

Weymouth Township Fire District No. 1

PO Box 175, Dorothy, NJ 08317

The Weymouth Township Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #1 will endeavor to provide the best fire protection and emergency services possible to the residents and taxpayers of Weymouth Township and those who work and travel in the Township and every effort will be made to do so in a cost-effective manner.

December 16, 2025:

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Weymouth Township was called to order by Doug Frick at 7:33 pm at the Dorothy Fire Hall located in Weymouth Township.

Public Notice of this meeting was sent to the Daily Journal for publication as prescribed by law. Notice was also posted on the Fire District website. All requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been achieved for this meeting in compliance with the Sunshine Law.

Call to Order and Flag Salute 7:33

Roll Call:

Doug Frick (present) Chairman
Elizabeth Hand (present) Treasurer
Hansel Torriero (absent)
Donnel Ruga (present) Secretary
Michael Brandenberger (absent)

Motion was made by Chairman Frick to address the reorganization of the Commission for the year 2026. All positions will stay the same as noted above with the addition of Michael Brandenberger will be the Vice-Chairman. Donnel Ruga seconded the motion and all were in Favor.

Elizabeth Hand and Donnel Ruga took the Oath of Office to the Commission after having been voted back into the positions during November's election.

Minutes from the November 2025 meeting were emailed to members prior for review. No issues noted.

Motion for approval of the Nov. meeting minutes was made by E Hand, seconded by Doug Frick and all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: 7:45

Checking balance as of Dec 14,2025: **\$76,043.68**

Total of bills to be paid: \$10,461.96 Balance after bills will be:\$65,581.72

Savings balance: \$30,259.10

Deposit made Dec 16 of \$268.50 from the DVFC for fuel reimbursement .

Bill explanations:

- ~A bill for Clean Energy Ventures was added to the list in error. \$545.42 removed from the list of bills to be paid.
- ~A bill for EMS payroll of DVFC was added to the bills to pay list in the amount of \$7,000.
- ~A bill of \$293.93 for reimbursement of the DVFC for purchases of building supplies that was previously approved by the commission.
- ~ Adjusted total to bills to pay list is noted above.
- ~A transfer of capital funds in the checking account will be completed by Treasure Hand in the amount of \$35,165 to the savings account for future truck payment.

Resolution 2025-07

Transferring of Budget Line Item monies as noted below:

-\$4,680.00 from Equipment-personnel to Equipment-vehicle to cover new hose purchase.

-\$220.00 from Advertising to Equipment-vehicle for the hose purchase.
(total that will be in Equipment-vehicle \$7,015.02 to cover hose purchase of \$6,876.00)

-\$5,000 from Radio Maintenance transferred to Vehicle Maintenance/repair

Roll call vote:

- Doug Frick (present) Chairman -yes
- Elizabeth Hand (present) Treasurer -yes
- Hansel Torriero (absent)
- Donnel Ruga (present) Secretary -yes
- Michael Brandenberger (absent)

The resolution passed.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Doug Frick and seconded by Donnel Ruga. All in favor.

Motion to pay the bills was made by Doug Frick and seconded by Donnel Ruga. All were in favor.

Old business 8:03

~Doug Frick read the proposed changes to the WTFC By-laws in regard to changing the monthly meetings to be held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm.

~Motion for Resolution 2025-08 to reflect this change was made by Donnel Ruga, seconded by Elizabeth Hand. All were in favor and the Resolution passed. Dates will be posted in all appropriate places by Chairman Frick.

~Annual business registration will be renewed by Treasure Hand.

~The 2026 Budget was presented to the State by Acct Tonya Davita and accepted. Roll call vote was completed to adopt the 2026 budget as presented.

Roll call vote:

Doug Frick (present) Chairman -yes

Elizabeth Hand (present) Treasurer -yes

Hansel Torriero (absent)

Donnel Ruga (present) Secretary -yes

Michael Brandenberger (absent)

Budget adopted and paperwork was completed by Ms. Davita. Signed paperwork will be submitted to the state on Dec. 17.

New business 8:19

~None

Meeting opened to the public 8:20

Chief Hand

~Truck graphics were agreed upon and the new truck should hopefully be done in jan 2026.

~ A bid for \$8,000 was made to Maurice River Twp to contract EMS services for the Cumberland area starting January 2026.

~ Vehicle issues that will need repair:

1270- tender pump will need to be replaced. Approx \$9,000.00

1271- front two tires will need to be replaced. Approx \$1600.00

~ 2025 saw an all time high for fire calls at 208.

~ DVFC will be requesting a \$15,000 increase for the coverage of EMS in Estell Manor for a total of \$40,000 to cover 2026.

Closed meeting to the public @ 8:35pm

~ None

Meeting adjourned at @8:36 pm

The next meeting will be January 8,2026 at 7:00 pm.