

DELTRAN TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #1

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

CAUCUS MEETING

March 10, 2026

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Delran Township Fire District No. 1 was held on Tuesday evening March 10, 2026 at the Fire District Office.

Vice President Anthony Quaciari, commencing with the flag salute, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

The Vice President announced that this meeting is being conducted within the provisions of N.J.S.10-4.6 to N.J.S. 10:4-41 titled Open Public Meetings and that the time and place has been posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and was advertised in the Courier Post on February 13, 2026. It was also posted on the department website in the legal notices section along with the other legal notices we are required to post.

Other members of the Board and appointed persons present were Commissioners James Bauer, James Turcich, and Joseph Seybert. Commissioner Joseph Parento was absent. Also present were: Chief Joseph Cunningham Sr, Deputy Chief Kevin Peak, 231 Lt Ralph Bensel, 231 Vice President Forman Shemeley, 232 President Shane Garland, 232 BC/FM Joseph Cunningham, Jr., 232 Lt Hugh Pierce and Clerk Maggie Suter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Turcich, which was seconded by Commissioner Bauer to approve the meeting minutes from the February 24th, 2026 Regular meeting. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: Department of Labor and Workforce Development sent a letter about worker separations.

SECRETARY: We received a change order for the hood at the Chester Ave station and need to get a signature from either the President or Vice President. Once we get the proper signatures we will send it right back.

CHIEF: Report was read and is attached.

Fireflow called and would like to get us scheduled for the Hose, Pump and Ladder testing. The hose testing costs \$7,920, the Ladder and Pump testing cost \$4,610. With them being the only company around to do the testing the board agreed to get these scheduled. NVFC is having a 2 day conference in Arlington VA and costs about \$159. The board approved the chief to attend the class.

DEPUTY CHIEF: Report was read and is attached.

Would like to purchase two leak stop kits. New Pig has them for \$700 and these will be to both stations. The board approved to move forward.

STATION 231 BATTALION CHIEF: Not in attendance.

STATION 232 BATTALION CHIEF: Nothing to report.

OTHER LINE OFFICER'S REPORTS:

232 Captain Burak Dugme - Trying to get a quote on pagers from Midstate Mobile. The chief will send an email to follow up.

231 LT Ralph Bense - Nothing to report.

232 LT Hugh Pierce - Boots came in and were handed out to fire police members that were on the list to receive them.

STATION PRESIDENTS:

232 President Shane Garland - The new stove was installed, waiting on the hood. Overhead door was in everything should be working.

231 Vice President Forman Shemeley - 26 action items since October have been completed.

TRUSTEES: **232 Ian Fox** - Nothing to report.

FIRE POLICE: The next meeting is at Hampton Lakes 172
K Bense and R Bense were out at the Mt Holly parade.

FIRE OFFICIAL/ FIRE PREVENTION: Had a meeting with the building owners working on the apartment going up next to Home Depot.

OEM: Nothing to report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Engine 2321 attended the Mt Holly St Patrick's parade. We were asked to attend and support past member Shawn Bozarth.

OFFICE SPACE & EQUIPMENT: Nothing to report.

FIRE EQUIPMENT: Nothing to report.

MASTER PLANNING: Meeting is next month.

APPARATUS: Nothing to report.

UNIFORMS: J Cunningham Jr advised we need to place an order of the Delran F.D. Patches that go on the one arm of our uniform shirts. The board agreed for him to reorder.

SAFETY: Nothing to report.

WEBSITE: Commissioner Seybert received an email that we have to register the Legal Notices page on the website. Once he receives that paperwork it will be filled out and sent back.

GRANT: Nothing to report.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Bailey's landscaping was out doing clean up at the Chester Ave station.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The office staff had a question about reimbursements. What should the district be paying for and what should the stations pay? The board advised that station payments will be decided by the chief if the board will pay or the station will.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT: The bills for this evening are \$95,143.37
A motion was made by Commissioner Seybert and seconded by Commissioner Turcich to pay all bills present. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS: Chief received an update on the Ladder. The slide pins were ordered but they did not get what they thought was ordered. They received a piece of resin that will need to be cut down into pins. Once that is all figured out and corrected they advised they want members up there to physically inspect and operate the ladder before it leaves their property.

Commissioner Seybert advised that at the Bridgeboro St station meeting last night it was brought up about feminine hygiene waste baskets in the restrooms. This was discussed and approved by the board two years ago, the board agreed to have the office staff work on getting what is needed for the two stations.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Bauer would like to get updated alarm clocks in all of the bunk rooms at both stations. The ones he is looking at has wireless charging dock on it for phones. The board agreed and Gabby Lopez will submit an updated price for the clocks as well as charging cables for other devices. We will need to have a total of 12 clocks and cords.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No Comments.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS: There was no further business to discuss so a motion was made by Commissioner Seybert and seconded by Commissioner Turcich to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 PM. The Board was polled. All AYES. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Suter
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Delran Fire Department Deputy Chiefs Report

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Currently we are at 147 calls for service to date.

Some of the notable incidents since the last meeting:

February 27th – DFD responded to an open burn on the 200 block of Chestnut Street. Crews arrived to an open burn in a side yard. Crews extinguished and overhauled the area and notified the homeowner about the ordinances of the township.

March 3rd – S2324 responded to Cinnaminson for a reported structure fire. First arriving reported that the smoke seen was a dryer vent. Incident was narrowed down to the Cinnaminson units.

March 10th – S2324 and R2329 responded to two separate incidents for structure fires in Moorestown Township. Both incidents however were minor in nature and units were recalled prior to arriving on scene.

Last evening (March 9th) we went to a call for a vehicle leaking gasoline from under neath. With removing a few access panel bolts we saw that there was about a 3/4" protrusion in the plastic tank. We were able to stop the leak but will need to look into leak stop kits. I have a few kits in mind that I want to run by the officers so that we get our best option for our dollar and then hopefully by next meeting ill have a kit to submit for purchasing.

E2321 took part in the Mount Holly annual St. Patricks Day parade. This was done in support of the parade and also in support of past member of Delran Fire Department; 232 Hainesport FD Chief Shawn Bozarth; who was named as the Grand Marshall for the 2026 parade!

The grid changes that the chief's department had made with the County Coordinator have been approved and submitted and inputted into the CAD system at Central Communications. This was confirmed on Friday last week.

Annual fit testing will resume on March 30th at the Chester Ave station.

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Chief Reports March 2026:

1. The department has answered 146 Calls for service so far this year.
2. The helmets for the Fire Police are in along with the boots and the guardian lights.
3. The Ladder is getting a few more items repaired from the ladder testing.
4. Hose, ladder and pump testing will be getting scheduled in near future.
5. The HVAC project is nearing completion.
6. The four new full-time inspectors will start later this month.
7. I will be scheduling a date to have members fitted for turn-out gear.
8. Fit-Testing will be taking place on Monday March 30th at Chester Ave station.
9. I will be setting up a date for members to get measured for turn out gear within the next two weeks.
10. I included the ladder, Hose and pump testing quotes.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Joseph M. Cunningham Sr.'.

Joseph M Cunningham Sr.

Chief of the department

Delran Fire Department