

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Washington Township Fire District No. 1
P. O. Box 152
Washington, New Jersey 07882**

Minutes for April 12, 2017:

Meeting Called to Order by R. Dorio at 8:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Dorio requested a moment of silence for all fallen firefighters.

Roll Call

Chairman – Ralph Dorio – Present
Vice Chairman – Carl Shotwell – Present
Secretary – Karl Spolarich – Present
Treasurer – Margaret Tobin – Absent
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer – John Kappus – Present

Certification of Public Meeting Law

K. Spolarich, secretary, noted that this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of 1975 in as much as a notice had been published in *The Express Times* and/or *The Star Ledger* and posted at the municipal building.

Reading of Minutes

Minutes from the March 8, 2017, meeting were read by K. Spolarich. Motion to accept minutes as read made by C. Shotwell. Second was made by J. Kappus. All were in favor.

Correspondence

None.

Report of Fire Department

President P. Gormly reported that the fire department needs to submit an insurance claim for a halligan bar. President Gormly was instructed to contact Commissioner Kappus regarding said claim.

Report of Fire Chief

None.

Report of Fire Official

Monthly activity report for March 2017 read by Fire Official W. Heerwagen, Jr.

Fire Official W. Heerwagen, Jr., reported that the Bureau of Fire Prevention's computer was checked by the Geek Squad and it cannot be repaired. A new computer has been ordered for the Bureau of Fire Prevention.

Old Business

R. Dorio met with the Building Committee and reported that the fire department has decided that 76-64 should be replaced as a priority over a new building. R. Dorio expressed his disapproval of the fire department's decision.

New Business

J. Kappus reported that the roof was damaged at Washburn. An adjustor from VFIS has been out to assess said damage and the claim is moving forward.

Meeting opened to the public by R. Dorio at 8:23 P.M.

Brian Trimmer, 603 Route 57 East, commented that the brush truck purchased by the fire department is not designed to fight structure fires. He further commented that 76-64 has served the Township for seventeen years as a Class A pumper and that apparatus replacement should be a priority over a new building.

William Crampton, 173 Washburn Avenue, questioned the safety of the air packs that the Board has provided to the fire department and requested payment from the Board for a class he attended that is three months overdue.

William Crampton, 173 Washburn Avenue, questioned the current status of the LOSAP payments for the previous year. R. Dorio reported that the percentages are currently being reviewed and should be posted by the end of the month.

William Crampton, 173 Washburn Avenue, commented that the Fire District's website is not up to date. R. Dorio stated that he would contact the webmaster about updating the website.

William Crampton, 173 Washburn Avenue, questioned the current staffing levels of the fire department. R. Dorio reported that the statistics that he received from Chief Tobin indicated sufficient staffing. R. Dorio is currently refining said statistics.

Meeting closed to the public by R. Dorio at 8:39 P.M.

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills

Treasurer's report for April 6, 2017, submitted by M. Tobin and read by R. Dorio. Motion to pay bills made by C. Shotwell. Second was made by Karl Spolarich. All were in favor. The total of the approved bills for April 6, 2017, is \$62,529.75.

Miscellaneous

Resolution #17-010 – Appointment of Fire Official

Motion made by K. Spolarich to appoint Edward Kiley as the Fire Official for the Washington Township Bureau of Fire Prevention. Second was made by J. Kappus. All were in favor.

Adjournment

Motion made by J. Kappus to adjourn meeting at 8:53 P.M. Second was made by C. Shotwell. All were in favor.

Karl B. Spolarich
Secretary

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF WARREN**

Resolution #17-010

Appointing Fire Official

WHEREAS, the Fire District has previously created the position of Fire Official; and

WHEREAS, William Heerwagen, Jr., was appointed as Fire Official; and

WHEREAS, the Fire District deems it appropriate to not reappoint this individual to serve in this capacity.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 in the Township of Washington, County of Warren, as follows:

(1) Edward Kiley (NJDFS License I.D. No. 114728) of 35 Long Hill Avenue, Washington, New Jersey, is hereby appointed as Fire Official for 2017.

(2) A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State upon adoption.

Washington Township Fire District #1
Unpaid Bills Detail

All Transactions					
	Type	Date	Memo	Open Balance	Num
Bailey Duffell	Bill	04/06/2017	gym	73.83	3634
Total Bailey Duffell				73.83	3634
C&M Auto Parts	Bill	04/06/2017	wipers for '78-'87 red rocket	17.98	3635
Total C&M Auto Parts				17.98	3635
Comcast	Bill	04/06/2017		314.45	
Total Comcast				189.98	
Comcast	Bill	04/06/2017		504.43	3636
Total Comcast				5,272.99	
Fire and Safety Services , LTD.	Bill	04/06/2017		2,644.58	
Total Fire and Safety Services , LTD.				2,700.74	
Fleet Services	Bill	04/06/2017		10,618.31	3637
Total Fleet Services				230.76	3638
L & L Lawn and Garden Equipment	Bill	04/06/2017	fuel for tools for 82	222.00	
Total L & L Lawn and Garden Equipment				222.00	3639
M&W Communications	Bill	04/06/2017		3,567.76	
Total M&W Communications				3,567.76	3640
New Jersey American Water	Bill	04/06/2017		5,682.60	
Total New Jersey American Water				5,682.60	3641
Oshkosh Capital	Bill	04/06/2017	76.65	40,369.13	
Total Oshkosh Capital				40,369.13	3642
R & B Fabricators	Bill	04/06/2017		16.55	
Total R & B Fabricators				16.55	3643

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Unpaid Bills Detail

		All Transactions		Open Balance	Num
	Type	Date	Memo		
R&L Data Centers Inc.	Bill	04/08/2017		140.91	
Total R&L Data Centers Inc.				140.91	3644
Richard M. Braslow, ESQ	Bill	04/08/2017		85.00	
Total Richard M. Braslow, ESQ	Bill	04/08/2017		68.00	
Staples	Bill	04/08/2017	batteries	153.00	3645
Total Staples				229.99	
Verizon Wireless	Bill	04/08/2017		702.50	3646
Total Verizon Wireless				702.50	
TOTAL				62,529.75	3647