

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Gloucester Township Fire District No. 5

Lambs Terrace Fire Company

Regular Meeting Minutes and Re-Organization Meeting

March 3, 2026

I. Call to Order:

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Engelbert delivered the Sunshine Notice and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Oath of Office: Solicitor Carlamere Swore in and gave the Oath of Office to Fire Commissioner Gerard Sprinitis

III. Roll Call: Chairman Barry Engelbert - Present
Commissioner James Davidson - Present
Commissioner Daryl Lloyd - Present
Commissioner Chris Rinaldi - Present
Commissioner Gerard Sprinitis - Present
Solicitor Dave Carlamere – Present

At 7:02 p.m. Commissioner Sprinitis asked for a motion to go into a closed executive session meeting. Commissioner Lloyd seconded the motion. At 7:35 p.m. Commissioner Sprinitis left the meeting. At 7:51 p.m. the regular session meeting resumed.

IV. Selection of Officers: The following motions were made for the selection of the officers at this re-organization meeting:

Office of Chairman - Chairman Engelbert, motion made by Commissioner Rinaldi, seconded by Commissioner Davidson

Office of Vice Chairman - Commissioner Rinaldi, motion made by Commissioner Lloyd, seconded by Commissioner Davidson

Office of Treasurer - Commissioner Rinaldi, motion made by Commissioner Lloyd, seconded by Commissioner Davidson

Office of Secretary - Commissioner Rinaldi, motion made by Commissioner Lloyd, seconded by Commissioner Davidson

Office of Co-Secretary - Commissioner Lloyd, motion made by Commissioner Rinaldi, seconded by Commissioner Davidson

Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried; Commissioner Sprinitis was absent due to the fact that he left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

V. Introduction of Resolutions: Chairman Engelbert read Resolutions 2026-04

through 2026-12

- 2026-04 Procedures for the Adoption of the Fire District Budget
- 2026-05 Designation of Meeting Dates
- 2026-06 Appointment of Fire District's Auditor
- 2026-07 Appointment of Fire District's Clerks
- 2026-08 Appointment of Fire District's Bank and Newspaper
- 2026-09 Appointment of Fire District's Solicitor/Attorney
- 2026-10 Appointment of Fire Official
- 2026-11 Appointment of Fire District's Accountant/CPA
- 2026-12 Appointment of Insurance Consultant

A motion to approve these resolutions was made by Commissioner Rinaldi and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd to accept and approve all appointments, agreements and assignments of Resolutions 2026-04 through Resolutions 2026-12. Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried, Commissioner Sprinitis was absent due to the fact that he left the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m.

- Chairman Engelbert read Resolutions 2026-13 and 2026-14
- 2026-13 Shared Service Agreement with Township of Gloucester for Fire Apparatus Maintenance and Repair Services
 - 2026-14 Commissioner Assignments

A motion was made by Commissioner Lloyd, seconded by Commissioner Davidson to accept and approve Resolutions 2026-13 and Resolutions 2026-14 Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried; Commissioner Sprinitis was absent due to the fact that he left the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m.

VI. Treasurer's Report – Commissioner Rinaldi read the Treasurer's report and the submission of bills for the month of **March 2026** in the amount of **\$173,379.55**. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Rinaldi, seconded by Commissioner Lloyd. Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried; Commissioner Sprinitis was absent due to the fact that he left the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m.

VII. Minutes - A motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for the month of **February 2026** was made by Commissioner Davidson, seconded by Commissioner Rinaldi. Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried; Commissioner Sprinitis was absent due to the fact that he left the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m.

VIII. Clerk's Report – Clerk Cindy Jeminey read the election results from the Fire District's election that was held on February 21, 2026

IX. Career Report – Fire Fighter Nicholas Angelozzi asked for an increase to be considered for the fill ins hourly rate to at least \$1.00 more an hour since we do

not have guys showing up for work at the current rate of pay. At the hourly rate that we currently pay, we can't seem to get any reliable fill-ins to work at the rate of \$16.00 per hour. Fire Fighter Joseph Kelly also stated that the career positions are not being filled when the career staff is off. Chairman Engelbert stated that if you raise the hourly rate to \$17.00 per hour, then we will go over the current budgeted amount of \$200,000.00 for subs and alternates. It was also requested by Chief Spross for everyone to agree to give the fill ins at least \$1.00 more per hour and to also hire a permanent full time Fire Fighter from the current Civil Service list. Chairman Engelbert stated that if we do hire a full time person, then we will not be getting that person right away. Fire Marshall Steven Schwegel stated that we are not getting people to come in and work on holidays. Fire Fighter Edward Fowler stated that the Quint came back from Public Works and there are parts on order for some of the other work that needs to be done and that he will be meeting with Public Works around 12 or 1:00 p.m. to go over the parts that are needed. The Chief's Tahoe went in for an oil change and when it came back it was noticed that the windshield is cracked and are awaiting a price for the repair on the windshield.

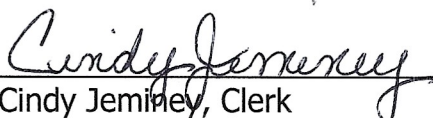
X. Fire Marshal's Report – Fire Marshall Schwegel stated that referrals were sent to the Construction Official. Aqua Water will reactivate adding a knox box to the fence for the new development.

XI. Chief's Report – There were 84 monthly response total calls for February 2026. A Shift had 36 calls, B Shift had 21 calls, C Shift had 16 calls and D Shift had 11 calls. There were a total of 157 calls for 2026 as of February. A Shift had 53 calls, B Shift had 44 calls, C Shift had 39 calls and D Shift had 21 calls. The Quint 85 went to Public Works and had some of the work from the repair list done. Quint 85's repair list has been started. We are awaiting parts from Public Works to complete most of the work. We will need Fire and Safety to come down for a computer update. There were no new members this month. We submitted 2 claims from 2 MVA's to Cost Recovery and looking at possibly \$2,400 in return for these claims. Took the delivery of (2) new Seek Thermal TICs. One of these did need to be returned because it came with a bad screen and Dival Safety is replacing it. Squad 85's license plate went missing during the winter storm and a police report for the missing tag was filed. The Gloucester Township Police Department did find the tag on Little Gloucester Road and returned it to us. The radio grant with the rest of the district is in progress. We did hear this evening from Chief Woods and he got word from his grant writer that it will cost each district \$4,000 for his services. Chief Woods did inform us that his grant writer has a near perfect success rate when they have applied in the past. OHD did calibrate and repair the fit testing machine and will be returned on Thursday. Fit Testing will begin as soon as we go over it. Clean Air Company is coming out Friday morning between 8-8:30 am to service and repair the Plymovent system. Chief Spross stated that he is requesting a district phone for himself and the Duty Officer.

- XII. President's Report** – None at this time
- XIII. Commissioner's Report** – Commissioner Rinaldi made a motion to change the Fire Fighter fill in's hourly rate from \$16.00 per hour to \$17.00 per hour. This was seconded by Commissioner Davidson. Roll Call: 4-0 Motion carried; Commissioner Sprinits was absent due to the fact that he left the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Chairman Engelbert stated that he was contacted by the Mayor about the geese at Cobblestone Lake and to reach out to the community for this issue. Chief Spross stated that the Office of Emergency Management are dealing with the geese problem and that he can put a rescue stand by if needed on the lake.
- XIV. Public Portion** – Clerk Colleen McWilliams, who is a resident of Gloucester Township, thanked all of the fire fighters for all of their hard work in the township
- XV. Adjournment** – Chairman Engelbert asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Rinaldi, seconded by Commissioner Davidson. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. for the Workshop, and then the 7:00 p.m. Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,


Cindy Jeminey, Clerk