

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.

October 21, 2025:

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Weymouth Township was called to order by Michael Brandenberger at 7:30 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 7:30

Roll Call:

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

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

Motion for approval of the September meeting minutes was made by Hansel Torriero, seconded by Elizabeth Hand and all were in favor.

Discussion was held with accountant Tonya Devito in regard to the budget process for 2026. She will develop the budget with the proposed information put forth by the Commission and return in November for approval.

One item of note is that the next budget will continue to look to bring the Oaks of Weymouth household contribution to the Fire District in line with the average Weymouth household. The Oaks fee is approx. \$90/year vs. the \$160/year paid by non Oaks residents.

Treasurer's Report: 7:46

Checking balance as of Oct. 20, 2025: **\$43,716.73**

Total of bills to be paid: \$4,185.57 Balance after bills will be: \$39,531.16

Savings balance: \$30,257.63

Bill explanations:

~ ADS was for new brake pads and oil change on 1274

~Copies Plus has multiple bills because the treasurer did not get the previous bills.

~Dival Saftey bill is for renaming of FF gear

~AT&T bill had a discrepancy on the list of bills. Treasure Hand corrected it and the bill is for \$190.62. The total of bills to be paid was adjusted to show this change.

~Napa bill was for bulbs and batteries for 1274

~ All other bills listed are self explanatory

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

Motion to pay the bills was made by Hansel Torriero and seconded by Elizabeth Hand. All were in favor.

Old business 7:51

~The payment from the Township was noted on the paystub as 3rd quarter payment but Treasurer Hand is not showing a 2nd quarter payment. Treasurer Hand is still going to meet with the Twp. accountant to clear the situation up and will be reporting back next month.

New business 7:55

~ Michael Brandenberger requested that in the future the paper work that is handed out at the meeting could be emailed to any missing Commissioner for review.

Meeting opened to the public 7:59

~ Chief Hand:

-Request was made to have permission to use money in the Equipment/Vehicle line item budget to be used for new items that are needed in anticipation of the new truck delivery. Hopefully the truck will be delivered before the end of the year. Money to be used is approx \$6,600.00

-Second request for shifting \$5,000 from the Equipment Personnel line item to be transferred into the Vehicle Maintenance line item to cover a deficit. The remaining monies in the Equipment line will go to purchase additional "Bail out" equipment.

-Third request to utilize approx \$2000.00 from the building maintenance line to replace trash cans, fencing and misc needed items for the building.

Closed meeting to the public @ 8:09pm

~ Motion was made to approve the requested expenditures as noted:

-Up to \$6,600 from the Equipment/Vehicle line to be used for new truck items.

-Up to \$4,700 from Equipment/Personnel to be utilized to purchase bail out equipment.

-Up to \$2,000 from building maintenance to purchase new items needed for the building.

Motion made by Hansel Torriero and seconded by Donnel Ruga. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at @8:14 pm

The next meeting will be November 18th, 2025 at 7:00 pm.