

**MUNICIPAL EXCESS LIABILITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND
OPEN MINUTES
JULY 8, 2025**

VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING – 3:00PM

Chairman Tomasko called the meeting to order, the Assistant Secretary to read the statement of compliance open public meeting act and the pledge of allegiance was conducted.

ROLL CALL OF 2025 BOARD OF FUND COMMISSIONERS

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| Paul Tomasko | Borough of Alpine – Bergen JIF | Present |
| John Clarke | Princeton Housing Authority- PHA JIF | Present |
| Greg Franz | Edgewater – South Bergen JIF | Present |
| Thomas Nolan | Borough of Brielle - Monmouth JIF | Present |
| Bernard Rutkowski | NJUA JIF – Toms River MUA | Absent |
| Veronica Laureigh | Township of Lacey – Ocean JIF | Present |
| Megan Champney Kwesela | City of Summit- Suburban Municipal JIF | Present |
| Meghan Jack | Riverside Twp- Burlco JIF | Present |
| Adam Brewer | Pequannock Township – Morris JIF | Present |
| James Ulrich | Twp. of Clark - NJMSI JIF | Present |
| Michael Razze | Pitman Borough - TRICO JIF | Present |
| Robert MacFarland | Bordentown Fire District #2 FRESP JIF | Absent |
| Joy Tozzi | East Windsor Twp - Mid-Jersey JIF | Present |
| Susan Danson | Maple Shade Twp- PMM JIF | Present |
| Joseph Criscuolo | East Brunswick – Central JIF | Present |
| Frank Elenio | Ridgefield - PAIC JIF Representative | Present |
| James Pacanowski | Atlantic JIF Representative | Present |
| Vincent Quatrone | Township of Little Falls – Sub Metro JIF | Present |
| <i>Camden JIF Fund Commissioner</i> | <i>To be appointed; vacancy as of June 2025</i> | |

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

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| Executive Director/Adm | PERMA Risk Management Services Joseph Hrubash, Cate Kiernan, Nancy A. Ghani |
| Attorney | Dorsey & Semrau Fred Semrau, Esq. |
| Producer | Arthur J. Gallagher Paul Forlenza, Kamini Patel |
| Actuary | The Actuarial Advantage Jamie Shooks |
| Ex Worker's Comp Claims Administrator | Qual-Lynx Kathy Kissane |
| Safety Director | JA Montgomery Risk Control Services Brian Maitland |
| Treasurer | Laracy Associates LLC Matt Laracy |
| Auditor | Nisivoccia LLP Bud Jones |

Excess Liability
Claims Administrator

CB Claims LLC
Christopher Botta

Lobbyist

Pathways
Paul Bent

Underwriting Manager

Conner Strong & Buckelew
Edward Cooney, Jonathon Tavares

Strategic Planning/
Communications Consultant

LaMendola Associates
Clark LaMendola

ALSO PRESENT:

Diane Ambrosio, Alternate Fund Commissioner Ocean JIF

Mathew T. McArow, GJEM Otterstedt Agency

Ezio Altamura GJEM Otterstedt Agency

Hallee Cramer, RSC Insurance Brokerage, Inc.

Frank Covelli, P.I.A.

Robin Racioppi, Acrisure

Alison Kelly, Danskin Insurance Agency

Chuck Casagrande, Danskin Insurance Agency

John Casagrande, Danskin Insurance Agency

Tom Merchel, Conner Strong & Buckelew

Jaclyn Linsey, Conner Strong & Buckelew

Charles Hartsoe, PEGAS

Kelly Machu, PEGAS

Barbara Murphy, RLM

Pauline Kontomanolis, Perma Risk Management Services

Brad Stokes, Perma Risk Management Services

Robyn Walcoff, Perma Risk Management Services

David Grubb, MEL Executive Director (Emeritus), Perma Risk Management Services,

Steve Sacco, Perma Risk Management Services

William Cook, Esq. Brown & Connery

Joe Nardi, Esq. Brown & Connery

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Fund Attorney requested Executive Session to discuss Stormwater and Flood Claim Litigation as it relates to Amons v. Borough of Haddonfield, Docket No: CAM-L-1918-20 and related cases.

All meeting attendees were asked to vacate the meeting except for Executive Directors of the local MEL-affiliated joint insurance funds (JIFs), the Fund Attorney and Mr. Cook, Esq. and Mr. Nardi, Esq.

**MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION
ON CONTRACT MATTERS:**

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| Moved: | Commissioner Tozzi |
| Second: | Commissioner Danson |
| Vote: | Unanimous |

Closed Session began at 3:02PM; at 4:16PM Closed Session concluded, and all individuals and members of the public were allowed back into the room.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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| Moved: | Commissioner Brewer |
| Second: | Commissioner Clarke |
| Vote: | Unanimous |

MEETING ADJOURNED: 4:17PM

NEXT MEETING: Monday September 8, 2025

DoubleTree by Hilton – 390 Forsgate Drive, Monroe Twp, NJ 08831

Nancy A. Ghani, Assisting Secretary

For

JOHN CLARKE, SECRETARY