

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**

Resolution to Enter into Mutual Aid Agreement with Lima (Pennsylvania) Fire Company

2013-41

WHEREAS, mutual aid and assistance agreements between fire departments are permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:14-26; and

WHEREAS, the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners (the “District”) believes it to be in the best interest of the District to enter into a mutual aid and assistance agreement with surrounding municipalities and fire districts, and specifically the Lima Fire Company, organized and existing under the laws of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of protecting against loss, damage or destruction by fire, catastrophe, civil unrest, major emergency or other extraordinary devastation and to address those situations when additional aid and assistance is needed to protect the best interests of the persons and property in each individual jurisdiction, as part of its general powers and duties pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-81; and

WHEREAS, the District believes that the proposed mutual aid agreement setting forth the terms and conditions upon which mutual aid and assistance may be rendered and requested by the District and the Lima Fire Company, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, adequately protects the best interests of the persons and property of the District.

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Fire District No. 1 in the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester, at a duly-authorized and noticed public work session held on September 25, 2013, as follows:

1. The District agrees to enter into a mutual aid and assistance agreement with the Lima Fire Company, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement attached as Exhibit “A”.

2. The Commissioners hereby authorize Michael White, Chairman, or his designee, to enter into negotiations with Lima Fire Company and to execute a mutual aid and assistance agreement with the Lima Fire Company if it is consistent with the language, spirit and intent of the agreement attached as Exhibit "A."