

**BOARD of FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MOUNT HOLLY FIRE DISTRICT No. 1**

*Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 7, 2023
37 Washington Street
7:00pm*

Call to Order:

Chairman McIlwee called the March 7, 2023 meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Mount Holly Fire District No. 1 to order at 7:10 PM.

Statement of Adequate Notice:

Director Donnelly read the following statement aloud:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and the right to attend all meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting the public's interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 has caused notice of this meeting to be given by having the date, time, place, and agenda to the extent known thereof posted as follows:

- Published in the Burlington County Times on January 31, 2023.
- Published in the Courier Post on January 31, 2023.
- Forwarded to the Municipal Clerk for posting on January 27, 2023.
- Posted in the Fire District Administration Office.
- Posted at the Good Intent Fire Company
- Posted on the Official Fire District Website.

The Notice set forth that formal action may be taken.

Roll Call:

Present: Commissioner Sheppard, Commissioner Saucier, Commissioner Brown, Vice Chairman Fajgier, Chairman McIlwee

Absent:

Staff & Professionals: Director Donnelly, Clerks Brooks

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence:

Chairman McIlwee requested that all present stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and remain standing for a moment of silence for our departed members and those lost in the line of duty.

2023 Budget Presentation:

Director Donnelly presented the approved 2023 MHFD Budget to those in attendance.

Public Hearing on 2023 Budget

Chairman McIlwee opened the floor to the public for any questions or statements related to the budget as presented by the Director. With no members of the public coming forward to speak, he then opened the floor to the Board for discussion.

Resolution 2023-3: Resolution Adopting the 2023 Mount Holly Fire District No.1 Budget

Following the presentation and discussion of the adopted 2023 MHFD Budget, Vice Chairman Fajgier offered a motion to adopt the approved 2023 MHFD Budget, as presented. Commissioner Saucier provided a second to the motion. At call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Aye: Sheppard, Saucier, Brown, Fajgier, McIlwee
Nay:

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

February 7, 2023 Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting

Commissioner Sheppard offered a motion to approve the meeting minutes of February 7, 2023, as presented. Commissioner Saucier provided a second to the motion. At call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Aye: Sheppard, Saucier, Brown, Fajgier, McIlwee
Nay:

Approval of Monthly District Reports:

Fire Chief

Chief Mason will submit reports once the County's RMS is updated.

Approval of Vouchers:

As prepared and presented.

Vouchers will be presented for approval at the next meeting as they were not available. Director Donnelly will continue to ensure prompt payment of all claims in the interim.

Matters Presented by the Public:

No members of the public approached wishing to speak.

Old Business:

Relief project update

Director Donnelly provided an update to those present as the project crawls toward inspections and issuance of a TCO by the Construction Official.

New Business:

Membership

Jamel Reyes – FF1

Following satisfactory fulfillment of the district's application requirements, Commissioner Brown offered a motion to approve the applicants for active membership. Vice Chairman Fajgier provided a second to the motion. At call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Aye: Sheppard, Saucier, Brown, Fajgier, McIlwee
Nay:

Matters to be Presented by the Director:

Director Donnelly presented projects anticipated for 2023.

Matters to be Presented by the Solicitor:

No report presented.

Matters to be Presented by the Board:

Commissioner Brown stated that he was contacted by the Union Fire Company in order to express interest in a meeting to discuss the future of the company. Commissioner Brown and the Director will coordinate a meeting and advise the Chairman.

Next Meetings:

With no additional items being presented, Chairman McIlwee announced the next meetings of the Board as follows:

Meeting: Board of Fire Commissioners
Date: Tuesday, April 4, 2023
Time: 7:00pm
Location: 37 Washington Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060

Meeting: Board of Fire Commissioners
Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2023
Time: 7:00pm
Location: 37 Washington Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060

Adjournment:

Lacking additional business or discussion presented for consideration, Commissioner Brown offered a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Sheppard provided a second to the motion. At call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Aye: Sheppard, Saucier, Brown, Fajgier, McIlwee
Nay:

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman McIlwee at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Saucier, Secretary
(As prepared by Director Donnelly)