

MOUNT LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

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AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING / REGULAR MEETING

Monday, January 19, 2015 @ 8:00 PM
Headquarters Station Meeting Room

REMINDER:

THE BOARD REQUESTS THAT ALL CELL PHONES EITHER BE SET TO VIBRATE OR BE TURNED OFF TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY INTERRUPTION OF TONIGHT'S MEETING. THE BOARD THANKS YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN ADVANCE.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence
3. Roll Call - Commissioners Cornue, Hamilton, Ridenour, Roura and Shestack
4. Public Announcements - Clerk
5. Motion to Open the Public Hearing on 2015 Budget
- 5a. Adoption of Resolution;
Resolution #2015-01 "Authorization for the Board of Fire Commissioners to read Budget by Title"
- 5b. Discussion and Comments by Board
- 5c. Comments and Questions from the Public Regarding Approved 2015 Budget
- 5d. Final Discussion and Comments by Board
- 5e. Motion to Close Public Hearing on 2015 Budget

RESUMPTION OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

6. Adoption of Resolutions;

7. Adoption of Resolutions (continued);
 - Resolution #2015-02 "2015 Adopted Budget Resolution Mount Laurel Fire District #1, Fiscal Year: From January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015"
 - Resolution #2015-03 "Authorized Signatories for Bank Accounts"
 - Resolution #2015-04 "Resolution to Approve the 2014 LOSAP Program Final Certified List of Eligible Volunteer Members"
8. Approval of Meeting Minutes;
 - Regular Meeting of September 15, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
 - Special Meeting of October 6, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
 - Regular Meeting of October 20, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
 - Special Meeting of November 5, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
 - Regular Meeting of November 17, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
 - Public Hearing/Special Meeting of December 1, 2014 (not prepared yet)
 - Regular Meeting of December 15, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
 - Special Meeting of December 23, 2014 (prepared but not reviewed yet)
9. Financial Matters;
 - a. Approval of Monthly Bills (December 2014 Year End & January 2015)
 - b. Questions / Comments by Treasurer
10. Monthly Report by Administrator
11. Monthly Report by Chief of Department
12. Standing Committee Reports
13. Other Matters (*if necessary*)
14. Comments of Fire District Professionals
15. Comments of Fire Commissioners
16. Public Participation
17. Resolution #2014-05 "Closing of Meeting Pursuant to Open Public Meetings Act"
18. Closed Session:
 - a. Legal Matters;
 1. Any other legal matter that may come before the Board
 - b. Personnel Matters;
 1. Employee Disciplinary Action / Injury Update - Chief Colucci
 2. Outstanding Grievance Status - Chief Colucci
 3. Outstanding PERC Matters - Commissioner Cornue
 4. Any other personnel matter that may come before the Board
19. Adjournment of Closed Session
20. Return to Open Session
21. Adjournment of Regular Meeting

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RESOLUTION 2015-01

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE

WHEREAS, notice of a Public Hearing regarding the adoption of the 2015 Budget was advertised in the Burlington County Times and Courier-Post; and,

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2014 a complete copy of the Approved 2014 Budget was posted on the bulletin board in the Mount Laurel Municipal Building where such notices are usually posted in the District, on the website of the Mount Laurel Fire Department @ www.mountlaurelfire.com and copies been made available to all persons requesting one since then and during the Public Hearing; and,

WHEREAS, Title 40A:14-78.2 allows that a budget may be read by its title.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #1, Township of Mount Laurel, Burlington County, New Jersey that the 2015 Budget shall be read by title and that the conditions set forth in Title 40A:14-78.2 have been met.

CERTIFICATION

I, Richard Hamilton, Clerk of the Mount Laurel Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District #1, Mount Laurel, New Jersey, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners at a regular meeting held on January 19, 2015.

Richard Hamilton, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 2015-02

2015 ADOPTED BUDGET RESOLUTION

MOUNT LAUREL FIRE DISTRICT #1

FISCAL YEAR: From January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget for the Mount Laurel Fire District #1 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 has been presented for adoption before the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Mount Laurel Fire District #1 at its open public meeting of January 19, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the adopted budget is in compliance with the Property Tax Levy Cap Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.44 et. seq.); and,

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Revenues of \$9,856,130.50, which includes an amount to be raised by taxation of \$8,273,975.55 and Total Appropriations of \$9,856,130.50; and

WHEREAS, an election shall be held annually on the third Saturday of February in each established fire district to determine the amount of money to be raised by taxation for the ensuing year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Mount Laurel Fire District #1, at an open public meeting held on January 19, 2015 that the Annual Budget of the Mount Laurel Fire District #1 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 is hereby adopted and shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated and authorization of Total Revenues of \$9,856,130.50 which includes an amount to be raised by taxation of \$8,273,975.55 and Total Appropriations of \$9,856,130.50; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an annual election shall be held on the third Saturday of February to determine the amount of money to be raised by taxation for the ensuing year. The results of which shall be subsequently certified to the Division and the Municipal Assessor.

(Clerk's Signature) 01/19/2015
(Date)

Board of Commissioners Recorded Vote

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Robert Shestack				
Phil Roura				
Richard Hamilton				
David Ridenour				
John Cornue				

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RESOLUTION 2015-03

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR BANK ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, there exists a need to annually resolve the authorized signatories on all bank accounts held in the name of the Fire District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #1, Township of Mount Laurel, Burlington County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. Authorized signatories on bank accounts held at the Bank of America and TD Bank shall be the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson and the Treasurer, or in the absence of the Treasurer, the Clerk or the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer or the Administrator.

2. The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer, Clerk, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Clerk and Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute signature cards and any other documents adopted by Bank of America and TD Bank as a condition of opening or maintaining said account.

3. A copy of this resolution shall be furnished to Bank of America and TD Bank for their records.

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RESOLUTION 2015-04

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2014 LOSAP PROGRAM FINAL CERTIFIED LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER MEMBERS

WHEREAS, a list of volunteer members eligible to receive a LOSAP distribution for 2014 was developed and submitted to the Board of Fire Commissioners for their review on 12/15/14 and was posted the next day to initiate the required 30 day review period in accordance with the statute; and,

WHEREAS, no appeals were submitted to the Board by those volunteer members deemed initially to be ineligible for a 2014 LOSAP Program award; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #1, Township of Mount Laurel, Burlington County, New Jersey that the final list of volunteer members eligible for a 2014 LOSAP Program award in 2014 is attached and is also provided to each volunteer Fire Company Secretary in accordance with the statute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, along with a copy of this list, shall be posted in each station on 1/20/15 for a 30 day posting as required by the statute.

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**2014 LOSAP PROGRAM FINAL LIST OF
ELIGIBLE MEMBERS & THEIR ANNUAL AWARD**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
BATES, JUSTIN	\$ 805
BROOKS, GARY	\$ 1,230
EDWARDS, DANIEL	\$ 920
ESPINOZA, RAFAEL	\$ 1,230
MESSA, ADAM	\$ 690
RADTKE, DENNIS	\$ 1,035
STEINMETZ, KRISTOPHER	\$ 1,230
VANSCIVER, CHRISTOPHER	\$ 1,230
APGAR, BRIAN	\$ 1,035
BARLOW, JOHN	\$ 1,230
BIGOSS, PATRICK	\$ 1,230
BLAIR, MICHAEL	\$ 1,230
CAMPBELL, BENJAMIN	\$ 1,230
EINSTEIN, ANDREW	\$ 1,230
EINSTEIN, SYLVAN	\$ 1,230
FLYNN, EVAN	\$ 1,230
FREDERICK, MATTHEW	\$ 1,230
GARAFOLA, BRAD	\$ 1,230
GUELICH, PAUL	\$ 1,230
HAWES, DAVID	\$ 1,230
HUELSTER, ANDREW	\$ 1,230
JONES SR., JOSEPH	\$ 345
KAHN, MATTHEW	\$ 1,230
KROMPLEWSKI, MARK	\$ 1,230
MUNOZ, EDWIN	\$ 1,230
MUNOZ, STEVEN	\$ 1,230
NOVACK, DANIEL	\$ 345
RECINOS, EDWIN	\$ 805
SCHWOERI, MATTHEW	\$ 920
SEZACK, MARTIN	\$ 1,230

STENTON, JOHN	\$ 1,230
TOSO, PETER	\$ 1,230
VASOYA, DEVIN	\$ 345
WESTON, MATTHEW	\$ 1,230
ZMIRICH, ROBERT	\$ 1,230

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RESOLUTION 2015-05

CLOSING OF MEETING PURSUANT TO OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, the Board is allowed to engage in an Executive (Closed) Session during any particular meeting when it becomes necessary to discuss matters which the statute allows to be discussed in Executive (Closed) Session; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Board to discuss various matters regarding personnel, contracts and/or litigation or legal matters and, accordingly, these matters are eligible for discussion by the Board in an Executive (Closed) Session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District #1, Township of Mount Laurel, Burlington County, New Jersey as follows:

1. The regular meeting of January 19, 2015 is hereby closed to the public and will be reopened at such time as the discussions held in Executive (Closed) Session have been completed.
2. The minutes of the Executive (Closed) Session will be revealed to the public at such time as the matters discussed have been resolved.

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