

# **Board of Commissioners**

**Mount Holly Fire District No. 1**

**17 Pine Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060**

## **AGENDA**

**FEBRUARY 19, 2026, 5:30pm**

*This agenda for the special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, and the resolutions linked to this agenda, reflect the agenda and proposed resolutions to the extent known at the time of posting, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(d). The agenda and resolutions are tentative. The agenda is subject to amendment, additions, or deletions prior to the meeting pursuant to Board policies and procedures.*

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The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting its interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, place, and agenda, to the extent known thereof, posted as follows:

- Posted on the District Website
- Posted with the Township Clerk
- Posted where applicable

### ***Formal Action May be Taken.***

1. Call to Order: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Roll Call

**Commissioner Logue:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Treasurer Gaskill:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Commissioner Sheppard:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vice Chair Saucier:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chairman Thiessen:** \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence

#### **4. Public Comment (AGENDA MATTERS ONLY)**

The public comment portion of the meeting is to allow the public to bring their concerns or comments to the Board. The Board will respect the public's time by refraining from any comments until the speaker is finished. It should be noted that the public comment portion of the meeting is not structured as a question-and-answer session. If a member of the public has questions, an appointment can be made with the appropriate personnel. We ask that the public state their full name and address for the record and **keep their comments to 3 minutes.**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ONLY ALLOWED TO SPEAK ONCE.** The public portion is also not for arguing, insulting, speaking out of turn (i.e. **Screaming from the audience, insulting staff or board members or inciting riotous behavior**) or you will be asked to leave as stated in Resolution 2025-011 that was passed on March 5, 2025

#### **4. New Business:**

Public Comment on RESOLUTION 2026-11 (RESOLUTION ADOPTING DISTRICT 2026 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.4) & RESOLUTION 2026-12 (RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2026 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.3 FISCAL YEAR: FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 TO DECEMBER 31, 2026)

#### **5. RESOLUTION 2026-011- Resolution Adopting District 2026 Budget Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.4**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_\_

Aye: JG, RL, NS, JS, JT      Nay: JG, RL, NS, JS, JT      Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **6. RESOLUTION 2026-012- Resolution To Amend the 2026 Budget Pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:14-78.3 Fiscal Year: From January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_\_

Aye: JG, RL, NS, JS, JT      Nay: JG, RL, NS, JS, JT      Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **10. Adjournment**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_\_

Aye: JG, RL, NS, JS, JT      Nay: JG, RL, NS, JS, JT      Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution No. 2026-11

RESOLUTION ADOPTING DISTRICT 2026 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.4

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, noticed and held a public hearing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.2 on the proposed annual budget for fiscal year 2026, from January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026, on February 19, 2026, hereinafter referenced as the "annual budget"; and

WHEREAS, the annual budget has been presented for adoption before the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, at its noticed public meeting held on February 19, 2026; 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 State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, 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 \$1,968,080.00 which includes the amount to be raised by taxation of \$1,711,445.00 and total appropriations of \$1,968,080.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that at its noticed public meeting held on February 19, 2026, the annual budget of Fire District No. 1 for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, be and is hereby adopted and shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated and authorization of total revenues of \$1,968,080.00 which includes the amount to be raised by taxation of \$1,711,445.00 and total appropriations of \$1,968,080.00; 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 State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2026 adopted budget for fiscal year 2026 be attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board Clerk be authorized to forward the annual adopted budget to the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Director of the Division of Local Government Services, for its adoption; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a signed, conformed and compared copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the District Auditor, Gerwin K. Bauer, C.P.A., of the firm of Mohel, Elliott, Bauer & Gass, 8 Executive Drive, Suite 1, Toms River, New Jersey 08755; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the within Resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any resolution or part of a resolution inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed or otherwise revoked; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in this Resolution is for any reason held or determined to be unconstitutional or invalid, same shall not affect the remainder of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notwithstanding anything set forth herein to the contrary, the Board shall be permitted to amend, modify, repeal or otherwise act as to those topics which are the subject of this Resolution provided said acts are consistent with public policy, Board bylaws, township ordinances, local, state and federal laws and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an original signed, conformed and compared copy of this Resolution be accessible and maintained as an official Board record pursuant to and in accordance with the "Open Public Records Act"; N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, *et seq.* and the "Destruction of Public Records Law (1953)"; N.J.S.A. 47:3-8.1, *et seq.* as set forth by the State of New Jersey Municipal Agency Record Retention Schedule promulgated by the Division of Archives and Record Management.

Board of Commissioners Recorded Vote

Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
June Gaskill						
Rosemarie Logue						
Nicole Saucier						
Jeena Sheppard						
Jules Thiessen						

CERTIFICATION

I, Jules Thiessen, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true conformed and compared copy of an original Resolution now on file and of record in the District office which was duly adopted at a public meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

I do further certify that the said Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, is composed of - 5 - members and that - - members were present and - - members voted affirmatively for the adoption of the Resolution and - - members voted against the adoption of the Resolution.

The undersigned further certifies that the above Resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the said Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, on this 19th day of February, 2026.

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Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District No. 1  
Township of Mount Holly

# **Mount Holly Township Fire District #1**

## **RESOLUTION 2026-12**

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2026 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.3**  
**FISCAL YEAR: FROM JANUARY 1, 2026, TO DECEMBER 31, 2026**

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2026 was introduced on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing on the 2026 Fire District budget will be held on February 19, 2026 as publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to amend certain line items in the 2026 Budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Mount Holly Township Fire District No. 1 that the following amendments to the introduced 2026 Fire District Budget be made:

### **REVENUES AND FUND BALANCE UTILIZED**

F-1	<u>From</u>	<u>To:</u>
Total Fund Balance Utilized	\$173,390.00	\$206,639.00
Total Revenues and Fund Balance Utilized	\$223,386.00	\$256,635.00
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$1,934,831.24	\$1,968,079.76

### **APPROPRIATIONS**

Total Cost of Operations & Maintenance	\$1,055,992.48	\$1,022,744.00
Deferred Charges	\$0.00	\$33,249.00
Total Principal Payments on Debt Service	\$345,000.00	\$373,082.00
Total Interest Payments on Debt Service	\$134,718.76	\$139,884.76
Total Appropriations	\$1,934,831.24	\$1,968,079.76

### **TOTAL REVENUES AND FUND BALANCE UTILIZED**

F-2	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Unrestricted Fund Balance Utilized	\$173,390.00	\$206,639.00
Total Fund Balance Utilized	\$173,390.00	\$206,639.00
Total Revenues and Fund Balance Utilized	\$223,386.00	\$256,635.00

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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Other Expenses - detailed	\$101,748.48	\$68,500.00
Total Operations & Maintenance - Other	\$726,168.48	\$692,920.00
Total Operations & Maintenance	\$1,055,992.48	\$1,022,744.00
2 Pickup Truck's first P&I payments 2025	\$ .00	\$33,249.00
Total Deferred Charges	\$ .00	\$33,249.00
Total Principal Payments on Debt Service	\$345,000.00	\$373,082.00
Total Interest Payments on Debt Service	\$134,718.76	\$139,884.76
Total Appropriations	\$1,934,831.24	\$1,968,079.76

TOTAL DEBT SERVICE PRINCIPAL

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Capital Lease Principal	\$0.00	\$28,082.00
Total Principal Obligations	\$345,000.00	\$373,082.00

TOTAL DEBT SERVICE INTEREST

Capital Lease Interest	\$0.00	\$5,166.00
Total Principal Obligations	\$134,718.76	\$139,884.76

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Fund Balance Utilized in 2026 Proposed Budget	\$173,390.00	\$206,639.00
Proposed Balance After Utilization in 2026 Proposed Budget	\$224,941.00	\$191,692.00

LEVY CAP SUMMARY

Change in Total Debt Service Appropriation	\$2,881.26	\$36,129.26
Total Exclusions	\$2,881.26	\$36,129.26
Adjusted Tax Levy	\$1,672,183.83	\$1,705,431.83
Amount Utilized from Cap Bank from 2025	\$39,261.41	\$6,012.93
Revised Cap Bank from Prior Year (2025) Available for 2027 Budget	\$0.00	\$33,249.07

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that that this complete amendment, presented for adoption in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.3, be published in the Burlington County Times, website, MUA, Mount Holly Township Building and on the door of the Firehouse and that said publication contain notice of public hearing on said amendment to be held at the Fire Station , 17 Pine Street, Mount Holly NJ on **February 19, 2026, at 5:30PM.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution shall be uploaded in FAST for the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for the certification of the 2026 Fire District Budget as so amended.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Jules Thiessen, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Mount Holly Township Fire District #1, New Jersey, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution to adopt by the Board of Fire Commissioners at a meeting held on February 19, 2026.

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Jules Thiessen

### Governing Body Recorded Vote

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
June Gaskill					
Rosemarie Logue					
Nicole Saucier					
Jeena Sheppard					
Jules Thiessen					