

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District No. 1 was held on Saturday, September 12, 2026 at 9:01 A.M.

Commissioner John C. Kenny called the meeting to order.

Commissioner John C. Kenny – All the requirements of the “Open Public Meeting Act” have been complied with by advertising in the Home News Tribune and Star Ledger. Copies of the meeting notice have been sent to the Municipal Clerk’s Office and posted on the bulletin boards of the fire house and the post offices of Woodbridge and Sewaren.

Commissioner John C. Kenny led a pledge to the flag.

A moment of silence for our departed members and please keep in mind all those that sacrificed their lives on 9-11.

PRESENT: Commissioner John C. Kenny, Commissioner Jeffrey Moran,
Commissioner Jay Barcellona

EXCUSED: Commissioner Robert Minkler, Sr., Commissioner Patrick
Kenny

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Robert Minkler, Jr

Commissioner J.C.K.: I need a motion to suspend the minutes of the September 2, 2026 Regular Meeting until the next Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Jay Barcellona made a motion to suspend the minutes of the September 2, 2026 Regular Meeting until the next Regular Meeting which was seconded by Commissioner Jeffrey Moran and carried unanimously.

Commissioner J.C.K: Alright, we have here Resolution 2026-9-2 which is the Second Reading which is going to increase the career department from 50 to 65.

Commissioner Jeffrey Moran made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-9-2 which is the Second Reading which is going to increase the career department from 50 to 65 which was seconded by Commissioner Jay Barcellona and carried unanimously.

Commissioner J.C.K.: Any questions? Any questions from the public? Next Resolution is 2026-9-3 which is where Woodbridge Fire District No. 1 will be absorbing two of their career firefighters into District No. 1 when they dissolve and that would be for Devin and Dylan Schelmety.

Commissioner Jeffrey Moran made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-9-3 which is where Woodbridge Fire District No. 1 will be absorbing two of their career firefighters into District No. 1 which was seconded by Commissioner Jay Barcellona and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jeffrey Moran made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting at 9:04 A.M. which was seconded by Commissioner Jay Barcellona and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria Bucsanszky
District Clerk

RESOLUTION 2nd Reading

WHEREAS the Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 of the Township of Woodbridge are at all times desirous of maintaining a high level of fire suppression and fire prevention within Fire District No. 1 of the Township;

WHEREAS in order to protect the lives and property of the residents of Fire District No. 1 of the Township of Woodbridge, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 hereby authorizes the creation of fifteen (15) additional paid firefighter and/or fire inspector positions within Fire District No. 1. The salary shall be in accord with the existing labor contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 of the Township of Woodbridge that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-7; 40A:14-81 and 40A:14-81.1 the Board has approved the creation of fifteen (15) additional paid firefighter and/or fire inspector positions increasing the workforce from 50 to 65 to be implemented on an as needed basis.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT #1

ADOPTED: *September 12, 2026*

JOHN C. KENNY

I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of the Resolution introduced by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Township of Woodbridge at the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, which was held on September 2, 2026. This Resolution was considered for final passage on *Saturday, September 12, 2026*

MARIA BUCSANSZKY - Clerk

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 of the Township of Woodbridge are at all times desirous of maintaining a high level of fire suppression and fire prevention within Fire District No. 1 of the Township;

WHEREAS the Woodbridge Township Council voted 8-1 on August 12, 2026, adopt an ordinance officially dissolving Keasbey Fire District No. 4, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-20 and merging its operations and coverage into the neighboring Fords Fire District No. 7, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-90.

WHEREAS the effective date is set for October 1, 2026, at 12:01 a.m., at which point the terms of the Keasbey Fire District Board of commissioners officially terminate.

WHEREAS Fords Fire District No. 7 shall thereafter assume all fire suppression and emergence response services for the Keasbey section.

WHEREAS of the eight (8) career firefighters previously in Keasbey, two (2) career firefighters shall be reassigned to Woodbridge Fire District No. 1.

WHEREAS in order to protect the lives and property of the residents of Fire District No. 1 of the Township of Woodbridge, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 hereby authorizes the reassignment/appointment of two (2) career firefighters from Keasbey to Woodbridge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1 of the Township of Woodbridge that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-7; 40A:14-81 and 40A:14-81.1 the Board has approved the reassignment/appointment of the following two (2) career firefighters from Keasbey to Woodbridge: Devin Schelmety and Dylan Schelmety. The salary for said firefighters shall be in accord with the existing labor contract subject to negotiation. The official start date for said firefighters shall be October 1, 2026.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT No. 1

ADOPTED: September~~2~~, 2026

John Kenny – President

I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of the Resolution passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, which was held on September/2, 2026.

Maria Bucsanszky – Clerk