

**Commissioners of Fire District No.1
Franklin Township, Somerset County, New Jersey
OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 24, 2021**

The conference call meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. at the 1-646-307-1479, pass 950181 by Chairman Shimalla, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the Sunshine Law Statement. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing a notice to the Home News Tribune and the Courier News and by filing a notice with the Clerk of Franklin Township and by posting a notice in the Municipal Building, DeMott Lane, Somerset, NJ, all of which contain information concerning hours and places of these meetings. (A moment of silence was held for our departed brothers and sisters.)

Commissioners Hibbard, Janho, and Shimalla were present.

The Fire Departments were represented by:

Elizabeth Avenue	A.Scott
Middlebush	J. Ubry
Millstone Valley.....	JT Giorgianni
Somerset.....	C. Gianotto

The minutes of the 4/26/2021 Regular meeting and the Re-org meeting.- Motion to approve by Commissioner Shimalla, second by Commissioner Janho – All present in favor.

TREASURERS REPORT: Commissioner Shimalla presented the treasurer’s report. Commissioner Janho made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report and for the bills to be paid, second by Commissioner Shimalla. All present in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE – no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORTS: No report

INSURANCE: If you are comfortable going for your physical, you may, you will not be seen if you have a fever of over 100.

LOSAP: No report.

PURCHASING:. No report.

DISTRICT LINE OFFICERS' MEETING: Held on Thursday May 20, 2021 – meetings will be swapped every other month with SOG meetings.

TRUCK & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE: All in service

- Sta. 26 – All in service
- Sta. 28 – All in service
- Sta. 44 – All in service
- Sta. 56 – All in service

IT and GIS and RED ALERT– Commissioner Shimalla – committee met, narrowed down to three companies hoping to finish by June/July. Moving along.

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION/INTERNET PRESENCE: Some of the companies were at the project graduation food truck event this past Saturday.

RADIO REPAIRS & COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Radio committee to get together to discuss T-band. Approved up to \$2,000 to acquire frequencies.
2. Committee so far is Commissioner Hibbard and Bob Cuddy

FIRE PREVENTION BOARD: No report

STANDARDS COMMITTEE: No meeting Next meeting June 24th Elizabeth Avenue at 7PM – switching every other

TRAINING: No report

HOSE TESTING- no report Dawn to send out report from last years hose testing.

BUDGET/ELECTION- Budget passed, Pat Shimalla and Rich Hibbard were re-elected.

ENGINE 56-1 – In service some minor issues

TRAFFIC SIGNAL DEVICES: all in service. Looking at two new ones.on Amwell Rd

FIVE-YEAR PLAN: no update

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION PLAN: On hold – members can go if they want. CDC regulations are changing - update in next month or so.Station 56 had 22 members fit tested, Station 44 fit testing is June 28 and Station 28 fit testing is end of July all in house.

ANNUAL AWARDS COMMITTEE / ANNUAL INSPECTION: No report

OLD BUSINESS: no report

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Commissioner Janho stated that there are some checks and vouchers that need to be signed in the office.
2. Commissioner Shimalla – letter from C. Ryan on cancer concerns and ICV changes – to be addressed next month.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY PERIOD:

Commissioner Shimalla made a motion to open the meeting to the public, Commissioner Janho second. All present in favor.

Motion to close the meeting to the public by Commissioner Shimalla, second by Commissioner Janho-All present in favor

No executive session.

Motion to close the meeting at 8:24 Commissioner Janho, second by Commissioner Hibbard. All in favor

Commissioner Janho, Clerk

MINUTES, DATED 5-24-2021

Type of Meeting: Agenda Special Work Session Discussion

Location: CONFERENCE CALL 1-646-307-1479 PASSCODE 950181 **Time:** 7:15

Fire Commissioners Attending:

_A_J. Goldberg X__ R. Hibbard _A__T. Janho _X__P. Shimalla A J. Wickman

Others Attending:

NO Quorum – no meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Shimalla, Chairman

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VOTING RECORD
REGULAR MEETING May 24, 2021**

MOTION	GOLDBERG	HIBBARD	JANHO	SHIMALLA	WICKMAN
No Agenda session					
Approve mins meeting 4/26/21 Reg 5/4/21 Re-Org	A	Y	S-Y	M-Y	A
Approve Treasurers Report	A	M -Y	Y	S-Y	A
Public Commentary opened	A	Y	S-Y	M-Y	A
Public commentary closed	A	Y	S-Y	M-Y	A
Meeting closed 8:24	A	S-Y	M-Y	Y	A

A=ABSENT FOR VOTE

M=MADE THE MOTION

S=SECONDED THE MOTION

Y=AYE VOTE

N=NO VOTE