

EVESHAM TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO.1  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
Special Meeting  
June 20, 2023  
MINUTES

President Benjamin Guerrini called the special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Evesham Township Fire District No. 1 to order at 7:00 PM. President Guerrini opened the meeting with a flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance. The following statement of compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was given by Business Manager Maureen Mitchell: “This meeting is being held in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was transmitted to the Burlington County Times and Central Record on June 15, 2023, filed with the Township Clerk of the Township of Evesham, posted on the bulletin board in the Fire Administration Office that is customarily used for the posting of such notices and mailed to all persons requesting that they receive such.”

ROLL CALL - The following individuals were present at the roll call, Commissioners: Baugh, Behnke (via Teams), Guerrini, Rowe and Smith. Also present were: Chief Carl Bittenbender, Deputy Chief Scott Freedman, and Business Manager Maureen Mitchell.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

President Guerrini opened the Public Comment section for the agenda items only.

There were no comments from any members of the public, so President Guerrini closed the public portion on agenda items only.

President Guerrini mentioned that Commissioner Rowe raised a potential conflict with President Guerrini being an IAFF union member and participating in IAFF union negotiations for the District. President Guerrini asked Solicitor Saginario to provide a legal opinion on any potential conflict, which Solicitor Saginario indicated he would review and provide a response in Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Resolution No. 2023 – 42 Executive Session – Personnel and Contract Negotiations

President Guerrini indicated that the Board anticipates going into executive session for approximately 90 minutes. The board will not take action when we reconvene in public session.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2023 – 42. Commissioner Baugh seconded the motion. A roll call vote on the foregoing motion produced the following result: AYES: Baugh, Behnke, Guerrini, Rowe and Smith; NAYS: None; ABSTAINED: None; ABSENT: None.

President Guerrini adjourned the public portion of the meeting at 7:08 PM.

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RETURN TO PUBLIC – President Guerrini reconvened the public portion of the meeting at 10:40 PM.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Baugh made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

President Guerrini adjourned the meeting at 10:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Mitchell  
Business Manager