

Kingston Fire District Annual Meeting
To be held on: May 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
At the Kingston Fire District, 35 Bills Road, Kingston, RI
Agenda
(Posted 04/24/2023)

1. Call to Order and Approve Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting of May 2, 2022
3. Chiefs' Report
 - a. General District and Department Information
 - b. Update on Projects
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Up-to-date review of Kingston Fire District's income and expenses
 - b. Review of compliance with the annual budget.
5. Tax Collector's Report
 - a. Status of Current and Previous Years' Tax Rolls
 - b. Delinquent Tax
6. President's Report
7. Old Business
8. Approval of Budget: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024
9. Nominating Committee's Report. The Nominating Committee nominates the individuals (*) below to the offices indicated and for the terms indicated. Names without (*) are continuing and are provided for information purposes only.

Board of Wardens
(Staggered Three-Year Terms)

Bill Flatley (2025)
Sandra Koerner (2024)
*Elizabeth McNab (2023)
*Doug Carr (2023)
*TBD (2025)

Officers
(One-Year Terms)

*Moderator	Valerie Maier-Sperdelozzi
*Treasurer	Thomas Vignali
*Tax Collector	Susan Axelrod
*Clerk	TBD

Tax Assessors
(Staggered Three-Year Terms)

Richard Vaccaro (2025)
Dorald Beasley (2024)
*Beatrijs Nightingale (2023)

Auditing Committee
(Staggered Three-Year Terms)

Valerie Maier-Sperdelozzi (2025)
Kristine Bovy (2024)
*Andrew Arsenian (2023)

For Information, Current Appointments by Wardens are as follows:

- Fire Chief Tom Reed

For Information, Current Appointments by the Chief are as follows:

- Deputy Chief Erik Brierley
-Maintenance Coordinator William Summerly

For Information, District Employees are as follows:

- District Manager Jenifer Madison

10. Nominations from Floor

11. Election

12. Other New Business

a. Approval of FY2023-24 Budget Resolutions

13. Adjournment

Special Notes: The public is welcome to any meeting of the District or its committees. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captioners) is needed, or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please contact the District office at (p) 401-783-6830 (or TTY via RI Relay at 711) at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting so arrangements can be made to provide such assistance at no cost to the person requesting it.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

MOTION:

I move that the budget be approved as presented, and that the Board of Wardens be directed to adjust the tax rate, based on the valuation of assessed property according to the South Kingstown Tax Assessor's Rolls as of December 31, 2022, so as to meet the amount of money specified in the budget to be raised by taxation, plus or minus five percent (5%), to account for authorized abatements and additions to the tax roll throughout the tax year.

MOTION *(see Fund Balance Policy handout):*

I move that the Kingston Fire District approve the proposed Fund Balance Policy.

MOTION: *(If Fund Balance Policy is not approved)*

I move that any surplus funds from fiscal year 2022-23 be transferred into the Capital Projects Fund in a manner consistent with existing policy.

RESOLUTION FOR EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24:

Be it resolved that we, the taxpayers of the Kingston Fire District, do hereby authorize the transfer of, up to a maximum of, \$25,000 from the Committed Capital Projects Fund Balance to the District's General Fund to cover unanticipated, unbudgeted expenditures related to an asset of the District which is critical to the operational integrity of the District. The Board of Wardens must authorize and approve the transfer by a unanimous vote of the Wardens taken at a meeting of the Board.

RESOLUTION TRANSFER OF SMOKE DETECTOR FUNDS:

Be it resolved that we, the taxpayers of the Kingston Fire District, do hereby authorize the transfer of \$500 from the Smoke Detector Fund to the General Fund Revenue. This transfer will offset the fire prevention costs.

RESOLUTION TRANSFER OF FIRE DETAIL FUNDS:

Be it resolved that we, the taxpayers of the Kingston Fire District, do hereby authorize the transfer of \$750 from the Fire Details Fund to the General Fund Revenue. This transfer will offset the administrative time associated with managing the firefighter details.