

Franklin Township Fire District No. 1

Meeting Minutes

May 12th, 2026

Meeting opened with the Flag Salute

The 314th meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Franklin Township Fire District No. 1, Township of Franklin, County of Hunterdon, was called to order by President H.Laine at 6:30 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENT: “This meeting is convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice of the meeting has been provided by furnishing announcement thereof, to the *Hunterdon County Democrat*, and/or *The Express Times*, and/or the *Star Ledger*, and/or the *Courier News*, by posting notice in the Municipal Building and by filing a notice with the Municipal Clerk.”

ROLL CALL: President H.Laine, present; Treasurer D. Stephens, present; Secretary P. Enea III, present; Vice President, C.Patkochis, present; Assistant Secretary, S.Bell, present.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH: A Motion to accept the minutes of May 12thth 2026, was made by D.Stephens seconded by S.Bell. Roll call vote: P. Enea, aye; S.Bell, aye; H. Laine, aye; C. Patkochis, aye. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: D.Stephens advised of a total income of \$1,117.65 and expenses totaling \$151,155.99 for the period March 10th, 2026., through April 14th, 2026. Motion to pay the bills for the period of April 15th, 2026, through May 12th, 2026, was made by S.Bell, seconded by P.Enea. Roll call vote: P. Enea, aye; S.Bell, aye; H. Laine, aye; C. Patkochis, aye. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

H.Laine advised the board of Resolution 2026-8 Approval of the 2025 Audit. Review Motion to approve the Resolution Amendment was made by C. Patkochis, seconded by S.Bell. Roll call vote: P. Enea, aye; S.Bell, aye; H. Laine, aye; C. Patkochis, aye. Motion carried.

H.Laine advised the board that Engine 91 Transmission was serviced by the manufacturer, still having transmission codes on the dash and gear selector.

H.Laine advised the board that the Time Clock is installed and to be used by all district staff going forward.

H.Laine advised the board that the soil was tested from the leaking oil tank. The report should be in 5/13. The soil was positive for vapors, the soil was sent to the lab to estimate how far the leak is.

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT: No Report.

QUAKERTOWN FIRE COMPANY CHIEF'S REPORT: No Report.

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QUAKERTOWN FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Geib advised that new member C.Lazorchak was approved as a new Firefighter. QFC welcomed a previous member, C.Sheireck, who is now an EMT and previous member, W.Fleck as a Firefighter.

President Geib advised they held their the 2nd Annual Golf Outing and it was very successful. QFC is beginning the planning for 2027s event. QFC is also holding a Memorial Day service at the firehouse to honor the fallen.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business a Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7.209PM by S.Bell seconded by P.Enea. All in favor, Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Wesley Hockin, Secretary



Heikki Laine, President