

**Board of Fire Commissioners
LINDENWOLD FIRE DISTRICT No.1
Emergency Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: December 4, 2017
Meeting Place: Fire Administration Building
Meeting Called To Order: 7:30pm
Members of Board Present: **Chairman** – Clifford Ruth
Vice Chairman – Richard J. Paul, Jr.
Secretary – Wayne Hans
Treasurer – Raymond McManus
Commissioner – Frank Weindel
District Clerk – Kathleen Crockett
Solicitor – Richard Tavani, Esq.

Salute the Flag

Sunshine Law – Comm. Ruth

In accordance with the NJ Sunshine Law this meeting has been properly advertised and is open to the public. The public portion will follow the resolutions of the Board.

Roll Call Commissioners

All present.

Sol.Tavani: Mr. Chairman, if I may. Although it was advertised as a caucus meeting, we are actually passing resolutions tonight to have an emergency meeting so that we can take some action regarding the appointment of a temporary Fire Official. So the record should reflect that we have Resolution 2017-29 which is a resolution authorizing an emergency meeting for the sole purpose of the temporary appointment of a Fire Official that is proposed resolution 2017-30. The basis is our current Fire Official is unavailable relating to personnel issues. The notice of this resolution and of this emergency meeting has been posted. We also advertised the holding of this emergency meeting to address this emergent issue, re the appointment of a Fire Official in a subsequent public notice. And we will establish in the minutes today of the urgency and importance of having this meeting because we currently do not have a Fire Official as a result of some personnel issues we had with our current Fire Official, and I would ask for action on Resolution 2017-29 and 2017-30.

Open Session – Comm. Ruth

Comm. Ruth: As previously stated by the Solicitor, we have:

Resolution 2017-29 Authorizing an emergency meeting for the temporary appointment of a Fire Official.

Motion made by Comm. McManus, seconded by Comm. Weindel. Any questions? (hearing none)

Roll call vote, all yes.

Resolution 2017-30 Appointing Timothy Shannon as the Temporary Fire Official.

Motion made by Comm. Hans, seconded by Comm. McManus.

Sol.Tavani: I'd like to point out that Mr. Shannon does have the requisite certificate to be a Fire Official. We've established that prior to the resolution being heard.

Comm. Ruth: Any question? (hearing none) Roll call vote, all yes.

Comm. Ruth: At this time is there any other business for the meeting? (hearing none)

Public Portion – Comm. Ruth

Comm. Ruth: Can I have a motion to open to the public?

Motion made by Comm. McManus, seconded by Comm. Paul to open to the public. All in favor, ayes have it. (hearing none)

Motion made by Comm. McManus, seconded by Comm. Paul to close to the public. All in favor, ayes have it.

Adjourn – Comm. Ruth

Motion made by Comm. McManus, seconded by Comm. Weindel to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm.

All those in favor? Ayes have it.

Comm. Ruth: Thank you all for coming out on such short notice.

RESOLUTION 2017 – 29

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No 1**

**Resolution to Authorize Emergency Meeting for the Temporary Appointment of a
Fire Official**

WHEREAS, there exist a need to hold an emergency meeting so that the Board of Fire Commissioners may appoint on a temporary basis a Fire Official .

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act permits the holding of an emergency meeting when an urgent and important matter arises and a delay of the meeting for the purpose of providing adequate notice would likely result in substantial harm to the public interest ;

WHEREAS, the current Fire Official has, only recently, become unavailable and there is an immediate need to have an emergency meeting where action may be taken by the Board to appoint a new Fire Official;

WHEREAS, a caucus meeting has already been advertised for on Monday 12/04/2017 at 7:30 pm;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize an emergency meeting on 12/04/2017 at 7:30 pm so that a Fire Official may be appointed

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Fire Commissioners shall authorize an emergency meeting on 12/04/2017 at 7:30 to take action to appoint a new Fire Official by a vote of three-quarters of the membership present; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board shall provide notice of the meeting by posting a Notice at each Fire Station and by public advertisement after said meeting, along with a statement in the meeting minutes of urgency and importance of having the meeting and a discussion of the substantial harm sought to be avoided and a discussion that the need for the meeting could not have been foreseen ; and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board may take action on any other matters that were already part of the advertised caucus meeting.

Dated: 12/04/17



Clifford Ruth, Chairman



Attest: Kathleen Crockett, District Clerk

RESOLUTION 2017 – 30

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No 1**

Resolution to Appoint Timothy Shannon as Temporary Fire Official

WHEREAS, matters have come before the Board of Fire Commissioners requiring the immediate appointment of a Temporary Fire Official to perform services on behalf of the Board;

WHEREAS, the appointment is necessary for the health and safety of Borough residents;

WHEREAS, Funds are available for the services to be provided pursuant to this appointment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Fire Commissioners shall appoint Timothy Shannon as a temporary Fire Official to perform services as required by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published as required by law and a copy shall be provided to the Division of Fire Safety.

Dated: 12/04/17



Clifford Ruth, Chairman



Attest: Kathleen Crockett, District Clerk

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Department of Community Affairs
Division of Fire Safety



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FIRE OFFICIAL

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Issue Date Lapse Date

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Charles A. Richman
Commissioner

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DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY
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Fire District No. 1

To Appoint Temporary Fire
Official

WHEREAS, matters have come before the Board of Fire Commissioners requiring the immediate appointment of a Temporary Fire Official to perform services on behalf of the Board; WHEREAS, the appointment is necessary for the health and safety of Borough residents; WHEREAS, Funds are available for the services to be provided pursuant to this appointment; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Fire Commissioners shall appoint Timothy Shannon as a temporary Fire Official to perform services as required by the Board. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published as required by law and a copy shall be provided to the Division of Fire Safety.

Dated: 12/04/17
Clifford S. Ruth, Chairman
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