

**The Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District # 1 Borough of Englishtown, State of New Jersey, convened on Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for the continuation of the 2023 Public Budget Hearing and 2023 Budget Adoption in the Formal Meeting Room of the Englishtown Fire Department, 3 South Main St. Englishtown, New Jersey.**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Peter Cooke at 8:00 P.M.

1. **Sunshine Statement by** District Attorney Joseph Youssouf

**Statement is hereby given that adequate notice of this meeting was given by:**

1. The mailing of said notice to the Asbury Park Press.
2. The prominent posting of said notice at the Englishtown Fire Department.

**Roll Call showed the following members in attendance:**

Present: Chairman Peter Cooke, Clerk Victoria Sarti, Treasurer Melisa Scarrone, Gerald Maresca and Thomas Kirkland.

**Legal:** Motion made to re-open the 2023 Public Budget Hearing made by G. Maresca and a second made by Tom Kirkland. Motion passed unanimously.

The Resolution for the 2023 District Budget was read by the District Attorney. A motion was made by P. Cooke and a second was made by V. Sarti to accept the resolution as read. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made to close the 2023 Public Budget Hearing. Motion made by P, Cooke and a second by T. Kirkland. Motion passed unanimously.

A Motion was made by P. Cooke and a second was made by V. Sarti to adopt the 2023 District Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

The Attorney has two nominating petitions for the two positions that will be on the ballot.

**Public Open Portion:**

- Pete Hall presented his Social Media services. The Board will consider it and decide at the February meeting.
- Chief Lou Sarti and President Ed Miller submitted an invoice of expired firefighter turnout gear that the Fire Department was requesting to be placed as surplus to donate it to the 9-11-Fund.

**Meeting Adjournment:** at 8:21 P.M. After a motion by G. Maresca and Seconded by P. Cooke and approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

**Certified** on the February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, regularly scheduled meeting \_\_\_\_\_

Victoria L. Sarti – Board Clerk

# 2023 ADOPTED BUDGET RESOLUTION

## Englishtown Borough FD No. 1

### FISCAL YEAR: January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget for the Englishtown Borough FD No. 1 (the 'Fire District') for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 has been presented for adoption before the Board of Commissioners of the Fire District at its open public meeting of January 19, 2023; 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 \$637,297.00 which includes amount to be raised by taxation of \$524,000.00, and Total Appropriations of \$637,297.00; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire District at an open public meeting held on January 19, 2023 that the Annual Budget of the Fire District for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 is hereby adopted and, shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated and authorization of Total Revenues of \$637,297.00, which includes amount to be raised by taxation of \$524,000.00, and Total Appropriations of \$637,297.00; 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 to be raised by taxation for the ensuing year. The results of which shall be subsequently certified to the Division and the Municipal Assessor.

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(Secretary's Signature)

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(Date)

#### Board of Commissioners Recorded Vote

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Peter Cooke				
Melissa Scarrone				
Victoria Sarti				
Gerald Maresca				
Thomas Kirkand				



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Englishtown Fire District 1  
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Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Dear Commissioners:

As per your request, I am submitting this letter outlining an additional service to integrate community relations postings on the Board's behalf, which would be in addition to maintaining the District's website as outlined per **New Jersey Statute, Title 40A:14-70.2 - Fire district to maintain Internet website, webpage; contents.**

As you already know, our service is completely hassle-free, and includes fast turnaround times for your postings, along with an account representative that posts your documents as you make them available.

In addition to our website service the Board already utilizes, the community relations service specifically:

- Create(s) additional sections on the Board's website for – Press releases, in addition to any other pages needed, including swapping pictures / video.
- Creates and/or configures social media accounts, specifically Facebook, Instagram & Twitter.
- Maintains and updates these services at the direction of the Board.

This service is offered to Englishtown Fire District #1 at an initial setup cost of \$250, and will continue monthly at the rate of \$175.00/per month, which is in addition to the current website maintenance rate.

I would like to thank the Board for the opportunity to maintain the Fire District's website and related services.

Sincerely,

Peter Hall  
President