



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

FIRE DISTRICT #9 ISELIN, NJ

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May 12, 2026

The combined monthly Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioner of District 9, 1222 Green Street, Iselin, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:29p.m. by the Chairman under Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975 with notices posted in the Home News Tribune, on the bulletin board at Fire Company #1 and #2, and at Town Hall as prescribed by law. A salute to the flag was led by the Fire Commissioner followed by a moment of silence.

Roll Call of Commissioners: E.A. Mullen, S. Burrows, M. Rudy, K. Williams and D. Thaker. Also, in attendance were W. Kenney, Fire Chief M. Wertz, Board Attorney D. DiYanni and Fire Company President K. Wertz

This is a regular monthly meeting.

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by M. Rudy with everyone in favor (E.A. Mullen, S. Burrows and D. Thaker) to pay the bills for the month of April in the amount of \$205,689.09.

Reports of Committees:

Business Administrator:

Apparatus:

Air and gas gave approval from Brindlee Mountain for 9-4 repairs. The repairs are under warranty. A quote was also submitted for elbows to lengthen the hoses in the four chambers, \$1070.52. 9-6 has a couple issues and a leak. After ladder testing, 9-2-4 has a ladder alignment light. EES will come to check it out. There is a quote for \$3,896 for hose testing. The tailpipes on 9-2-5 and 9-2-4 are bent.

Facilities:

Mr. Kenney is working with Brian Austin to determine what phone numbers are being kept and where they will source to. The new SCBA compressor was installed at House 2.

Neil Sullivan came in to repair the AC unit over the bureau office and it has been fixed. The quote for annual traffic light maintenance \$927. The new washer and dryer will be delivered to House 2 on Thursday. The oxygen cascade is going up at Colonial First Aid.

Communications:

- Radio chargers are in and are awaiting installation.
- There will be about a month before mobiles can go in.
- Work continues with auditors.
- LSAOP provider will be coming in to review some hard copy paperwork.
- Joint board was last night

A motion was made by M. Rudy and seconded by D. Thaker with everyone in favor (E.A. Mullen, S. Burrows and K. Williams) to accept the business administration report.

Fire Official:

There was one call-out fire investigation for the month of April. A request will be put in for some fire prevention material. There will be a clarification email sent to Brookside.

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by S. Burrows with everyone in favor (E.A. Mullen, M. Rudy and D. Thaker) to accept the fire official report.

Fire Chief Report:

- Firefighter Bedling qualified on 9-6. Paperwork was submitted.
- 3 requests for training.

A motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by S. Burrows with everyone in favor (E.A. Mullen, S. Burrows and K. Williams) to accept the fire chief report, including training requests.

Fire Company President:

Swore in one member, lost one member. Total 38.

American Flag needs to be found and pressed for display.

Purchase Agent/Legal:

CME came back with a revised proposal to provide construction oversight services. The quote went from \$19,000 to \$60,000. This would be in addition to what was already quoted. The purchase agent believes it would be the best route to request that CME

oversees the initial start of the project and final inspection only. Also, to go under cooperative to award the contract for the work to be done.

Communications:

- Open request for 5 years' worth of items, purchase orders, vendor names, etc. It was replied to.
- Financial Report from joint board.
- Fire Chief Report.
- Fire Official Report.
- Agenda

A motion was made by M. Rudy and seconded by D. Thaker with all in favor (E.A. Mullen, S. Burrows and K. Williams) to accept the communications report.

Resolutions:

- Resolution of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District 9, appointing Mary Wertz as the Fire Official, effective May 1st.
- Appointing Brian Gurgich as a part-time fire inspector.
- Appointing David Bonilla as a part-time fire inspector.
- Appointing Kevin Wertz as a part-time fire inspector.
- Resolution of the Board of Fire Commissioners authorizing the prepayment of certain recurring and time-sensitive obligations to ensure compliance with the Prompt Pay Act.

New Business:

A letter was submitted May 12, 2026, from William F. Kenney, Jr. This letter advises of his retirement from the position of business administrator effective September 1, 2026.

The commissioners gave their heartfelt thanks for the over 30 years of service and congratulations for the upcoming retirement.

Public Discussion: None at this time.

At 7:49p.m. a motion was made by K. Williams and seconded by S. Burrows with everyone (E.A. Mullen, M. Rudy and D. Thaker) in favor to adjourn the meeting

Secretary

Board of Fire Commissioners, District #9

Minutes taken by:

R. Jimenez