

January 29, 2026 Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners

District #3 in the Township of Hanover

County of Morris, Cedar Knolls, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on January 29, 2026 in accordance with the Public Meeting Act of 1975, Chapter 231. The Board observed a moment of silence for all those who have given their lives in service of their communities and nation.

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Robert Gallagher, Mary Lou DeSimone, Michael Dugan Sr., Thomas Harrington, and Gary Keyser were present.

Administrator Hark Jr. & Chief McGuinness were also in attendance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Gallagher read Resolution 26-01-29-20 to enter into executive session. Commissioner Harrington made a motion to introduce the resolution, seconded by Commissioner DeSimone. All were in favor.

The Board went into closed session at 7:02 p.m.

Personnel matters were discussed, and action will be taken.

The Board came out of closed session at 7:14 p.m.

Commissioner Harrington made a motion to adopt the list of FF/EMT candidates that will remain in effect for 1 year, seconded by Commissioner Gallagher. All were in favor.

Commissioner Dugan made a motion to move forward with the Full Time Administrator hiring process. Seconded by Commissioner DeSimone. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS: Motion made by Commissioner Gallagher for adopting Resolutions 26-01-29-21 (A Resolution Appointing Volunteer Member Eshan Patel), 26-01-29-22 (A Resolution Appointing Volunteer Member Greg Manning), 26-01-29-23 (A Resolution Appointing Volunteer Member Olivia Organowski), 26-01-29-24 (A Resolution Appointing Probationary Firefighter/EMT Shane Kelly) as a consent Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Harrington. All were in favor.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Commissioner Harrington, seconded by Commissioner DeSimone, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Robert Gallagher, Secretary