela stated the Toms River Township Council meetings have been changed to 4:00 p.m.

**VEHICLE REPAIR/NEW APPARATUS** – No report

**FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION**- Meeting Monday at Station 25.

**ADMINISTRATOR KUBIELL REPORT** –Kubiell stated:

1. Truck report is in your folders for review
2. Senator Tester has asked State to give him a briefing on the State Forestry management services and firefighting services. Reached out to his office to try to get a meeting with him. It is a good opportunity to let them know about the poor equipment and voice our concerns for him to bring to his meeting.

**ATTORNEY REPORT** – No report  
**REMOVALS FROM THE ROLLS**- None  
**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP**- None  
**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**-None

**NEW BUSINESS-**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE FDIC CONFERENCE.** A Resolution was presented, Motion Minkler second Roman authorizing reimbursement to Chief Louis Uffer, Chief David Rice, Asst. Chief William Giordano and Commissioner Richard Tutela.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**  
Tutela –Abstain Krohn-Yes  
Roman-Yes Minkler-Yes  
Golden-Yes

**PROCLAMATION FOR CARLTON SEAMAN 50 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO TOMS RIVER FIRE SERVICE** A Proclamation was presented, Motion Krohn second Minkler for Carlton Seaman for his 50 years of dedicated service. (See inserted proclamation)

**ROLL CALL VOTE**  
Tutela -Yes Krohn-Yes  
Roman-Yes Minkler-Yes  
Golden-Yes

**BILLS**  
Motion Minkler second Krohn to approve the bill list for January 22, 2025 providing funds are available. (SEE INSERTED LIST) Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 **CARRIED**

**PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC**- None

**PRIVATE EXECUTIVE SESSION** Private Executive Session- *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship and Legal advice* : Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting. May be formal action taken

1. Personnel – Last Chance Agreement
2. Personnel- Applicant
3. Personnel – CEPA
4. Anticipated litigation

Motion Krohn second Tutela to go into Private Executive Session @ 4:40 p.m.  
Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 **CARRIED**

Motion made to go back into open session by Commissioner Krohn, seconded by Commissioner Roman. All voted in favor.

**Motion made by Commissioner Roman, seconded by Commissioner Minkler, to approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of a Last Chance Agreement re: a firefighter.**

**Roll call:**

Commissioner Roman	yes
Commissioner Minkler	yes
Commissioner Tutela	yes
Commissioner Krohn	yes
Chairman Golden	yes

**Motion made by Commissioner Roman, seconded by Commissioner Tutela to approve the transfer of firefighter Nick McGinley from District 2 to District 1. All voted in favor.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Tutela, seconded by Commissioner Krohn, to authorize the Fire District Attorney to deny recent OPRA request from "Bob Blowhard" and to defend any GRC complaint. All voted in favor.**

**Motion to close made by Commissioner Krohn, seconded by Commissioner Roman. All voted in favor.**

Meeting ended at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Robert Krohn, Clerk

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOMS RIVER BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS,  
DISTRICT NO.1 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO  
CHIEF LOUIS UFFER, CHIEF DAVID RICE, ASSISTANT CHIEF WILLIAM  
GIORDANO and COMMISSIONER RICHARD TUTELA OF THE FIRE DISTRICT  
TOWARD THIER EXPENSES AND INCIDENTALS**

**JANUARY 22, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40 A: 14-81.5 allows for the fire districts to provide for and authorize payment to officers and employees of the fire district toward their expenses and incidentals thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Commissioners of District No. 1 in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, have agreed for Chief Louis Uffer, Chief David Rice, Assistant Chief William Giordano and Commissioner Richard Tutela to attend the FDIC Conference to be held April 7<sup>th</sup> –April 12<sup>th</sup> 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the monies to be reimbursed are to be applied to food, specific travel expenses and cost that are related to the conference; and expenses incurred shall not exceed \$65 per diem for meals and \$200 for ground travel; and

**WHEREAS**, all officers and members who are receiving said reimbursement shall be obligated to provide a verification of their expenses, for the purposes as outlined in this Resolution pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40 A: 14-81.5. Said officers and members are required to provide detailed invoices of all items which shall be accompanied by the Certification of the expenses incurred as a result of their attendance at the Conference. Said bill shall be submitted ten (10) days after completion of the travel for which reimbursement will be made.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that Toms River Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1 hereby authorizes payment to the following:

Chief Louis Uffer  
Chief David Rice  
Assistant Chief William Giordano  
Commissioner Richard Tutela

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Robert Krohn, Clerk of the Toms River Township Fire Commissioners District No. 1, in the Township of Toms River, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted at its meeting held on January 22, 2025.

  
Robert Krohn, Clerk District No.1

1-22-2025  
Date

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**TOMS RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE  
COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT NO.1  
PROCLAMATION**

*January 8, 2025*

*WHEREAS, Carlton E. Seaman Jr. has been a dedicated Firefighter in Toms River Fire District No. 1 for Fifty years; and*

*WHEREAS, Carlton E. Seaman Jr. has been a Firefighter for East Dover Fire Company since August 7, 1975, maintaining the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Toms River Township; and*

*WHEREAS, Carlton E. Seaman Jr. served in numerous leadership positions throughout the Fifty years as a volunteer, working to keep the fire service moving forward with the rapidly changing times; and*

*WHEREAS, Carlton E. Seaman Jr served as Chief of East Dover Fire Company in 1985 & 1986, Fire Commissioner from 1990 through 2002, District Chief 2010 and 2011 and Treasurer of East Dover Fire Company for 25 years ; and*

*WHEREAS, the members of Toms River Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1 honor Carlton E. Seaman Jr. for his extraordinary achievement and his commitment to the fire service.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** *the Fire Commissioners of Toms River Township Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1 proudly and publicly commend **Carlton E. Seaman Jr.** for his **FIFTY YEARS** of dedicated service.*



Expend Account Vendor	Description	P.O. Id	P.O. Description	Amount	Void Amount	PO Type
01- -128-01 -606	OFFICE SUPPLIES/SHIPPING					
A0099	ALL HANDS FIRE EQUIPMENT	24-00872	CO#3 LIFE VESTS	48.00	0.00	
W0134	WITMER ASSOCIATES, INC.	24-00935	CO#2 THERMAL CAMERA	14.00	0.00	
W0134	WITMER ASSOCIATES, INC.	24-00969	CO#2 FLIR 2 &CHARGERS	15.00	0.00	
T0033	TEAM LIFE, INC.	24-01278	ASSISTANT CHIEF AEDS	68.00	0.00	
				<u>145.00</u>		
01- -128-05 -607	OFFICE SUPPLIES/SHIPPING					
W0004	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	24-01330	SUPPLIES DIST#1	51.35	0.00	
01- -129-01 -648	VEHICLE REPAIR					
E0004	E.R.S. FLEET REPAIR, INC.	24-01329	2801,11	4,962.16	0.00	
01- -129-01 -651	TURNOUT GEAR CLEAN/REPAIR					
G0053	GEAR WASH	24-01319	GEAR INSPECTION/REPAIR	714.55	0.00	
01- -129-01 -659	GENERATOR MAINTENANCE					
G0072	GENSERVE, LLC	24-01322	REPAIR CO#2	400.00	0.00	
01- -129-05 -657	DIST#2 CHARGES TO BE REIMBURSED					
G0032	GANNETT NEW JERSEY NEWSPAPERS	24-01316	BUDGET/ELECTION/JT. MTG.	182.87	0.00	
01- -130-05 -290	PAYROLL SERVICES					
U0020	UKG KRONOS SYSTEMS, LLC	24-01317	WORKFORCE 12/24 INV#12345617	378.04	0.00	
01- -131-05 -730	TESTIMONIALS					
S0165	SKIP'S FLORIST	25-00031	CARSON	91.95	0.00	
	Fund Total:			44,507.96		
Total Charged Lines: 48 Total List Amount:				44,507.96	Total Void Amount:	0.00