

# AGENDA PACKET



# Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 3:00 PM

Café Madison 33 Lafayette Street Riverside, NJ

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## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND Café Madison 33 Lafayette Street Riverside, NJ Tuesday, April 16, 2019 – 3:00 PM

## **AGENDA**

- I. Meeting called to order by Chairman
- II. Salute the Flag
- III. Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meetings Act
  - A. Notice of this meeting was given by:
    - 1. Sending sufficient notice herewith to the *Burlington County Times*, Mount Holly, and *Courier Post*, Cherry Hill NJ;
    - 2. Filing advance written notice of this meeting with the Clerks/Administrators of all member municipalities; and
    - 3. Posting notice on the public bulletin boards of all member municipalities of the BURLCO JIF.

## IV. Roll Call

- A. Fund Commissioners
- B. Fund Professionals
- C. Risk Management Consultants
- D. Move up Alternates (*if necessary*)
- V. Allow that this monthly meeting be conducted directly by the Fund Commissioners present with all matters to be decided upon by a combined majority vote of all Fund Commissioners – Motion – All in Favor

## VI. Approval of Minutes

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C. Adoption of the November 20 and December 18, 2018 Close Session Minutes....Handouts

Motion to Adopt the above meeting minutes - Motion - All in Favor

The Closed Session Minutes shall not be released to the public until the reason(s) for their remaining confidential is no longer applicable and the Fund Solicitor has an opportunity to review them.

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2019 Executive Committee Meeting to November 26, 2019 – **Motion – All in Favor** 

## The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 3:30 PM at Hainesport Municipal Building, Hainesport, NJ

XVIII. Meeting Open to Public Comment

- A. Motion to Open Meeting to Public Comment Motion All in Favor
- B. Motion to Close Meeting to Public Comment Motion All in Favor
- XIX. Closed Session Resolution 2019- \_\_\_\_\_ Authorizing a Closed Session of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund to discuss matters affecting the protection of safety and property of the public and to discuss pending or anticipated litigation and/or contract negotiations – Motion -Roll Call
  - A. Professionals' Reports
    - 1. Claims Administrator's Report
      - a. Review of PARs over \$10,000
    - 2. Executive Director's Report
    - 3. Safety Director's Report
    - 4. Solicitor's Report
  - B. Reopen Public Portion of Meeting Motion All in Favor
- XX Approval of Claims Payments Motion Roll Call
- XXI Authorization to Abandon Subrogation (if necessary) Motion Roll Call
- XXII. Motion to Adjourn Meeting Motion All in Favor

## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING 1 HAINESPORT CENTRE, RTE 537 HAINESPORT, NEW JERSEY

#### March 19, 2019

#### **OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

The meeting of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (BURLCO JIF) was held at the Hainesport Township Municipal Building, 1 Hainesport Centre, Rte. 537, Hainesport, New Jersey, on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 3:30 PM, prevailing time. Chair Jack, **Riverside**, presiding. The meeting was called to order at 3:30PM.

## FLAG SALUTE

#### STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT

Notice of this meeting was given by: (1) sending sufficient notice herewith to the *Burlington County Times*, Mt. Holly, NJ, and to the *Courier Post*, Cherry Hill, NJ; (2) filing advance written notice of this meeting with the Clerks/Administrators of all member municipalities of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and (3) posting notice on the public bulletin boards of all member municipalities of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

#### ROLL CALL

Amanda Somes, Bass River Twp. Rich Wolbert, Beverly City Grace Archer, Bordentown City Jeffrey Elsasser, Alternate, Bordentown Twp. Glenn McMahon, Chesterfield Twp. John Browne, Alternate, Delanco Twp. Jeffrey Hatcher, Delran Twp. Richard Brook, Florence Twp. Paula Kosko, Hainesport Twp. Brandon Umba, Lumberton Twp. Mike Fitzpatrick, Mansfield Twp. Kathy Burger, Medford Twp. Jerry Mascia, Mt. Laurel Twp. Donna Mull, Pemberton Borough Dennis Gonzalez, Pemberton Township Meghan Jack, Riverside Twp. David Matchett, Shamong J. Paul Keller, Springfield Twp. Doug Cramer, Tabernacle Twp. Steve Ent, Westampton Twp. James Ingling, Wrightstown Borough

Absent Fund Commissioners were:

Patricia Hansell, **Fieldsboro Borough** Mary Picariello, **North Hanover Twp.** John Gural, **Palmyra Borough** Tom Pullion, **Edgewater Park Twp.** Kathy Hoffman, **Southampton Twp.** Maryalice Brown, **Woodland Twp** 

Those also in attendance were:

Paul Forlenza, Executive Director, AJG Risk Management Services, Inc.
Paul J. Miola, CPCU, ARM, AJG Risk Management Services, Inc.
David S. DeWeese, Esquire, Fund Solicitor, The DeWeese Law Firm, P.C.
Tom Tontarski, Treasurer
Rob Garish, Safety Director, J.A. Montgomery Risk Control
Chris Roselli, Claims Administrator, Qual-Lynx
Karen Beatty, QualCare
Debby Schiffer, Wellness Director
Lou Romero, Technology Risk Services Director, Secure Data Consulting Services
Ed Cooney, Fund Underwriter, Conner Strong

Also present were the following Risk Management Consultant agencies: CBIZ Benefits & Insurance Services Conner Strong & Buckelew Hardenberg Insurance Group EJA/Capacity Insurance Insurance Agency Mgmt

These minutes do not necessarily reflect the order in which some items were discussed.

## **CONDUCT OF MONTHLY MEETING**

Motion by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Cramer, to allow that this monthly meeting be conducted by the Fund Commissioners present with all matters to be decided upon by a combined majority vote of all the Fund Commissioners. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF THE OPEN & CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

Chair Jack presented the meeting minutes of the February 19, 2019 meeting of the Fund, as found in the agenda packet, for approval.

Chair Jack asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

Motion by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Cramer, to approve the Open & Closed session meeting minutes of the February 19, 2019 meeting of the Fund as presented. **Motion carried.** 

The Closed Session minutes of the February 19, 2019 meeting shall not be released to the public until the reason(s) for their remaining closed is no longer applicable and the Fund Solicitor has had the opportunity to review them.

Closed Session Meeting Minutes from the February 19, 2019 meeting were collected at this time.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Forlenza reviewed the Executive Director's Report found in the agenda packet with the membership. He highlighted the following items:

**2018** Safety Incentive Program Awards – Mr. Forlenza noted a report detailing the <u>base</u> award amounts for each member is included in the agenda. He explained that once the Optional Safety Incentive Program Awards are calculated an email will be sent to all members with their total award amounts and the attached report will be updated. He reminded the committee that the

deadline to claim or encumber these funds is November 30, 2019. All encumbered funds have to be claimed by February 1, 2020.

**2019 Optional Safety Budget -** Mr. Forlenza stated that a letter from his office describing how to collect your 2019 Optional Safety Budget allowance was e-mailed on or about February 15, 2019. A report detailing the available balances for each member is attached for your review. If you have any questions on how to collect your 2019 Optional Safety Budget allowance, please contact his office. Please note that the deadline to claim or encumber these funds is November 30, 2019. All encumbered funds have to be claimed by February 1, 2020.

**2019 Wellness Incentive Program Allowance** – Mr. Forlenza stated a letter from his office describing how to collect your 2019 Wellness Incentive allowance was e-mailed on or about February 15, 2019. A report detailing the available balances for each member is attached for your review. If you have any questions on how to collect your 2019 Optional Safety Budget allowance, please contact our office. Please note that the deadline to claim or encumber these funds is November 30, 2019. All encumbered funds have to be claimed by February 1, 2020.

*EPL/Cyber Allowance* - Mr. Forlenza noted that the JIF has budgeted \$500 for each member to help offset employment practice and/or cyber security related expenses and asked that all members review available balances for this program. He noted that the deadline to claim or encumber these funds is November 30, 2019 and if you encumbered these funds, they must be claimed by February 1, 2020.

**New MEL EPL Helpline** – Authorized Contact List – Mr. Forlenza noted that the EPL Helpline through Enquiron has been discontinued and will no longer be accessible to members. It has been replaced with the MEL Employment Practices Helpline to assist our members by providing legal advice on employment related issues. The goal is to provide the municipalities with early guidance on employment related issues to hopefully avoid and/or control potential expensive litigation in these matters. The enclosed flyer describes the program. The benefits of the program are:

- Provides enhanced local expertise to our members from individuals that they know and trust;
- Provides an opportunity for our attorneys who understand the MELJIF system to get involved in potentially volatile situations early;
- Provides our members' access to attorneys that know NJ law and also know our members and their needs.

The Members will have unlimited access to the Helpline attorneys, or which one is Mr. DeWeese, to seek advice on employment related issues. The Members can appoint two municipal representatives who will be permitted to contact the Helpline attorneys with their inquiries. The appointment of the two municipal representatives must be made by Resolution of the Governing Body. Please note that Municipal Solicitors cannot be appointed as Helpline Contacts. Enclosed please find the most recent list of authorized contacts for the MEL Employment Practices Helpline. These authorized contacts are the only representatives permitted to access this service. Please contact the Executive Director's Office or David S. DeWeese, Esquire with any questions regarding the Helpline.

*Statutory Bond Status*– Mr. Forlenza referenced a report in the agenda of the latest listing of Statutory Bonds issued by the MEL for JIF members is included for your review. This list should be reviewed for accuracy, and remember the coverage is for the individual, not the position. Any

questions on the status of an application or a listed bond should be directed to Cate Kiernan at PERMA.

*Elected Officials Training* – Mr. Forlenza noted the last of four trainings is scheduled for March 21, 2019 at O'Connor's American Bar & Grill in Easthampton. The MEL will reduce each member's 2019 MEL Assessment by \$250 for each municipal elected official who attends one of the training sessions by March 31, 2019. The total credit is limited to 5% of a member's 2019 MEL Assessment. The sign-in sheets from December 6, 2018, January 31, and February 6, 2019 seminars are posted on the JIF website. Please be sure to review the sign-in sheets for accuracy.

**Police One Training** – Mr. Forlenza noted the Police One online training is underway and in place to help reduce the skyrocketing costs associated with police related injuries and lawsuits. Mr. Garish will in greater detail during his report.

*Employee Cyber Hygiene Training – Media Pro –* Mr. Forlenza reminded the members that to help combat the rise in cybersecurity threats, the JIF has contracted with MediaPRO to deliver online technology risk training for Member Municipalities. On Friday, November 9, 2018 an email containing a spreadsheet was sent to all Fund Commissioners asking that they provide the first name, last name, title, and email address of each employee that they want to have access to the training module. To date, 66.4% of employees who have signed up for the training have completed it. Mr. Forlenza noted there is still one (1) town that has not provided this information. Once that information is received, the training will be assigned to these employees. Please contact Megan Matro in the Executive Director Office's if you have any questions.

**Technology Risk Management Services – Pivot Point** – Mr. Forlenza noted that on November 27, 2018, an email was sent to all members asking that they provide the Executive Director's office with the IP addresses of all of their public facing networks and the contact information for their IT professional. He explained that the IP addresses are needed by Pivot Point Security so they can begin the vulnerability testing of members' networks, To date there are still three (3) members who have not supplied this information: Chesterfield, Woodland, and Wrightstown. Once this information is received, members will begin to see the role out of different risk management services from Pivot Point. Please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Director's office if you have any questions.

**Payroll Audits** – Mr. Forlenza noted on or about February 7, 2019 a letter was e-mailed to all Municipal Clerks, with a copy to Fund Commissioners, advising that Bowman & Company will be performing workers' compensation exposure verification audits of members' 2018 payrolls. These payroll figures will serve as the basis for your 2020 workers compensation excess premiums. Attached to the e-mail was a spreadsheet that included employee counts by payroll classification as reported during last year's payroll audit. As employee counts have a tendency to be the most time consuming part of the payroll audit process, members were asked to review and update this spreadsheet upon receipt. Members are asked to send the required payroll data to the auditors for processing either via mail or electronically. Details on how the data can be sent were included in the February 7, 2019 correspondence. Once the information is processed, the auditor will contact each town to discuss the results of the audit and clarify any questions. Members who still have questions following the audit can contact a representative from Bowman to set up a mutually convenient date and time to meet and discuss the audit results.

**Property Appraisals** – Mr. Forlenza noted on or about February 7, 2019, each member and their RMC's received a notification from his office asking that they review and update their property schedule located in the Origami Exposure Data Management System. Once a member responds, those that are going to receive a physical appraisal this year will be contacted by the Fund Property Appraiser, ASSETWORKS. Those that are not receiving a physical inspection in 2019

will have their building & contents values trended accordingly. All members are asked to complete the review and update process no later than March 22, 2019.

Annual Planning Retreat – Mr. Forlenza reminded the Fund it will be holding its Annual Planning Retreat on April 16, 2019 at Café Madison, Riverside at 8:30 AM. Following the Retreat will be the Executive Committee Meeting at 3:30 PM. An invite was emailed to all Fund Commissioners, Alternates, RMC's, Safety and Claims Coordinators. If a representative from your town attends a full day of the Retreat, your town will earn an additional \$250 Safety Incentive award.

*New Fund Commissioner Orientation* – Mr. Forlenza stated that New Fund Commissioner Orientation training will be conducted prior to the Executive Committee Meeting on May 21, 2019 at 1:30 PM in Hainesport. An email notification with further details will be sent to all Fund Commissioners and RMC's in early April.

Mr. Forlenza asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

*Closed Cases* – Mr. DeWeese reported that there was one (1) closed case(s) for the month of February, 2019. He then briefly reviewed the claim with the membership.

## Shadle v. Township of Riverside

## SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Garish stated that Mr. Saville has had a medical procedure and is home recovering, but will be out for a few months and he will be presenting the Safety Director's Report in his absence. Mr. Garish then stated that the Safety Director's Report is self-explanatory and is included in the agenda. He highlighted the following items:

In regards to Police One Training, Mr. Garish reported that out of 27 members, 19 member towns actually have Police departments, and to date, seven (7) of those members have currently enrolled in the training program or submitted their rosters; however, of those seven (7), only five (5) member towns have actually participated in the training. This equates to 240 classes taken, and 51 classes in regards to the Cyber element of the training have been completed. Mr. Garish reported his office, along with Police One Academy, will be reaching out to those members to get them on board with the program. He also noted if you would like to see what activity your specific Police department has done in terms of the training, please see him after the meeting and he will let you know. Mr. Garish stated he would like to give kudos to those members who have already made use of these trainings.

*MEL Video Library* – He noted three members utilized the Library in February and asked that it please be utilized. If a copy of the video library titles is needed, you can find it at the MEL or JIF website. He also pointed out there is a new email address: melvideolibrary@jamontgomery.com, and phone number: 856-552-4900.

*Safety Director's Bulletins* – He noted bulletins and notices send out in February included:

- MEL Leadership Classes Spring 2019
- MSI Training Schedule

**MSI Class Listing** – Mr. Garish referenced the list of MSI Classes that are available in March, April, and May that are included in the agenda packet. He noted that a current list of MSI Training Administrators needs to be kept up to date, so if there are any changes in regards to the Training Administrator, please advise <u>afelip@jamontgomery.com</u>

Mr. Garish noted the membership will begin receiving their RTK Dropbox links over the next month and his office is approximately 50% done with the BURLCO JIF.

Mr. Garish noted there is a handout on an Excited Delirium training scheduled for April 12, 2019 at Merighi's in Vineland. The training is open to all members and if you know anyone from your town who would like to attend, please contact the Safety Directors office.

And lastly, Mr. Garish stated he was happy to report we had participation from all members except one member town for both the Safety Breakfast and the Safety/Claim Coordinator Roundtable for 2019.

Mr. Garish asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

## CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

## Lessons Learned from Losses – March

Mr. Roselli presented the *Lessons Learned from Losses* for March which reviewed the importance of Indemnity Agreements. He highlighted the following:

- Consult with your town's Solicitor
- Consult with your RMC
- Review current indemnification agreements and contracts to ensure they clearly indicate where responsibilities lie.
- If your town was named as an additional insured in a Certificate of Insurance, confirm that the insurer has your town named as an additional insured on a policy endorsement. Do not assume it is just because it is stated on the Certificate of Insurance.

Mr. Roselli then reviewed examples of claims that were settled in the JIF's favor due to the correct Indemnity Agreements in place.

Mr. Roselli asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

## WELLNESS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Schiffer noted that her report is detailed in the agenda packet. She stated that she is setting up appointments with those she has not yet met with to start planning for wellness activities throughout the year. She then highlighted the following:

- Chesterfield Met and planned for the year. First event will be a lunch and learn in April. Interesting topic for a future L&L is on Handling Diversities.
- Delanco planning a lunch and learn for April
- Hainesport continuing with their monthly Healthy Snack where employees sign up to bring in a healthy snack to share. Planning for an April Step Challenge. Details to follow.
- Mansfield Met to start planning some events. Targeting a lunch and learn on smoothies. Details to follow as they are confirmed.
- Healthy Lifestyle Challenge participants: Beverly City, Bordentown Township, Chesterfield (pending), Lumberton, Medford, and Westampton. If you are interested in offering this challenge, please let me know. It can be started at any time throughout the year.
- Police and EMT Departments embrace wellness:
  - Bordentown Township Police Fitness Testing, Captain Buscio Program Incentive, Wellness Board of Events/Recipes/Newsletter/Workout of the month, filtered water system

- Edgewater Park Police Holding Fitness Testing
- Florence Township Holding Fitness testing, provide healthy snacks, Squad Challenge to increase participation in the standard PT test categories by adding points for Squad participation and weight loss, and are hosting a Sleep deprivation speaker during Staff Mtg. in April
- Mt. Laurel EMT Has two (2) presentations set up on Sleep deprivation and continue with monthly yoga classes and fatigue risk management program.
- March Wellness Connection Newsletter Ms. Schiffer noted her newsletter includes such things as: Facts on Colon Cancer; 3 Steps To Mindful Eating; Benefits of Stretching; and Reasons to try Turmeric.
- Ms. Schiffer also noted in lieu of the monthly calendar she has included a chart on a variety of stretches that can be done to protect against injuries and help with sore muscles.
- Wellness Incentive Allowances must be claimed/encumbered by November 30, 2019, and collected by February 1, 2020, so if you haven't planned any wellness activities for the end of this year, be sure to contact her for a meeting.

Ms. Schiffer asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

## MANAGED HEALTH CARE REPORT

Ms. Beatty reviewed the Managed Care Report for February, 2019.

## Lost Time v. Medical Only Cases

Ms. Beatty presented the BURLCO JIF Lost Time v. Medical Only Cases (Intake Report):

	February	YTD
Lost Time	0	5
Medical Only	9	19
Report Only	4	12
Total Intakes	13	36
Report Only % of Total	30.8%	33.3%
Medical Only/Lost Time Ratio	100	79:21
Average Days to Report	1.2	1.5

## Transitional Duty Report

Ms. Beatty presented the Transitional Duty Report:

Transitional Duty Summary Report	February YTD
Transitional Duty Days Available	297
Transitional Duty Days Worked	145
% of Transitional Duty Days Worked	48.8%
Transitional Duty Days Not Accommodated	152
% of Transitional Duty Days Not Accommodated	51.2%

## **PPO Penetration Report:**

Ms. Beatty presented the PPO Penetration Report:

PPO Penetration Rate	February
Bill Count	227
Original Provider Charges	\$325,557
Re-priced Bill Amount	\$116,084
Savings	\$209,473
% of Savings	64.3%
Participating Provider Penetration Rate - Bill Count	96.0%
Participating Provider Penetration Rate – Provider Charges	96.8%
EPO Provider Penetration Rate - Bill Count	96.4%
EPO Provider Penetration Rate – Provider Charges	99.6%

Ms. Beatty asked if there were any questions. No questions were entertained.

## TECHNOLOGY RISK SERVICES REPORT

Mr. Romero introduced himself stating that some may remember working with him in the past with PivotPoint; however, he now has a new role now as the Fund's Technology Risk Resource Director.

He stated he will be a resource for the member towns and his first goal is to work with each member town and their IT department to get them compliant with the MEL's Cyber Risk Management Program. He will be reaching out to each town within the next week or so to schedule time to assess the current status of your compliance with the program. He will then create a program with steps to assist in getting your town, and every member, compliant with the program.

Mr. Forlenza noted that Mr. Romero's contact information has been listed on the JIF website as well, should anyone need to get a hold of him. Mr. Forlenza reminded the members that compliance with the Program makes them eligible for reimbursement of up to 75% of their \$10,000 deductible.

Mr. Romero asked if there were any questions. No questions were entertained.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Tontarski presented an overview of the Treasurer's Report for month ending **February 28**, **2019**, a copy of which was provided to the membership in the agenda packet.

## Investment Interest

Interest received or accrued for the reporting period totaled \$26,433.70. This generated an average annual yield of 1.65%. However, after including an unrealized net gain of \$14,030.24 in the asset portfolio, the yield is adjusted to 2.52% for this period. The total overview of the asset portfolio for the Fund shows an overall unrealized loss of \$100,065.47 as it relates to current market value of \$16,924,842.68 vs. the amount invested. This current market value; however, when considering the total accrued income at month end is \$16,974,320.80.

The Fund's asset portfolio with Wilmington/Trust consists of 3 obligations with maturities greater than one year and 7 obligations with maturities less than one year.

## **Receipt Activity for the Period**

	Monthly	YTD
Subrogation Receipts	\$2,164.58	\$10,203.04
Overpayment Reimbursements	\$787.06	
Salvage Receipts	\$0.00	
FY 2019 Premium Assessments	\$1,239,804.00	

## A.E.L.C.F. Participant Balances at Period End

Delran Township	\$66,214.00
Chesterfield Township	\$1,085.00
Bordentown City	\$52,997.00
Bordentown Township	\$27,917.00
Westampton	\$10,164.00

## Cash Activity for the Period

During the reporting period, the Fund's "Cash Position" changed from an opening balance of \$19,262,436.49 to a closing balance of \$19,205,118.81 showing a decrease in the fund of \$57,317.68.

## Loss Run Payment Register – February 2019

Mr. Tontarski stated that his report included in the agenda packet shows net claim activity during the reporting period for claims paid by the Fund and claims payable by the Fund at period end in the amount of \$285,008.35. The claim detail shows 430 claim payments issued.

## Bill List – March 2019

For the Executive Committee's consideration, Mr. Tontarski presented the March 2019 Bill List in the amount of \$88,864.58.

Mr. Tontarski noted there was a revised Bill List handed out, which did not change the overall amount for the month of March, but was simply an update to an allocation.

Chair Jack entertained a motion to approve the January 2019 Loss Run Payment Register and the revised March 2019 Bill List in the amount of \$88,864.58 as presented.

Chair Jack asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

Motion by Mr. Wolbert, seconded by Mr. Ingling, to approve the *February 2019 Loss Run Payment Register and the revised March Bill List in the amount of \$88,864.58 as presented.* 

ROLL CALL Yeas Amanda Somes, Bass River Twp. Rich Wolbert, Beverly City

> Grace Archer, Bordentown City Jeffrey Elsasser, Alternate, Bordentown Twp. Glenn McMahon, Chesterfield Twp. John Browne, Alternate, Delanco Twp. Jeffrey Hatcher, Delran Twp. Richard Brook, Florence Twp. Paula Kosko, Hainesport Twp. Brandon Umba, Lumberton Twp. Mike Fitzpatrick, Mansfield Twp. Kathy Burger, Medford Twp. Jerry Mascia, Mt. Laurel Twp. Donna Mull, Pemberton Borough Dennis Gonzalez, Pemberton Township Meghan Jack, Riverside Twp. David Matchett, Shamong J. Paul Keller, Springfield Twp. Doug Cramer, Tabernacle Twp. Steve Ent, Westampton Twp. James Ingling, Wrightstown Borough None Navs: Abstain: None

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Strategic Planning Committee Meeting – March 12, 2019

Ms. Burger stated that the minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting will be included in next month's agenda packet, and there weren't any other highlights as Mr. Forlenza covered most of it in his Executive Directors Report.

#### Safety Committee Meeting – March 19, 2019

Mr. Cramer stated that the minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting will be included in next month's agenda packet. He then stated that the Committee reviewed the Safety Director's Annual Loss Control Report, the JIF and MEL Loss Ratio Reports, the Regional Training schedule which included a training entitled "Back to Basics" which is a regulatory compliance course for Public Works, and once the Legislature decides what it is doing with Recreational Marijuana, we will set up a Regional Training to deal with situations that will arise from the enactment of this new law.

Mr. Cramer asked if there were any questions. No questions were entertained.

## MEL/RCF/EJIF REPORT

Mr. Cooney, Fund Underwriter, was present to provide Program Updates to the Membership.

Mr. Cooney first discussed Reinsurance Renewals. He noted that the insurance market is getting very volatile and much more costly; however, he noted the MEL Program is running very well, and the Property rates remained flat this year. He noted that he anticipates over the next few years small inflationary increases vs. 10%-30% in some areas of the Country.

Mr. Cooney continued with the Liability program noting a very large change. He stated that for the last 30 years the MEL had a relationship with Genesis Insurance Company for different lines of coverage; however, this year saw the retirement of a long term Underwriter on the MEL account, along with a change of philosophy. This led Genesis to seek some large rate increases for this year, for really no reason. It was then decided to alternative markets from very specific insurance companies, who would return great options for our members, as well as a good, strong long term partner. Brit Insurance is that company and came in with an incredible renewal option, with a very competitive rate, and the option for the MELto be able to take a quota share. He explained the MEL has a \$2 million retention, including the \$300,000 retention that the JIF has for each and every claim. The reinsurance then steps in when the claim costs exceed \$2 million. So for that layer that Brit Insurance takes over \$2 million, The MEL is now quota sharing in that layer, 80% v. 20%. This helps keep more premium dollars with the MEL and results in a savings of approximately \$1 million with Brit Insurance.

Mr. Cooney stated the rest of the program had a very strong renewal as usual. Safety National Insurance Companies reinsures the MEL Workers Compensation program and provided some rate decreases this year in return for a multi-year renewal.

Next Mr. Cooney touched on Public Officials and Employment Practices Liability. He noted that the MEL's performance is starting to get into a more predictable range of losses. The premiums have always increased through the years, averaging about 4.5%, but this year was a bit lower. He noted that the MEL is reviewing the underwriting process used which should be a bit more favorable to all the members as the premiums will be more appropriately allocated.

Mr. Cooney then discussed the Cyber program. He noted that between Dec and January there were 12 Cyber claims reported, which is more claims than the MEL ever experienced in a single year. It was discovered that six (6) of the claims were from one particular incident with very large claim amounts. Ransomware payment requests now range from \$200-\$300K per claim, as opposed to \$2-\$3K just a year ago. Mr. Cooney noted the importance of becoming Compliant with the MEL Cyber Risk Program so your town's deductible can be lowered. Once this is completed by all towns, then other protective programs can be rolled out. He noted that state wide there are 75 member towns that have complied with either Tier 1 or Tier 2 compliance, which is good, but he is hoping to move this along quickly to get the others compliant.

The new TULIP program has just launched and you can find out detailed information on the MEL of JIF Website. It is also much easier to use. Mr. Forlenza noted his office would be sending out a memorandum which simply lists only the BURLCO towns with the codes that have been assigned to them by the MEL.

Mr. Cooney discussed the new MEL EPL Helpline and noted it is roughly the same program, but now manned by MEL specific attorneys who focus on NJ Municipal Law. This program was launched at the beginning of March and Mr. DeWeese's firm is one of the firm's on the panel. There is a bulletin on the MEL website you can access for more detailed information.

Finally, Mr. Cooney discussed Vacant Properties. H noted that the MEL has discovered that if these particular properties are not manned or looked after, fires and other acts of vandalism start to occur resulting in some large losses. The MEL initiated a program that any vacant properties being added have to now go through a check list for approval of coverage. The program will be expanded next year to indicate that any vacant building being renewed for coverage is going to have to go through the same check list again.

Mr. Miola asked what he thinks the Cyber renewal will look like. Mr. Cooney stated that the Cyber renewal saw a 15% rate increase this year, which is why the MEL is pushing to have all towns compliant with the MEL Cyber Risk program, but there will be some sort of rate increase going into 2020.

Mr. Cooney asked if there were any questions. No questions were entertained. Chair Jack thanked Mr. Cooney for the updates.

## Next Meeting

Chair Jack noted that the next meeting of the BURLCO JIF will take place on **Tuesday, April 16 19, 2019 at 3:30 PM** at Café Madison, Riverside, following the BURLCOJIF's Annual Retreat.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion by Mr. Wolbert, seconded by Mr. McMahon, to open the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chair Jack opened the meeting to the public for comment.

Hearing no comments, Chair Jack entertained a motion to close the public portion of the meeting.

Motion by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Mascia, to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING – Resolution #2019-21**

Chair Jack entertained a motion to go into a closed session to discuss matters affecting the protection and safety of the public and to discuss pending or anticipated litigation and/or contract negotiations.

Motion by Mr. Mascia, seconded by Mr. McMahon, to Adopt *Resolution #2019-22*. All in favor. Motion carried.

A Closed Session of the BURLCO JIF was held and the meeting was then reopened to the public.

## **REOPEN PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING**

Chair Jack entertained a motion to reopen the public portion of the meeting.

Motion by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Ingling, to reopen the public portion of the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

## APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PAYMENTS

Chair Jack asked for a motion for *Approval of Claims Payment* on the following claims as presented in Closed Session.

Workers' Compensation	General Liability	Property
2017095893	001256269	2019167193
		2019164302

Chair Jack asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

Motion by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Ingling, to approve the following claims as discussed in *Closed Session*.

ROLL CALL	Yeas	Amanda Somes, <b>Bass River Twp.</b> Rich Wolbert, <b>Beverly City</b>
		Grace Archer, Bordentown City
		Jeffrey Elsasser, <i>Alternate</i> , <b>Bordentown Twp.</b>
		Glenn McMahon, <b>Chesterfield Twp.</b>
		John Browne, Alternate, Delanco Twp.
		Jeffrey Hatcher, <b>Delran Twp.</b>
		Richard Brook, <b>Florence Twp.</b>
		Paula Kosko, Hainesport Twp.
		Brandon Umba, Lumberton Twp.
		Mike Fitzpatrick, Mansfield Twp.
		Kathy Burger, Medford Twp.
		Jerry Mascia, Mt. Laurel Twp.
		Donna Mull, Pemberton Borough
		Dennis Gonzalez, Pemberton Township
		Meghan Jack, Riverside Twp.
		David Matchett, Shamong
		J. Paul Keller, Springfield Twp.
		Doug Cramer, Tabernacle Twp.
		Steve Ent, Westampton Twp.
		James Ingling, Wrightstown Borough
	Nays:	None
	Abstain:	None

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

## AUTHORIZATION TO ABANDON SUBROGATION – APPROVAL

There was one (1) abandonment of Subrogation claim(s) presented in Closed Session.

# 2017095893

## MOTION TO ADJOURN

Chair Jack entertained a motion to adjourn the March19, 2019 meeting of the BURLCO JIF.

Motion by Mr. Ingling, seconded by Mr. McMahon, to adjourn the March 19, 2019 meeting of the BURLCO JIF. All in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 PM.



To: Fund Commissioners

From: Paul A. Forlenza, MGA, RMC, Executive Director

Date: April 16, 2019

## Re: **Executive Director's Report**

## A. Lost Time Accident Frequency Report – (pgs. 18-19)

The February 2019 Lost Time Accident Frequency Summary and the Statewide Recap for February 2019 are attached for your review

## B. Certificates of Insurance (pgs. 20-21)

A summary of the Certificates of Insurance issued during March 2019 are attached for your review.

## C. Financial Fast Track Report (pg. 22)

The Financial Fast Track Report as of February 28, 2019 is attached for your review. The report is generated by PERMA and provides a "snapshot" of the JIF's financial status. The JIF's surplus position as of February 28, 2019 was **\$11,375,659**.

## D. Regulatory Filing Checklists (pgs. 23-24)

Enclosed please find two regulatory filing checklists that we provide each month as part of our due diligence reporting on behalf of the JIF. These checklists provide an outline of required reporting to the Departments of Banking and Insurance and Community Affairs on an annual and a monthly basis, and the status of the items outlined.

## E. 2018 Safety Incentive Program Awards (pg. 25)

A letter from our office describing how to collect your 2018 Safety Incentive Awards money was emailed to all members on or about April 10, 2019. A report detailing the available balances for each member is attached for your review. If you have any questions on how to collect your 2018 Safety Incentive Program allowance, please contact our office. <u>Please note that the deadline to claim or encumber these funds is November 30, 2019.</u> All encumbered funds have to be claimed by February 1, 2020.

## F. 2019 Optional Safety Budget (pg. 26)

A letter from our office describing how to collect your 2019 Optional Safety Budget allowance was emailed on or about February 15, 2019. A report detailing the available balances for each member is attached for your review. If you have any questions on how to collect your 2019 Optional Safety Budget allowance, please contact our office. <u>Please note that the deadline to claim or encumber</u> <u>these funds is November 30, 2019. All encumbered funds have to be claimed by</u> <u>February 1, 2020.</u>

## G. 2019 Wellness Incentive Program Allowance (pg. 27)

A letter from our office describing how to collect your 2019 Wellness Incentive money was emailed on or about February 15, 2019. <u>Please note that the deadline to claim or encumber these funds</u> is November 30. 2019. All encumbered funds have to be claimed by February 1. 2020.

## H. EPL/Cyber Risk Management Budget (pg. 28)

The JIF has budgeted \$500 for each member to help offset employment practice and cyber security related expenses. A report detailing the available balances for each member is attached for your review. If you have any questions on how to collect your 2019 EPL/Cyber Risk Management allowance, please contact our office. <u>Please note that the deadline for claiming or encumbering these funds is November 30, 2019</u>. All encumbered funds must be claimed by February 1, 2020.

## I. MEL Employment Practices Helpline – Authorized Contact List (pg. 29)

The MEL has established the *MEL Employment Practices Helpline* to assist our members by providing legal advice on employment related issues. The Members have unlimited access to the *Helpline* attorneys to seek advice on employment related issues. The Members can appoint up to **two** (2) municipal representatives who will be permitted to contact the *Helpline* attorneys with their inquiries. The appointment of the municipal representatives must be made by Resolution of the Governing Body. <u>Please note that Municipal Solicitors cannot be appointed as Helpline</u> <u>Contacts.</u> Enclosed please find the most recent list of authorized contacts for the *MEL Employment Practices Helpline*. These authorized contacts are the only representatives permitted to access this service. Please contact the Executive Director's Office or David S. DeWeese, Esquire with any questions regarding the *Helpline*.

## J. Employment Practices Liability Compliance – (pg. 30)

A report regarding each member's compliance status with the MEL EPL/POL Risk Management Plan is included for your review. Each member should review this report carefully to insure its accuracy. If you believe the report to be inaccurate regarding your town, please contact PERMA directly.

## K. MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan Compliance (pg. 31)

A report regarding each member's compliance status with the MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan is included for your review. Each member should review this report carefully to insure its accuracy. If you believe the report to be inaccurate regarding your town, please contact Ed Cooney, Fund Underwriter at 973-659-6424.

## L. Statutory Bond Status (pg. 32)

The latest listing of Statutory Bonds issued by the MEL for JIF members is included for your review. This list should be reviewed for accuracy. Any questions on the status of an application or a listed bond should be directed to Cate Kiernan at PERMA. Cate can be reached at 201-518-7031.

## M. Skateboard Park Approval Status (pg. 33)

The MEL has established a process, outlined in MEL Coverage Bulletin **2019-09**, which must be followed by all members who wish to construct a skateboard park and have the BURLCO JIF and MEL provide the facility with coverage. Any member with a park currently under construction or in the review process should review the enclosed spreadsheet to be sure that it accurately depicts the status of your facility. All members considering construction of a skateboard park should contact the Executive Director's office prior to moving forward.

## N. Capehart & Scatchard Updates (pgs. 34-42)

John Geaney, Esq. of the law firm of Capehart & Scatchard periodically provides updates on court cases dealing with workers' compensation, ADA and FMLA issues. Copies of his latest updates are included for your information.

## O. Police One Training

To help reduce the skyrocketing costs associated with police related injuries and lawsuits, the JIF has contracted with Police One Academy for access to online training. All JIF Member Police Agencies are eligible to participate in this web-based training. Current course offerings include De-Escalation Strategies, Sexual Harassment, and Ethics in Law Enforcement. Police One offers training in many different areas of importance to Police personnel and additional courses will be made available over the next several months. If you have any suggestions for police training topics or questions about the system, please contact Megan Matro in the Executive Directors Office or Keith Hummel in the Safety Director's Office for assistance.

## P. Employee Cyber Hygiene Training - MediaPRO

To combat the rise in cybersecurity threats, the JIF has contracted with MediaPRO to deliver online technology risk training for Member Municipalities. MediaPRO specializes in cybersecurity and data privacy employee awareness programs. Every full time, part time, and seasonal municipal employee who utilizes a municipally owned computer will be assigned training. Training courses include password best practices, how to avoid malware, social media usage and many other important subjects. Members must provide the first name, last name, title, and email address of each employee that they want to have access to the training module. Once this information is received, the employees will receive an introduction on how to access and utilize the training program. Please contact Megan Matro in the Executive Directors Office if you have any questions.

## Q. Technology Risk Management Services – Pivot Point

The JIF has contracted with Pivot Point Security to provide technology risk management services to the members. These services include phishing tests, the development of, and training on, various cyber related policies and procedures, the development of third party cyber risk standards, as well as network vulnerability assessments. To begin this process, on November 27, 2018, an email was sent to all members asking that they provide the Executive Director's office with the IP addresses of all of their public facing networks and the contact information for their IT professional. This information is necessary to begin the network vulnerability testing. Over the next few months, members will begin to see the role out of different risk management services from Pivot Point. Please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Director's office if you have any questions.

## R. Quarterly Attendance Report (pg. 43)

A report detailing attendance records through the first quarter of the 2019 Fund Year is attached for your review.

## S. New Fund Commissioner Orientation (pg. 44)

We will be conducting New Fund Commissioner Orientation training prior to the Executive Committee Meeting on May 21, 2019 at 1:30 PM in Hainesport. An email notification with further details was sent out to all Fund Commissioners and RMC's on or about April 1, 2019.

## T. Elected Officials – Online Training (pgs. 45)

The 2019-2020 in person Elected Officials Training Sessions have concluded. Members with elected officials that attended this training will receive a credit of \$250 for each municipal elected official who attended one of the in person training sessions. This credit is also available to the member's

CEO (i.e. Municipal Manager or Administrator) this year. The sign-in sheets from December 6, 2018, January 31, 2019, February 6, 2019, and March 21, 2019 seminars are posted on the JIF website. Earlier this month, the MEL announced the availability of online training for elected officials via the MEL Safety Institute. Elected officials that complete the online training session by May 1, 2019 will also be eligible for the \$250 per elected official credit. The total credit is limited to 5% of a member's 2019 MEL Assessment. Instructions on how to access the online training are attached for your review and also available on the MEL website; www.njmel.org.

## U. Financial Disclosure Statement (pgs. 46-50)

In 2014, the Division of Local Government Services implemented a new "on line" process for completion and submission of Financial Disclosure forms. Each Fund Commissioner has a unique PIN # for which to file as their position of Fund Commissioner with the JIF. Newly assigned Fund Commissioners receive their Filing PIN # from our office once we are notified of their assignment and have 30 days from their day of assignment in which to file. Any newly appointed Fund Commissioner that has not yet received their PIN# from the Executive Director's office should contact Kris Kristie at 856-446-9136.

## V. WEBSITE (WWW.BURLCOJIF.ORG)

Last month we released the new and updated BURLCO JIF website <u>WWW.BURLCOJIF/ORG</u>. The website contains many new features that make it easier to navigate and find the information you are looking for. We have already received excellent feedback from our members but we are always open to suggestions to improve the website. Please take a look and let us know what you think.

## W. New Member Activity

Nothing to Report.

	Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund 2018 Safety Incentive Program																
Member	Opening	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Paid in	Total	Remaining	
Municipality	Balance	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2020	Paid	Balance	Funds
Bass River	1,900.00														0.00	1,900.00	
Beverly	2,475.00														0.00	2,475.00	
Bordentown City	2,975.00														0.00	2,975.00	
Bordentown Twp	2,525.00														0.00	2,525.00	
Chesterfield	2,400.00														0.00	2,400.00	
Delanco	2,150.00														0.00	2,150.00	
Delran	2,775.00														0.00	2,775.00	
Edgewater	1,975.00														0.00	1,975.00	
Fieldsboro Boro	1,900.00														0.00	1,900.00	
Florence	3,025.00														0.00	3,025.00	
Hainesport	2,650.00														0.00	2,650.00	
Lumberton	2,775.00				2,775.00										2,775.00	0.00	
Mansfield	2,475.00														0.00	2,475.00	
Medford	3,600.00														0.00	3,600.00	
Mount Laurel	2,850.00				2,850.00										2,850.00	0.00	
North Hanover	2,475.00														0.00	2,475.00	
Palmyra	2,475.00														0.00	2,475.00	
Pemberton Boro.	1,900.00														0.00	1,900.00	
Pemberton Twp.	3,100.00														0.00	3,100.00	
Riverside	2,725.00														0.00	2,725.00	
Shamong	2,650.00														0.00	2,650.00	
Southampton	2,225.00														0.00	2,225.00	
Springfield	2,400.00														0.00	2,400.00	
Tabernacle	2,650.00														0.00	2,650.00	
Westampton	2,475.00														0.00	2,475.00	
Woodland	1,900.00														0.00	1,900.00	
Wrightstown	2,400.00														0.00	2,400.00	
Total By Line	\$67,825.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,625.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	########	\$62,200.00	

Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund 2019 Optional Safety Budget									-								
Member	Opening	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Paid	Total	Remaining	
Municipality	Balance	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2020	Paid	Balance	Encumbrance
Bass River	995.00														0.00	995.00	
Beverly Ctiy	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Bordentown City	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Bordentown Twp.	2,660.00														0.00	2,660.00	
Chesterfield	995.00														0.00	995.00	
Delanco	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Delran	2,660.00														0.00	2,660.00	
Edgewater Park	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Fieldsboro	750.00														0.00	750.00	
Florence	2,660.00														0.00	2,660.00	
Hainesport	995.00														0.00	995.00	
Lumberton	2,660.00														0.00	2,660.00	
Mansfield	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Medford	4,645.00														0.00	4,645.00	
Mount Laurel	4,645.00														0.00	4,645.00	
North Hanover	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Palmyra	1,595.00														0.00	1.595.00	
Pemberton Boro	995.00														0.00	995.00	
Pemberton Twp.	4,645.00														0.00	4.645.00	
Riverside	2,660.00														0.00	2.660.00	
Shamong	995.00									1 1					0.00	995.00	
Southampton	1,595.00									1 1		1			0.00	1,595.00	1
Springfield	995.00									1 1		1			0.00	995.00	1
Tabernacle	995.00														0.00	995.00	
Westampton	1,595.00														0.00	1,595.00	
Woodland	995.00									+ +					0.00	995.00	
Wrightstown	995.00					1	i			1 1					0.00	995.00	1
Total By Line	51,295	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	51,295.00	

Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund																	
2019 Wellness Incentive Program										1	n						
Member Municipality	Opening Balance	January 2019	February 2019	March 2019	April 2019	May 2019	June 2019	July 2019	August 2019	September 2019	October 2019	November 2019	December 2019	Paid 2020	Total Paid	Remaining Balance	Date of Encumber
Bass River	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Beverly	750.00														0.00	750.00	(
Bordentown City	750.00														0.00	750.00	(
Bordentown Twp.	1,000.00			479.40											479.40	520.60	(
Chesterfield	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Delanco	750.00														0.00	750.00	ſ
Delran	1,000.00														0.00	1,000.00	(
Edgewater Park	750.00														0.00	750.00	(
Fieldsboro	500.00														0.00	500.00	ſ
Florence	1,000.00														0.00	1,000.00	(
Hainesport	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Lumberton	1,000.00														0.00	1,000.00	(
Mansfield	750.00														0.00	750.00	(
Medford	1,500.00														0.00	1,500.00	(
Mount Laurel	1,500.00														0.00	1,500.00	(
North Hanover	750.00														0.00	750.00	(
Palmyra	750.00														0.00	750.00	ĺ
Pemberton Boro	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Pemberton Twp.	1,500.00														0.00	1,500.00	(
Riverside	1,000.00														0.00	1,000.00	(
Shamong	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Southampton	750.00														0.00	750.00	(
Springfield	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Tabernacle	500.00														0.00	500.00	
Westampton	750.00														0.00	750.00	
Woodland	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Wrightstown	500.00														0.00	500.00	(
Total By Line	\$21,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$479.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	479.40	20,770.60	1

Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund										-							
	2019 EPL/CYBER Risk Management Budget																
Member Opening January Feb March April May June July August September October November December Paid in Total Remaining Date												Date					
Municipality	Balance	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2020	Paid	Balance	Encumbered
Bass River	500.00	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2015	2013	2015	2013	2013	2020	-	500.00	Encumbered
Beverly	500.00														-	500.00	
Bordentown City	500.00														-	500.00	
Bordentown Twp.															-	500.00	
Chesterfield	500.00														-	500.00	
Delanco	500.00														-	500.00	
Delran	500.00														-	500.00	
Edgewater Park	500.00														-	500.00	
Fieldsboro	500.00														-	500.00	
Florence	500.00														-	500.00	
Hainesport	500.00														-	500.00	
Lumberton	500.00														-	500.00	
Mansfield	500.00														-	500.00	
Medford	500.00														-	500.00	
Mt. Laurel	500.00														-	500.00	
North Hanover	500.00														-	500.00	
Palmyra	500.00														-	500.00	
Pemberton Boro	500.00														-	500.00	
Pemberton Twp.	500.00														-	500.00	
Riverside	500.00														-	500.00	
Shamong	500.00														-	500.00	
Southampton	500.00														-	500.00	
Springfield	500.00														-	500.00	
Tabernacle	500.00														-	500.00	
Westampton	500.00														-	500.00	
Woodland	500.00														-	500.00	
Wrightstown	500.00														-	500.00	
Total By Line	\$13,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,500.00	J



## 2019 Elected Officials Online Employment Practices Seminar

This course details ways to prevent Employment Practices lawsuits. Municipal elected officials, authority commissioners and a member's CEO (i.e. municipal manager / administrator or executive director) who completes this course by May 1, 2019 will qualify for a \$250 credit in their local unit 2019 assessment.

- 1. Click the following link for the MEL Safety Institute's Learning Management System
  <u>www.firstnetcampus.com/meljif</u>
- 2. If you have previously taken MSI classes, enter your username and password. If you do not know your username/password, check with your Training Administrator or call the MSI Help Line.

If you are new, click 'New User Registration.' Complete the fields and you will receive an email with your username and password.

- 3. Click on the On-Line Training Courses, at bottom right.
- 4. Click the '2018-2019 Elected Officials' Employment Practices Seminar'.
- 5. Click 'Enroll'.
- 6. Click the 'My Training' tab on the top blue tool bar.
- 7. Click the program name to launch the course.
- 8. Upon completion of the course and questions you will navigate to the 'Student Center' tab to print your Certificate of Completion. Learning transcripts are automatically updated in the MEL Safety Institute's Learning Management System.

Questions? Contact the MSI Help Line (866) 661-5120

<mark>Th</mark>e MEL <mark>Sa</mark>fety Ins<mark>tit</mark>ute can also be accessed anytime by go</mark>ing to <u>www.njmel.org</u>.

You must complete the entire program and the affidavit at the end of the program to receive credit. If you need additional assistance please call the MSI Help Line at (866) 661-5120 during business hours.

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Bass River	Somes/Ireton	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Beverly City	Wolbert/Hannah	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Bordentown City	Archer/Peak	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Bordentown Twp.	Theokas/Elsasser	FC	FC	Alt										2	1	3	67%	33%	100%
Chesterfield Township	McMahon/Hoyer	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Delanco Township	Templeton/Browne	FC	FC	Alt										2	1	3	67%	33%	100%
Delran Township	Hatcher/Eggers	FC	N/A	FC										2	0	3	67%	0%	67%
Edgewater Park Twp.	Pullion/Treusch	N/A	N/A	N/A										0	0	3	0%	0%	0%
Fieldsboro	Hansell, P./Lewis.C	Rep	FC	N/A										1	0	3	33%	0%	33%
Florence Township	Brook/Sahol	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Hainesport Township	Kosko/Kilburn	N/A	FC	FC										2	0	3	67%	0%	67%
Lumberton Township	Umba/Januseski	FC	N/A	FC										2	0	3	67%	0%	67%
Mansfield Township	Fitzpatrick/Magee	FC	Alt	FC										2	1	3	67%	33%	100%
Medford Township	Burger/Meder	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Mt. Laurel	Mascia/Tomczyk	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
North Hanover	Picariello/Wells	FC	Alt	N/A										1	1	3	33%	33%	67%
Palmyra Borough	Gural/Pearlman	Alt	N/A	N/A										0	1	3	0%	33%	33%
Pemberton Borough	Mull/Vallari	Alt	Alt	FC										1	2	3	33%	67%	100%
Pemberton Twp.	Gonzalez/Brown	FC	N/A	FC										2	0	3	67%	0%	67%
Riverside Township	Jack/Lewis	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Shamong Township	Matchett	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Southampton Township	Hoffman	N/A	N/A	N/A										0	0	3	0%	0%	0%
Springfield Township	Keller/Sobotka	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Tabernacle Township	Cramer/Barber	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Westampton Township	Ent/Brady	FC	FC	FC										3	0	3	100%	0%	100%
Woodland Township	Brown/Seeland	N/A	FC	N/A										1	0	3	33%	0%	33%
Wrightstown	Ingling	FC	N/A	FC										2	0	3	67%	0%	67%
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N/A No representation for this municipality

FC Fund Commissioner in attendance

ALT Alt. Fund Commissioner in attendance



To: Fund Commissioners/ Alt. Fund Commissioners

From: Kris Kristie, Sr. Account Representative

Date: April 1, 2019

## Re: New Fund Commissioner Orientation – May 21, 2019

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We will be hosting a New Fund Commissioner Orientation on May 21, 2019 @ 1:30 PM for both Fund Commissioners and Alternate Fund Commissioners prior to the monthly Executive Committee meeting. With some new Fund Commissioners/Alternate Fund Commissioners on board this year, this is your opportunity to learn all things JIF. Also, this is a great refresher for the more seasoned Fund Commissioners/Alternate Fund Commissioners. The orientation will provide an overview of the JIF and an opportunity for participants to ask questions. Each attendee will also receive a Fund Commissioner Handbook that provides useful information about the JIF. There is always something new to be learned!

## Session: May 21, 2019 @ 1:30 PM

Hainesport Municipal Building 1 Hainesport Center, Hainesport, NJ

Kindly **RSVP** no later than Tuesday, May 14th so we may produce the correct number of materials.

I,	/	would like to attend the
Name	Municipality	
New Fund Commissioner Orienta	ation.	
Fund Title: Fund Commiss	sionerAlt Fund Commis	sioner
<b>RMC:;</b> Company:		
Forward this completed form by Tue	esday, May 14th	
Ms Kris Kristia		

Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services E-Mail: Kristi\_Kristie@ajg.com Fax: (856) 446-9149

# department of community affairs

division of local government services

## LFN 2019-05

## April 1, 2019

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## Local Government Ethics Law

## **2019 Financial Disclosure Statements**

## Filing Information for Local Government Officers

## Introduction

Pursuant to the Local Government Ethics Law (LGEL), specifically <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:9-22.6, local government officers shall annually file a financial disclosure statement (FDS).

Your local government entity has determined that you are a local government officer (LGO) who is required to file. N.I.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g defines a local government officer as "any person, whether compensated or not, whether part-time or full- time: (1) elected to any office of a local government agency; (2) serving on a local government agency, which has the authority to enact ordinances, approve development applications or grant zoning variances; (3) who is a member of an independent municipal, county or regional authority; or (4) who is a managerial executive employee of a local government agency, as defined in rules and regulations adopted by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L. 1968, c. 410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), but shall not mean any employee of a school district or member of a school board. N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g(4) of the LGEL, defining managerial executive, was amended in August 2015. Please note that, effective with the 2017 filing year, the Division of Local Government Services adopted Rules and Regulations determining positions specifically required to file under the managerial executive section of the LGEL. For a more comprehensive explanation of the managerial executive changes, please refer to Local Finance Notice 2019-04.

Also, effective with the 2017 filing year, the Local Finance Board (Board) amended the FDS form in conformance with the Police Information Law. These changes are further discussed on Page 4 of this LFN. In another change to the FDS form, home addresses and telephone numbers included in Section 1 - Personal Information (optional) will not appear in public search results. A footnote has been added to the form reflecting this action.

The FDS is part of the legislative design for assuring that standards of ethical conduct and financial disclosure requirements for LGOs are clear, consistent, uniform in application, and enforceable on a statewide basis.

The Board commends you for accepting the opportunity to serve the public. For most LGOs, your public service will be a gratifying personal experience, and you will no doubt be exposed to various types of public policy and fiscal challenges facing your community.

Public office and employment are a public trust. The annual FDS filing requirement serves as an important reminder to each LGO that the citizens of New Jersey hold you to a high standard of ethical conduct. As such, both paid and volunteer LGOs are required to file a FDS.

This Local Finance Notice outlines filing procedures that are designed to facilitate efficiency and enhance transparency by using available technology to capture and report the financial disclosure statements we collect. This notice was written for local government officers and contains specific step-by-step instructions for successfully filing the financial disclosure statement using the online process.

A separate Local Finance Notice has been issued to municipal clerks, county clerks, and other local government entity representatives who have administrative responsibilities under the Local Government Ethics Law pertaining to financial disclosure statements. If you desire a more comprehensive explanation of the financial disclosure statement filing requirements, you should read <u>Local Finance Notice 2019-04</u> and other materials that are posted on the Division of Local Government Services' (Division's) web site, <u>www.fds.nj.gov</u>.

## **Online Filing Procedure**

Beginning with the 2013 filing year, online filing of FDS forms became mandatory for all local government officers (LGOs). The filing process uses a web based system and is similar to online banking or purchasing goods from a company that has an online ordering system.

If you filed an FDS in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, or 2018 you have an LGO profile/account created in a prior year. To file your FDS electronically, use the login ID (e-mail address) and Password from the prior year. You only need a new PIN# if you have any new or additional positions that were not on your 2018 FDS. If you have additional positions for which you have been assigned a new PIN#, you must also validate the new PIN# using the "Manage Positions" button after logging in.

If you are a new filer, you will first need to obtain the PIN# from your local government entity representative (e.g., municipal clerk or county clerk) and confirm with the representative how your name was listed on the roster (e.g. James Smith vs. Jim Smith). Your first and last name entered to validate the PIN# must match the name as it was entered on the roster by your local government entity representative.

If you are a new filer who is identified as an LGO by multiple local government entities (e.g., you serve as a business administrator for a municipality and also serve as a commissioner for a joint insurance fund), you will receive separate PIN#s from each entity. You will link each PIN# to a single LGO user account by using the Manage Positions feature after you validate the first PIN# issued and create your profile. More detailed instructions are provided below and at <u>www.fds.nj.gov</u>. Please note that if you hold multiple positions within the same local government entity (e.g., municipal governing body member also serving on the local planning board), you will only be assigned one PIN#.

## Step-By-Step Instructions

- STEP 1: Carefully review this Local Finance Notice.
- STEP 2: Read the FDS instructions available at <u>www.fds.nj.gov</u> and/or watch the webinar training video.
- STEP 3: Go to <u>www.fds.nj.gov</u>. To access the login page, click on the button titled, "File Financial Disclosure Statement."

#### New Filers:

- STEP 4: First time users must click the "<u>New Registration (Local Government Officer</u>)" link at the bottom of the login screen. Authorization names are not used as the login ID; you will establish your login ID and password in Step 7.
- STEP 5: Obtain your authorization name (the name the LGE Representative used for you on the roster) and PIN# from your local government entity representative.
- STEP 6: Register and validate your PIN# (you must use the same name entered on the roster and provided by your local government entity representative).
- STEP 7: Complete the information in the box entitled, "Local Government Officer (LGO) Credentials" and create a login and password. Your login <u>must</u> be in the form of a valid email address. Maintain a record of the login and password you selected for future access to the system.
- STEP 8: Login to the system as a registered LGO using the login and password you just created to begin your financial disclosure statement. Proceed to STEP 10.

#### **Returning Users:**

- STEP 9: If you established an LGO profile in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, or 2018 login using the login ID (your e-mail address) and password you created to establish that profile. Proceed to STEP 10.
  - If you have forgotten your password, click on "Forgot Password" on the bottom of the login page. The password will be e-mailed to the e-mail used as the login ID. Your local government entity representative can also reset your password if you do not remember it.
  - If you need to edit your e-mail address, please contact your local government entity representative to have the e-mail address edited.

#### All Users:

- STEP 10: Validate any additional PIN#s received from different entities using the Manage Positions button **PRIOR** to starting your financial disclosure statement.
- STEP 11: Once all PIN#s have been validated, click on the "File" link and start the FDS making sure to accurately fill out the form. It is recommended that you read the instructions and/or Frequently Asked Questions, also on <u>www.fds.nj.gov</u>, if you have questions about definitions or the sections of the FDS such as what constitutes sources of income, etc.
- STEP 12: You can start your FDS and save the information to be submitted at a later time, or you can submit your FDS right away. **NOTE: Once the FDS is submitted, it can be amended;** however, the original FDS and any amended FDS's will also be available publicly.
- STEP 13: If you want, you may print a copy of your FDS for your own records. It is unnecessary for you to file a paper copy of your FDS with the Local Finance Board or your local government entity. Once you submit your FDS online it is immediately available through the public search feature. Click on "Search Financial Disclosure Statements" button on www.fds.nj.gov to view your submitted statement.
- STEP 14: If you receive any PINs after you have submitted your FDS, login and click the "Manage Positions" button to validate the additional PINs. After validating the PINS, **click the "file" link proceed through the FDS sections and re-submit** the FDS. The previously filed FDS will also remain available through the public search tool.

#### Filing Deadline

Financial disclosure statements must be filed annually on or before **April 30**<sup>th</sup> each year. In addition, once the annual filing deadline has passed, per <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:9-22.6(b) new local government officers shall file a financial disclosure statement within 30 days of taking office.

#### Information for Law Enforcement Officers

The Legislature passed a series of Police Information Laws, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2C:20-31.1 (posting of information on the Internet); <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1-17 (publishing certain information by government entity) and, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 56:8-166.1 (person, business, association prohibited from publishing certain information on the Internet), that pertain specifically to the disclosure of certain law enforcement officers' home addresses and home telephone numbers on the Internet. To comply with the legislation, the LFB made a change to the FDS form and the availability of the information supplied on the form.

Since 2014, the FDS has been filed online at <u>www.fds.nj.gov</u>. The public can search both rosters of governmental entities and submitted FDS's on the website. Prior to 2017, all information entered on the FDS by the LGO when they filled out the form was available on the public search portion.

Per <u>N.J.S.A</u>. 40A:9-22.6 (a)(5) the LGO is required to list the address and brief description of all real property in the State in which the local government officer or a member of his immediate family held an interest during the preceding calendar year. The FDS form was amended in 2017 to allow the below statement to appear on the form under Section II, E where LGOs list this information:

Are you a law enforcement officer or retired law enforcement officer or is a member of your household a law enforcement officer pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1-17 ?

□ Yes, I qualify as a law enforcement officer for purposes of <u>N.J.S.A</u>. 47:1-17

O No, I do not qualify as a law enforcement officer for purposes of N.J.S.A. 47:1-17

Pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1-17, the home addresses and unpublished telephone numbers of law enforcement officers are protected. If you or a member of your household, are a law enforcement officer/ retired law enforcement officer, you must answer YES to identify your home address exempt from online disclosure. Please note that you must still provide the real property information under Section II.E. If you do not select YES check box, you have waived protection under <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1-17 and the provided property information will be available on the Internet as part of your Financial Disclosure Statement.

If you select the checkbox that indicates that you do qualify as a law enforcement officer for purposes of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1-17 and mark a property as a home address, your home address will not show up on the FDS through the public search. Instead, the language "exempt from disclosure" will be reflected on that property's line. Other properties that you may have that are not home addresses will still show up on the FDS form. The home address information will continue to be collected by the LFB.

## **Multiple Positions**

With the electronic system, LGOs submit one form regardless of the number of positions they might hold in different government entities. However, the LGO needs to link all of the positions together and make sure that all positions are listed on the FDS under Section I. Personal Information.

If you are registering for the first time, validate all PINs before you submit the FDS. If you have already submitted your FDS and receive another PIN, login and click the "Manage Positions" button to validate any additional PIN#s. After adding any PINs, go to the "File" button and <u>re-submit</u> the FDS.

## JIF Members

Joint Insurance Funds are deemed separate local government entities for purposes of the Local Government Ethics Law and, therefore, members of Joint Insurance Funds (JIFs) are usually listed on two rosters-the municipality's roster and the JIF's roster. LGOs who are on JIFs should link the PIN supplied

by the JIF to their profile. LGOs should make sure that their FDS reflects the positions under Section I. Personal Information as listed on the JIF's roster, as well as their titles on the municipality's roster. For example, in Section I. Personal Information it should read "ABC Municipality-Business Administrator" and "XYZ JIF-Member." Being listed as a JIF member by the municipality will not satisfy the requirement of being listed on the JIF roster because the JIF is considered a separate local government entity.

#### **Compliance**

The LFB may periodically conduct audits for compliance with the filing requirements and initiate investigations. Notices of Violation are issued by the LFB. LGOs can be assessed an appropriate fine that is not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:9-22.10. In addition, for elected officials, the failure to file a FDS can subject the municipality to a loss of State Aid as it is a question on the "Best Practices" Questionnaire.

Ignorance of the requirement to file the FDS is not considered "good cause." It is expected that LGOs will take time to understand their responsibilities under the Local Government Ethics Law and will consider the annual filing requirement an important duty to be fulfilled as part of their public service. The LFB reminds LGOs that the Division does not send out reminder e-mails to LGOs directly. In addition, any reminder e-mails are sent as a courtesy and are not a statutory requirement.

The LFB further reminds LGOs that compliance is not just submitting an FDS, but filing a complete FDS. The LFB can, and does, find violations against LGOs whose FDSs are incomplete. For example, in recent years, violations have been found against local officials who failed to disclose their pensions as one of their sources of income and who failed to disclose rental properties as sources of income, as well as, real estate in which an interest was held.

We know that the process discussed herein will require the use of enhanced technology, and we appreciate your help in making this less expensive, more effective disclosure process a reality. It is our hope that in the end, taxpayer resources will be saved, the past bureaucracy associated with paper filings will be eliminated, and the public will be better served with enhanced transparency.

## <u>Help</u>

Numerous resources have been created to assist you through this process, including a step-by-step help guide, recorded webinar presentations, and a specially prepared LGO video tutorial. However, if you need assistance after consulting those resources, please contact Local Finance Board staff by e-mailing LFB\_FDS@dca.nj.gov or by phone at 609-292-4537.

Approved: Melanie R. Walter, Director

# **BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL** JOINT INSURANCE FUND

## APRIL 2019 CLOSED CASES

## THERE HAVE BEEN NO CASES CLOSED SINCE THE MARCH 19, 2019 MEETING.

## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND RESOLUTION #2019-\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF FUND YEAR 2018 CLOSED SESSION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FUND SOLICITOR

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund has been organized pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et. seq.;* and

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund is duly constituted as a Municipal Self Insurance Fund to provide insurance coverage to its member municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund is subject to the provisions of NJSA 10:4-6 the "Open Public Meetings Act"; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the Executive Committee, during regularly scheduled meetings of the Fund, deemed it necessary to enter into a closed session to discuss matters affecting the safety and property of the public and to discuss pending or anticipated litigation and/or contract negotiations as authorized by NJSA10:4-12; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with NJSA10:4-14 minutes of these closed sessions were transcribed by the Fund Recording Secretary and approved by the Executive Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, in correspondence dated February 19, 2019, the Fund Recording Secretary requested that the Fund Solicitor review the closed session meeting minutes from Fund Year 2018 to make a determination as to whether any of these minutes could be released to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, in correspondence dated April 3, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, the Fund Solicitor has indicated that the 2018 Executive Committee Closed Session meeting minutes can be released to the public in their entirety, except for the following specific sections of these minutes, as the matters discussed are still unresolved:

- 1. In the February 20, 2018 minutes, the discussion on page 2 entitled "Annual Defense Panel Breakfast Report" should be redacted.
- 2. In the June 19, 2018 minutes, Mr. Roselli's discussion on page 1 detailing a flooding incident which occurred in Riverside Township should be redacted.
- 3. In the July 17, 2018 minutes, Mr. Roselli's discussion on page 2 detailing the flooding incident which occurred in Riverside Township should be redacted.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the 2018 Executive Committee Closed Session meeting minutes are hereby released to the public; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution by forwarded to the Fund Recording Secretary, Fund Solicitor, and Executive Director for their knowledge and action as required.

This Resolution was duly adopted by the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund at a public meeting held on April 16, 2019.

## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Attest:

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Glenn McMahon Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Meghan Jack, Chairperson

## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND RESOLUTION #2019-\_\_\_\_

## A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN ADDITIONAL APPROVED ASSOCIATE

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (BURLCOJIF) has been organized pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:10-36 et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the BURLCOJIF is duly constituted as a Municipal Self Insurance Fund to provide insurance coverage to its member municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, through Resolution #2016-22 the BURLCOJIF adopted the Revised Litigation Management Guidelines which require that the BURLCOJIF approve, by Resolution, a list of those individual attorneys who will be designated as "Approved Associates"; and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution #2019-4, the Commissioners of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund designated the "Assigned Defense Counsel and Approved Associates" for 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the law firm of Affanato Marut, LLC has requested that Caitlin K. Carroll, Esquire be designated as an "Approved Associate"; and

**WHEREAS,** the Fund Solicitor has recommended that Caitlin K. Carroll, Esquire of Affanato Marut, LLC be added as an "Approved Associate" for the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners of the BURLCOJIF have deemed it appropriate to designate Caitlin K. Carroll, Esquire as an "Approved Associate" to perform legal services on behalf of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund in accordance with the procedures established by the Litigation Management Guidelines.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Commissioners of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, assembled in a public session on April 16, 2019, that:

1. The following attorney is hereby designated as an "Approved Associate" for the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for 2019:

## WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

1.) Affanato Marut, LLC with Caitlin K. Carroll, Esquire as an "Approved Associate".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Executive Director, Fund Solicitor and Claims Administrator for their information and attention and the "Approved Associate" herein designated.

This Resolution was duly adopted by the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund at a public meeting held on April 16, 2019.

## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Attest: \_

Glenn McMahon, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Meghan Jack, Chairperson

Date: April 16, 2019

# CAITLIN KRZYSTON CARROLL

Highly motivated attorney with experience analyzing and interpreting law to design client solutions, strengthen cases, and secure favorable outcomes. Superior collaborative and relationship building skills complement abilities in research, procedure, and negotiation. Recognized ability to work independently in evolving, high-volume environments with attention to quality and deadlines. Technical proficiency in Westlaw and Microsoft Office.

## CREDENTIALS

#### **EDUCATION**

**Roger Williams University School of Law | Bristol, RI** Juris Doctorate: 2014

#### College of Charleston | Charleston, SC

Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Marketing Concentration: 2011

#### ADMISSIONS

State of New Jersey May 2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts June 2015

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

#### Keefe Disability Law | Framingham, MA

Case Manager: 2015 - 2016

- Managed a caseload of 250 clients with pending Social Security Disability claims. Achieved a high rate of case resolution, improving firm workflow and efficiency by reducing the occurrence formal hearings.
- Led early stages of claims process including client intake, evidence collection, and applications and appeals to the Social Security Administration's Disability Determination Services and Office of Disability Adjudication and Review.
- Analyzed and interpreted regulations, providing guidance to clients on strategies and evidence documentation to strengthen cases. Advocated for clients in communications with medical professionals, Disability Examiners, and Administrative Law Judges.
- Supported senior attorneys in preparations for Administrative Law Court hearings, providing strategic recommendations, assembling necessary documents, and liaising with clients on court schedule and process.
- Developed training resources and templates for new employees that streamlined processes and improved efficiency. Led training and orientation for two Case Managers.

#### Special Education Impact Project, Roger Williams University School of Law | Bristol, RI

Pro Bono Collaborator: 2013 – 2014

- Authored a memo to the Rhode Island Department of Education Commissioner on recommendations to improve compliance with education law and state-mandated regulations for special education across 54 school districts.
- Interviewed school Special Education Directors and Principals as well as Department of Education employees to analyze challenges and opportunities facing high schools in the identification, documentation, and accommodation of students with learning disabilities.

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa | Atlantic City, NJ

Front Desk Representative, Seasonal: 2017 - Present

- Welcome and register hotel guests, providing information on property offerings and services.
- Maintain cash bank, post cash payments, and prepare daily deposits of funds.



## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

TO: Fund Commissioners, Safety Coordinators, and Risk Managers

FROM: Robert Garish, Senior Risk Control Consultant

**DATE:** April 2, 2019

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## MARCH ACTIVITIES

## LOSS CONTROL SERVICES

- Township of Edgewater Park Conducted a Loss Control Survey on March 29
- Township of Lumberton Conducted a Loss Control Survey on March 19
- Township of Mansfield Conducted a Loss Control Survey on March 20
- Borough of Pemberton Conducted a Loss Control Survey on March 28
- Township of Pemberton Police Department Conducted a Loss Control Survey on March 26
- Township of Riverside Conducted a Loss Control Survey on March 12

## JIF MEETINGS ATTENDED

- Safety Kickoff Breakfast March 5
- Safety and Claims Roundtable Meeting March 5
- S Executive Safety Committee Meeting March 19
- Ø Fund Commissioner Meeting March 19
- Ø Claims Meeting March 19
- Ø Police ad Hoc Committee Meeting March 22

#### MEL MEDIA LIBRARY

The following members used the MEL Media Library during March. Please note the new e-mail address: <u>melvideolibrary@jamontgomery.com</u> and telephone number: 856-552-4900. To either view the full media catalog or rent videos, use the above website or NJMEL.org.

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	March	
<u>Municipality</u>		<u># of Videos</u>
Borough of Palmyra		1
Township of South Hampton		4
Township of Woodland		1

#### MEL MEDIA CATALOG

To view the entire updated MEL Media Catalog with 100 new DVD titles go to NJMEL.org, click on the Video button at the top of the page, and then choose 'Order Conventional Videos.'

#### NEW SAFETY DIRECTOR'S BULLETINS AND NOTICES

Regional training announcements and Bulletins are distributed by e-mail to Fund Commissioners, Safety Coordinators, and Risk Consultants. Please access the BURLCO JIF (<u>http://www.burlcojif.org/</u>) to verify Fund Commissioners, Safety Coordinators and Risk Managers contact information is correct. If you find a discrepancy, please let us know.

The following Safety Director Bulletins and alerts were distributed by e-mail during March. If you are not receiving updates or would like to add other names to the distribution list, please let us know. If applicable, a copy or copies of the Safety Director's Bulletins are attached.

- Ø March 1 NEW N.J. Public Entity Drug & Alcohol Model Program templates available
- Ø March 1 REVISED Drug & Alcohol Testing Bulletin
- Ø March 5 You're Invited: Police Chief AD-HOC Committee Meeting March 22, 2019
- Ø March 13 Excited Delirium Training- April 12, 2019
- Ø March 18 REMINDER You're Invited: Police Chief AD-HOC Committee Meeting March 22, 2019
- Ø March 18 2019 Calendar of MEL Leadership Skills for New Supervisors classes
- Ø March 19 Did You Know? MSI Training Schedule BURLCO JIF, April 2019
- Ø March 25 REMINDER Excited Delirium Training- April 12, 2019
- Ø March 28 Selecting Designated Employer Representatives for your CDL Drug & Alcohol Testing Program

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Ø** Excited Delirium Training Class April 12
- Ø Annual Planning Retreat April 16
- Ø Fund Commissioner Meeting April 16
- Ø Claims Committee Meeting April 16
- Ø Regional Training Back to Basics May 16

#### **MSI TRAINING PROGRAMS**

# <u>NOTE: We need to keep our list of MSI Training Administrators up-to-date. If there are any changes, deletions or if you need to add a new Training Administrator, please advise (afelip@jamontgomery.com).</u>

Below are upcoming MSI training programs scheduled for April, May and June of 2019. *Enrollment is required for all MSI classes.* MSI classes are subject to cancellation or rescheduling at any time.

Members are reminded to log on to the <u>www.njmel.org</u> website, then click on the MSI logo to access the Learning Management System where you can enroll your employees and verify classes. <u>Enrolling</u> your staff ensures you will be notified of any schedule changes.

If you need assistance using the MSI Learning Management System, please call the MSI helpline at 866-661-5120.

DATE	LOCATION	TOPIC	TIME
4/1/19	Township of Hazlet	HazCom w/GHS	8:00 - 9:30 am
4/2/19	Township of Middletown #5	Landscape Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
		CDL-Supervisors Reasonable	
4/2/19	Township of Pemberton	Suspicion	8:30 - 10:30 am
4/2/19	Township of Pemberton	Special Events Management	10:45 - 12:45 pm
4/2/19	City of Brigantine #3	Flagger/Work Zone Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
	Township of Washington		
4/3/19	(Gloucester)	Landscape Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
4/3/19	City of Vineland	Landscape Safety	9:00 - 12:00 pm
4/4/19	Township of Manchester #4	LOTO	8:30 - 10:30 am
4/4/19	Township of Manchester #4	Confined Space Awareness	10:45 - 11:45 am
4/5/19	Toms River MUA	Heavy Equipment Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
4/5/40		Hazard ID: Making Your Observation	0.00 40.00
4/5/19	Borough of Berlin	Count	8:00 - 10:00 am
4/5/19	Borough of Berlin	Leaf Collection Safety	10:15 - 12:15 pm
4/8/19	Township of Hamilton #3	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
4/9/19	Township of Parnagat #1	Asbestos, Lead, Silica Health Overview	8:30 - 9:30 am
4/9/19	Township of Barnegat #1		9:45 - 10:45 am
4/9/19	Township of Barnegat #1 Township of Long Beach #1	Fire Extinguisher	8:00 - 10:00 am
		CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations HazCom w/GHS	
4/9/19 4/9/19	Township of Long Beach #1	HazCom w/GHS	10:15 - 11:45 am 8:30 - 10:00 am
4/9/19	Township of Voorhees #1		
4/9/19	Township of Voorhees #1 Borough of Lavallette #1	Driving Safety Awareness	10:15 - 11:45 am
4/10/19		Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:30 - 12:30 pm 8:30 - 10:30 am
4/10/19	Township of Westampton #3 City of Ventnor	Hoists, Cranes, Rigging Safety PPE	8:30 - 10:30 am
4/10/19	City of Ventnor		10:45 - 11:45 am
4/10/19	City of Margate #5	Fire Safety Back Safety/Material Handling	1:00 - 2:00 pm
4/10/19	Township of Lacey #4	Landscape Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
4/11/19	Township of Willingboro	PPE	
			8:00 - 10:00 am
4/11/19 4/11/19	Township of Willingboro	Hearing Conservation BBP	10:15 - 11:15 am 8:30 - 9:30 am
	Township of Pennsville #1 Township of Pennsville #1		
4/11/19		Fire Safety	9:45 - 10:45 am
4/11/19	Township of Pennsville #1	Fire Extinguisher	11:00 - 12:00 pm
4/12/19	Township of Mantua	Heavy Equipment Safety	12:00 - 3:00 pm
4/15/19	Township of Egg Harbor #5	Hoists, Cranes, Rigging Safety	8:30 - 10:30 am
4/16/19	Deptford Township MUA	Fall Protection Awareness	7:30 - 9:30 am
4/16/19	Deptford Township MUA	Fire Extinguisher	9:45 - 10:45 am
4/16/19	Deptford Township MUA	Respiratory Protection	11:00 - 12:00 pm
4/17/19	Western Monmouth UA	BBP	8:00 - 9:00 am
4/17/19	Western Monmouth UA	Fire Safety	9:15 - 10:15 am

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4/17/19	Western Monmouth UA	Fire Extinguisher	10:30 - 11:30 am
4/17/19	Borough of Pitman	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:30 - 12:30 pm
4/17/19	City of Pleasantville #1	CMVO	8:30 - 12:30 pm
	South Monmouth Regional		
4/18/19	SA	Flagger/Work Zone Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
4/22/19	Township of Weymouth #1	CEVO-Fire-Evening	7:00 - 11:00 pm
4/23/19	Township of Voorhees #1	Fire Safety	8:30 - 9:30 am
4/23/19	Township of Voorhees #1	Fire Extinguisher	9:45 - 10:45 am
4/24/19	Western Monmouth UA	Flagger/Work Zone Safety	8:00 - 12:00 pm
		Employee Conduct/Violence	
4/24/19	Deptford Township MUA	Prevention	10:00 - 11:30 am
4/24/19	Township of West Deptford	Back Safety/Material Handling	12:30 - 1:30 pm
4/24/19	Township of West Deptford	Confined Space Awareness	1:30 - 2:30 pm
4/24/19	Township of West Deptford	Hearing Conservation	2:30 - 3:30 pm
4/24/19	City of Vineland	Landscape Safety	9:00 - 12:00 pm
4/25/19	Jackson Township MUA	PPE	8:00 - 10:00 am
4/25/19	Jackson Township MUA	Ladder Safety/Walking Working Surfaces	10:15 - 12:15 pm
4/25/19	City of Burlington #2	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	8:30 - 10:30 am
4/26/19	Township of Stafford	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	8:00 - 10:00 am
1/20/10		Employee Conduct/Violence	0.00 10.00 am
4/26/19	Township of Stafford	Prevention	10:15 - 11:45 am
4/26/19	Township of Bordentown	Heavy Equipment Safety	9:00 - 12:00 pm
4/29/19	Township of Hainesport #1	HazCom w/GHS	8:30 - 10:00 am
4/29/19	Township of Galloway	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:30 - 12:30 pm
		Hazard ID: Making Your Observation	•
4/30/19	Township of Marlboro #3	Count	8:00 - 10:00 am
4/30/19	Township of Marlboro #3	Shift Briefing Essentials	10:15 - 12:15 pm
4/30/19	Township of Florence	Flagger/Work Zone Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
4/00/40			8:30 - 3:00 pm
4/30/19	Township of Cherry Hill #4	Safety Coordinators Skills Training	w/lunch brk
5/1/19	Western Monmouth UA	Heavy Equipment Safety	8:00 - 11:00 am
5/1/19	Evesham Township MUA	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/1/19	City of Vineland	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:00 - 12:00 pm
5/2/19	Township of Middletown #5	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/2/19	Township of Willingboro	HazMat Awareness w/HazCom GHS	8:00 - 11:00 am
5/3/19	Township of Toms River	Landscape Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
5/3/19	Township of Cherry Hill #1	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/6/19	Borough of Bradley Beach	Landscape Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
5/6/19	Township of Florence	Hearing Conservation	8:30 - 9:30 am
5/6/19	Township of Florence	BBP	9:45 - 10:45 am
5/6/19	Township of Hamilton #3	Ladder Safety/Walking Working Surfaces	8:30 - 10:30 am
5/7/19	Township of Barnegat #1	Fall Protection Awareness	8:30 - 10:30 am
5/7/19	Township of Barnegat #1		10:45 - 11:45 am
5/7/19	Logan Twp. MUA #1	Hearing Conservation Fire Extinguisher	8:30 - 9:30 am
5/7/19			9:45 - 10:45 am
5/7/19	Logan Twp. MUA #1 City of Margate #6	Shop & Tool Safety CMVO	
			8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/8/19	Borough of Lavallette #1	Heavy Equipment Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am

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5/0/40	Two Rivers Water		0.00 40.00
5/8/19	Reclamation Authority	CMVO	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/8/19	Township of Washington (Gloucester)	Heavy Equipment Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
5/8/19	City of Ventnor	Flagger/Work Zone	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/9/19	Township of Winslow	PPE	8:00 - 10:00 am
5/9/19	Township of Winslow	Back Safety/Material Handling	10:15 - 11:15 am
5/9/19	City of Brigantine #3	Heavy Equipment Safety	8:30 - 11:30 am
5/10/19	Borough of Tinton Falls	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	7:30 - 9:30 am
5/10/19	Borough of Thilton Fails	Employee Conduct/Violence	7.30 - 9.30 am
5/10/19	Evesham Township #4	Prevention	8:30 - 10:00 am
5/10/19	Evesham Township #4	Confined Space Awareness	10:15 - 11:15 am
5/10/19	City of Somers Point #1	BBP	8:00 - 9:00 am
5/10/19	City of Somers Point #1	Hearing Conservation	9:15 - 10:15 am
5/13/19	Township of Manchester	Forklift Train-the-Trainer	8:30 - 11:30 am
5/14/19	Township of Middletown #5	Office Safety	8:00 - 10:00 am
5/14/19	City of Pleasantville #1	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	8:30 - 10:30 am
5/14/19	City of Pleasantville #1	Driving Safety Awareness	10:45 - 12:15 pm
5/15/19	Western Monmouth UA	HazMat Awareness w/HazCom GHS	8:00 - 11:00 am
5/15/19	Borough of Clementon #3	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	8:30 - 10:30 am
5/15/19	Borough of Clementon #3	PPE	10:45 - 12:45 pm
5/16/19	Toms River MUA	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/16/19	City of Vineland	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:00 - 12:00 pm
0/10/10		Ladder Safety/Walking Working	0.00 12.00 pm
5/17/19	Township of Stafford	Surfaces	8:00 - 10:00 am
5/17/19	Township of Stafford	Confined Space Awareness	10:15 - 11:15 am
5/17/19	Township of Mantua	Hearing Conservation	1:00 - 2:00 pm
5/17/19	Township of Mantua	Confined Space Awareness	2:00 - 3:00 pm
5/20/19	Township of Toms River	CEVO-EMS	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/20/19	City of Wildwood #3	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
	South Monmouth Regional		
5/21/19	SA	Hearing Conservation	8:00 - 9:00 am
5/04/40	South Monmouth Regional		0.45 40.45
5/21/19	SA SA	Fire Extinguisher	9:15 - 10:15 am
5/21/19	Deptford Township MUA	CMVO	8:00 - 12:00 pm
5/21/19	City of Brigantine #3	CSE Training for Permit Required Spaces	8:30 - 12:30 pm
5/22/19	Borough of Eatontown #2	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	8:30 - 10:30 am
5/22/19	Borough of Eatontown #2	Confined Space Awareness	10:45 - 11:45 am
5/29/19	Western Monmouth UA	Jetter/Vacuum Safety	8:00 - 10:00 am
		Employee Conduct/Violence	
5/29/19	Western Monmouth UA	Prevention	10:15 - 11:45 am
5/29/19	Township of Burlington #3	LOTO	8:00 - 10:00 am
			8:30 - 3:00 pm
5/29/19	City of Pleasantville #1	DDC-6	w/lunch brk
5/30/19	Township of Jackson #2	Seasonal (Summer) Employee Orientation - Evening	6:30 - 10:30 pm
5/31/19	Township of Bordentown	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
6/3/19	Township of Stafford #5	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
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6/3/19	Township of Florence	Heavy Equipment Safety	8:00 - 11:00 am
6/3/19	Township of Florence	Back Safety/Material Handling	11:15 - 12:15 pm
6/4/19	City of Ocean City #1	Playground Safety Inspections	8:30 - 10:30 am
6/4/19	City of Ocean City #1	LOTO	10:45 - 12:45 pm
6/5/19	Evesham Township MUA	LOTO	8:30 - 10:30 am
6/5/19	Evesham Township MUA	Hearing Conservation	10:45 - 11:45 am
6/5/19	City of Vineland	LOTO	9:00 - 11:00 am
6/6/19	Jackson Township MUA	HazMat Awareness w/HazCom GHS	8:00 - 11:00 am
6/6/19	Jackson Township MUA	Hearing Conservation	11:15 - 12:15 pm
6/6/19	Township of Tabernacle #1	Fire Extinguisher	8:30 - 9:30 am
6/6/19	Township of Tabernacle #1	Asbestos, Lead, Silica Overview	9:45 - 10:45 am
	•	Hazard ID: Making Your Observation	
6/7/19	Township of Middletown #5	Count	8:00 - 10:00 am
6/7/19	Borough of Clementon #3	Playground Safety Inspections	8:30 - 10:30 am
6/10/19	Borough of Magnolia	Sanitation/Recycling Safety	8:00 - 10:00 am
		Employee Conduct/Violence	
6/10/19	Borough of Magnolia	Prevention	10:15 - 11:45 am
6/10/10	Township of Homilton #5	DDC-6	8:30 - 3:00 pm
6/10/19	Township of Hamilton #5		w/lunch brk
6/11/19	Borough of Clementon #3	Flagger/Work Zone Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
6/12/19	Ocean County College #8	Fall Protection Awareness	8:00 - 10:00 am
6/12/19	Ocean County College #8	LOTO	<u>10:15 - 12:15 pm</u>
6/12/19	Ocean County College #8	Confined Space Awareness	1:00 - 2:00 pm
6/12/19	Borough of Pitman	Flagger/Work Zone Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm
6/13/19	Township of Middletown SA	Excavation/Trenching/Shoring	8:30 - 12:30 pm
6/13/19	Township of Willingboro	Jetter/Vacuum Safety	8:00 - 10:00 am
6/13/19	Township of Willingboro	Shop & Tool Safety	10:15 - 11:15 am
6/13/19	City of Millville #1	Fast Track to Safety	8:30 - 12:30 pm 8:30 - 3:00 pm
6/14/19	Borough of Collingwood	DDC-6	w/lunch brk
6/18/19	Borough of Lavallette #1	Sanitation/Recycling Safety	8:30 - 10:30 am
0/10/10	Boroagii of Eavanotto #1	CSE Training for Permit Required	0.00 10.00 am
6/18/19	Deptford Township MUA	Spaces	8:00 - 12:00 pm
		Seasonal (Summer) Employee	•
6/18/19	Borough of Avalon #4	Orientation	8:30 - 12:30 pm
6/19/19	Borough of Eatontown #2	LOTO	8:00 - 10:00 am
6/19/19	Borough of Eatontown #2	PPE	10:15 - 12:15 pm
0/40/40	Township of Developments	Hazard ID: Making Your Observation	0.00 40.00
6/19/19	Township of Pemberton	Count	8:30 - 10:30 am
6/19/19	Township of Pemberton	Shift Briefing Essentials	10:45 - 12:15 pm
6/20/19	City of Burlington #2	Fall Protection Awareness	8:30 - 10:30 am
6/20/19	City of Burlington #2	PPE	10:45 - 12:45 pm
6/20/19	City of Vineland	LOTO	9:00 - 11:00 am
6/21/19	Borough of Tinton Falls	Heavy Equipment Safety	7:30 - 10:30 am
6/24/19	Township of Middletown #5	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	8:30 - 10:30 am
6/24/19	Township of Middletown #5	Driving Safety Awareness	10:45 - 12:15 pm
6/25/19	Township of Florence	HazMat Awareness w/HazCom GHS	8:30 - 11:30 am
6/26/19	Township of West Deptford	Seasonal (Summer) Employee Orientation	11:30 - 3:30 pm

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6/26/19	City of Pleasantville #1	Playground Safety Inspection	8:30 - 10:30 am
		Employee Conduct/Violence	
6/26/19	City of Pleasantville #1	Prevention	10:45 - 12:15 pm
		Seasonal (Summer) Employee	
6/27/19	City of Ocean City #1	Orientation	8:30 - 12:30 pm
6/28/19	City of Bordentown	CDL-Drivers Safety Regulations	1:30 - 3:30 pm

CELUs for Corti	fied Public	s Works Managers	
MSI Course		MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.
Accident Investigation	2/M	Hazardous Materials Awareness w/ HazCom & GHS	3/T
Advanced Safety Leadership	10/M	Hazard Identification - Making Your Observations Count	1/T,M
Asbestos, Lead & Silica Industrial Health Overview	1/T,G	Hearing Conservation	1/T,G
Back Safety / Material Handling	1/T	Heavy Equipment Safety	1/G-2/T
Bloodborne Pathogens Training	1/G	Hoists, Cranes and Rigging	2/T
Bloodborne Pathogens Administrator Training	1/T,M	Housing Authority Safety Awareness	3/T
BOE Safety Awareness	3/T	Jetter Safety	2/T
CDL – Supervisors Reasonable Suspicion	2/M	Landscape Safety	2/T
CDL - Drivers' Safety Regulations	2/G	Leaf Collection Safety Awareness	2/T
Coaching the Maintenance Vehicle Operator	2 / T,M	Lockout Tagout	2/T
Confined Space Entry – Permit Required	3.5 / T	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	2/T
Confined Space Awareness	1 / T,G	Playground Safety Inspections	2/T
Driving Safety Awareness	1.5/T	Sanitation and Recycling Safety	2/T
Employee Conduct and Violence in the Work Place	1.5/E	Safety Committee Best Practices	1.5 / M
Excavation Trenching & Shoring	2 / T,M	Safety Coordinator's Skills Training	3 / M,G
Fall Protection Awareness	2 / T,M	Shop and Tool Safety	1/T
Fast Track to Safety	4/T	Seasonal Public Works Operations	3/T
Fire Extinguisher	1/T	Snow Plow Safety	2/T
Fire Safety	.5/ T5/ G	Special Events Management	2/M
Flagger / Workzone Safety	2 / T,M	Shift Briefing Essentials	1/M
HazCom with Globally Harmonized System	1 / T,G		
CEU's for R	egistered I	Municipal Clerks	
MSI Course		MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.
Asbestos, Lead & Silica Industrial Health Overview	1/P	Hazard Identification - Making your Observations Count	2/P
Bloodborne Pathogens Training	1/P	Safety Committee Best Practices	1.5/P
Employee Conduct and Violence in the Work Place	1.5/E	Safety Coordinator's Skills Training	6/P
		Special Event Management	2/P
		Wastewater	
MSI Course		MSI Course	TCH's/Cat.
Accident Investigation	1.5/S	Hazardous Materials Awareness w/ HazCom & GHS	3/S
Advanced Safety Leadership	10/S	Heavy Equipment Safety	3/S
Asbestos, Lead & Silica Industrial Health Overview	1/S	Housing Authority Safety Awareness	3/S
Back Safety / Material Handling	1/S	Hazard Identification - Making your Observations Count	1.5/S
Bloodborne Pathogens Training	1/S	Hearing Conservation	1/S
Bloodborne Pathogens Administrator Training	2 / Non S	Hoists, Cranes and Rigging	2/S
BOE Safety Awareness	3/S	Jetter Safety	2/S
CDL – Supervisors Reasonable Suspicion	1.5/S	Ladder Safety/Walking Working Surfaces	2/S
CDL - Drivers' Safety Regulations	2/S	Landscape Safety	2/S
Confined Space Awareness	1 /S	Leaf Collection Safety Awareness	2/S
Confined Space Entry - Permit Required	3.5/S	Lockout Tagout	2/S
Defensive Driving-6-Hour	5.5/S	Shop and Tool Safety	1/S
Driving Safety Awareness	1.5/S	Office Safety	2/S
Employee Conduct and Violence in the Work Place	1.5 / Non S	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	2/S
Excavation Trenching & Shoring	4/S	Safety Committee Best Practices	1.5/S
Fall Protection Awareness	2/S	Safety Coordinator's Skills Training	5 / Non S
Fast Track to Safety	4/S	Seasonal Public Works Operations	3/S
Fire Extinguisher	1/S	Shift Briefing Essentials	1.5/S
Fire Safety	1/S	Snow Plow Safety	2/S
Ragger / Workzone Safety	2/S	Special Event Management	2/S
HazCom with Globally Harmonized System	1.5/S		
CEU's for Tax Collectors		CEU's for County/Municipal Finance Of	ficers
MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.	MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.
Employee Conduct and Violence in the Work Place	1.5/E	Employee Conduct and Violence in the Work Place	1.5 / E
CEU's for Certified Recycling Profess	1	CEU's for Qualified Purchasing Age	
MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.	MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.
Fire Extinguisher Safety	1 / CRP	Employee Conduct and Violence in the Work Place	1.5/E
Hazard Recognition- Making your Observations Count	2 / CRP		
Heavy Equipment	3 / CRP		
Sanitation and Recycling Safety	2 / CRP		
CEU's for Park and Rec Profession	nals		
MSI Course	CEU's/Cat.		
Playground Safety Inspections (CEUs for all Park and			
Rec Professionals)	.2		
***Categories		***Categories(cont.)	
E - Ethics		Non S - Non Safety (Management)	
T - Technical		P - Professional Development	1
G - Governmental		M - Management	
S - Safety / Non S - Non Safety		CRP - Certified Recycling Professional Classroom CEU	

# LESSONS LEARNED FROM LOSSES MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – APRIL, 2019 <u>THE IMPORTANCE OF</u> <u>INSPECTIONS</u>



PLEASE SEE: NJMEL.ORG > MEL SAFETY INSTITUTE > SAFETY BRIEFINGS > GENERAL > ROAD/SIGN/WALKWAY PROGRAM

In order to ensure that observations are reported, corrected and documented, please consider the following suggestions;

- A system of regular inspections and observations
- Training for employees to identify potential hazards
- Procedures for employees and citizens to report potential hazards
- Procedures to log all reports and record corrective actions
- Procedures to notify other entities/authorities of conditions and/or incidents that require attention\
- Procedures to investigate incidents and accidents

Example: Claimant leaving a friend's house tripped and fell in the street in a "rutted, cracked and depressed" condition of the roadway. The claimant sustained a fractured humerus which required surgical repair. The demand was \$250,000 and in arbitration the insured was found to be 100% liable and the claimant was awarded \$196,000. A Motion for Summary Judgment was filed, Oral Arguments followed and the presiding Judge found no actual or constructive notice of a dangerous condition existing. Also, the action or inaction of the Township could not reasonably be found to be "palpably unreasonable". These findings were largely due to the Township's actions relative to road review and pothole maintenance. It was well documented that this Township does an excellent job of reviewing their roads, including an annual evaluation that involves their DPW and an engineer. They complete regular rounds of pothole maintenance and document the process.



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## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND WELLNESS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

TO:	Municipal Fund Commissioners, Safety Coordinators, and Risk Managers
FROM:	Debby Schiffer, JIF Wellness Director
DATE:	April 17, 2019 at Café Madison in Riverside
Contact Information:	debby_schiffer@targetingwellness.com 856-322-1220

## APRIL ACTIVITY & PLANNED EVENTS

Beverly City – looking into the EAP program through Cooper Health.

**Bordentown City** – working on setting up a skin health presentation through Burlington County Health Dept.

**Chesterfield – l**unch and learn on Sedentary Lifestyle. Future topic of interest for L&L is on Handling Diversities.

**Delanco** – Lunch and learn on 10 Keys to Healthy Living. Launching new challenge called "Making a change, Makes a change". Encourage employees to choose something they would like to change for improving their well-being. Asked to talk a selfie of themselves actually achieving it to be posted on an "Inspiration Board" so all can help each other reach their goal!

**Delran** – planning on providing fruit and healthy snacks for departments. Looking to offer Meditation sessions for those interested in learning how and why meditation is good for overall health improvements!

**Edgewater Park** – setting up stress management workshop on releasing stress through chair massage. Also will offer the Healthy Lifestyle challenge with a twist – participants in Week 1-5 have a chance at a prize. Participants week 6-10 have another chance at a prize. End of challenge prize for all involved. Purchasing bottled water and healthy snacks during one of the challenge weeks.

**Florence** – April "Powers" where every day there is a type of Hallway Exercise that can be done. For instance, Move-it Mondays with side squats. Way to motivate employees to move especially during the 3pm slump! Also have the year long "Are you a Maintainer or Loser" challenge. Sleep Deprivation presentation for the Police through JAM

**Hainesport** – continuing with their monthly Healthy Snack where employees sign up to bring in a healthy snack to share. Planning for an April Step Challenge. Details to follow.

**Mansfield** – Setting up EMT to offer blood pressure screenings in the office for employees. Starting the Healthy Lifestyle Challenge!

**Southampton** – Employees are meeting at 10am to do a 10-minute exercise together. Simple yet effective to build camaraderie as well as strength (mind and body).

## April Wellness Connection Newsletter

Reducing the effects of stress on the body and mind can occur with small changes in ones approach to life and ones view of stress. In honor of *National Stress Awareness Month*, the attached Wellness Corner Connection Newsletter highlights some of these small changes that can have a big impact.

- · Know the signs of stress and ways to cope
- Manage stress through what we eat and how we sleep
- · Find out the benefits of meditation and why we should all at least try it
- Highlighting some of the wellness and safety issues of springtime: poison ivy, sun safety and hydration
- Spring into action and take a walk helps deal with stress plus other proven reasons why we should (First Wednesday in April is National Walking Day!)

This months recipe is for Cilantro Lime Chicken with Avocado Salsa.

Also in honor of Stress Awareness Month, I created a calendar reminding you of a technique to try every day to cope with stress. And a simple poster to remind everyone to get moving this month!

Please share this with your employees; print them out and post them for all to see.

## Reminder of some simple ideas for possible use of your wellness funds:

- · Fresh fruit and healthy snacks for departments
- Team building fun
- Salad bar or Pot Luck lunches with interaction and recipe swaps
- Start a lunch time walking club
- · Educate on safe and easy office stretches
- Wellness Bulletin Board/Posters
- Offer infused water to encourage hydration
- · Sunscreen and sun protection kit with handouts
- "Community" puzzle
- BP screenings
- EAP program reminder

Also, please remember the Wellness Policy. It's an outward sign of your Town's continued support of Employee Wellness. Thank you!





## Burlington County Municipal JIF Managed Care Summary Report 2019

Intake	March-19	March-18	2019 March YTD	2018 March YTD
# of New Claims Reported	15	24	50	61
# of Report Only	2	10	14	19
% Report Only	13.3%	41.7%	28.0%	31.1%
# of Medical Only	12	11	28	29
# of Lost Time	1	3	8	13
Medical Only to Lost Time Ratio	92:08	79:21	78:22	69:31
Average # of Days to Report a Claim	1.1	2.9	1.4	4.4

Nurse Case Management	March-19	March-18
# of Cases Assigned to Case Management	15	21
# of Cases >90 days	8	10

Savings	March-19	March-18	2019 March YTD	2018 March YTD
Bill Count	165	158	565	401
Provider Charges	\$212,673	\$366,956	\$825,341	\$581,662
Repriced Amount	\$73,250	\$177,838	\$295,543	\$290,978
Savings \$	\$139,423	\$189,118	\$529,799	\$290,685
% Savings	65.6%	51.5%	64.2%	50.0%

Participating Provider Penetration Rate	March-19	March-18	2019 March YTD	2018 March YTD
Bill Count	93.9%	89.2%	96.8%	91.5%
Provider Charges	93.6%	94.7%	96.9%	94.6%

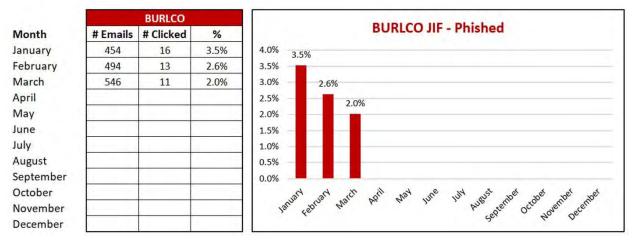
Exclusive Provider Panel Penetration Rate	March-19	March-18	2019 March YTD	2018 March YTD
Bill Count	98.5%	78.9%	96.4%	77.4%
Provider Charges	98.2%	92.2%	99.2%	85.1%

Transitional Duty Summary	2	2019 March YTD	2018 March YTD
% of Transitional Duty Days Worked		44.9%	50.2%
% of Transitional Duty Days Not Accommodated		55.1%	49.8%

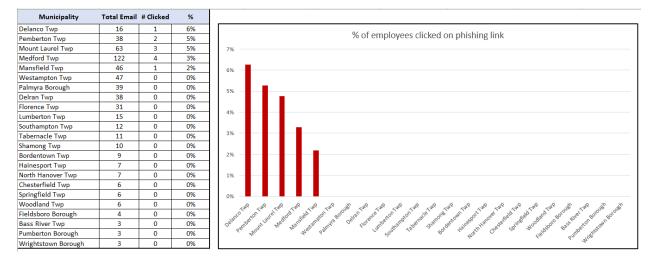
# **Technology Risk Management Services**

## Email phishing campaign:

The BURLCO JIF continues to demonstrate improvement over the first quarter as demonstrated in the graph below.



## March summary phishing data



## Email for MediaPro training & IP addresses for vulnerability assessment

Status on required emails for cyber security training and IPs required for the vulnerability assessment will be provided verbally in an effort to report with the most current data.

## Site Visits

The Technology Risk Service Director is reaching out to municipalities to schedule site visits to review their current compliance against the MEL's Minimal Technology Proficiency Standards (MTPS) and provide guidance and assistance in an effort to meet the MTPS requirements.

April 6, 2019

To the Members of the Executive Board of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

I have enclosed for your review and, in some cases consideration, documents of presentation relating to claims, transfers, and the financial condition of the Fund.

The statements included in this report are prepared on a "modified cash basis" and relate to financial activity through the one month period ending March 31, 2019 for Closed Fund Years 1991 to 2014, and Fund Years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019. The reports, where required, are presented in a manner prescribed or permitted by the Department of Insurance and the Division of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs.

All statements contained in this report are subject to adjustment by annual audit.

A summary of the contents of these statements is presented below.

## **INVESTMENT INTEREST & INVESTMENTS:**

Interest received or accrued for the reporting period totaled \$ 26,944.68. This generated an average annual yield of 1.69%. However, after including an unrealized net gain of \$ 21,471.88 in the asset portfolio, the yield is adjusted to 3.03% for this period. The total overview of the asset portfolio for the fund shows an overall unrealized loss of \$78,593.59 as it relates to current market value of \$ 16,946,314.56 vs. the amount we have invested. This current market value, however, when considering the total accrued income at month end is \$17,018,269.56.

Our asset portfolio with Wilmington/Trust consists of 2 obligations with maturities greater than one year and 8 obligations with maturities less than one year.

#### RECEIPT ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD

Subrogation Receipts \$ 4,783.95 w/YTD Total \$ 14,986.99 (detailed in my report) Salvage Receipts \$ 300.00 Overpayment Reimbursements \$ 0.00 FY 2019 Premium Assessments \$ 194,660.00

#### LOSS RUN PAYMENT REGISTER ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD: (Action Item)

The enclosed report shows net claim activity during the reporting period for claims paid by the fund and claims payable by the Fund at period end in the amount of \$ 185,793.14. The claims detail shows 269 claim payments issued.

#### A.E.L.C.F. PARTICIPANT BALANCES AT PERIOD END: (\$383. Interest Allocated)

Delran Township	\$66,208.00
Chesterfield Township	\$ 1,085.00
Bordentown City	\$53,014.00
Bordentown Township	\$27,936.00
Westampton Township	\$10,162.00
E-JIF 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2019	\$39,974.25

#### CASH ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD:

The enclosed reconciliation report details that during the reporting period the Fund's "Cash Position" changed from an opening balance of \$ 19,205,118.81 to a closing balance of \$ 19,156,364.21 showing a decrease in the fund of \$ 48,754.60. A detailed reconciliation of this change, including its affect on our banking instruments, is included in my report.

#### BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD: (Action Item)

Vouchers to be submitted for your consideration at the scheduled meeting show on the accompanying bill list at the end of my report.

The information contained in this cover report is a summary of key elements related to activity during the reporting period. Other detailed information is contained in the attached documents and, if desired, a more specific explanation on any question can be obtained by contacting me at 609-744-3597.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas J. Tontarski Treasurer

#### BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

#### BILL LIST - APRIL 2019

	Payee	FY 2019	FY 2018	Clsd Yrs	JIF Appropriation	Description
1	Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc.	29,661.00			Prof Services/Administration	April 2019 Fee (2019 rate)
2	Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc.	184.38			Misc/Postage/Copies/Faxes	March 2019 postage/copies expenses
3	The DeWeese Law Firm, P.C.	5,833.00			Prof Services/Attorney	April 2019 Fees
4	Qual-Lynx	16,742.00			Prof Services/Claims Admin.	April 2019 Fees
5	Joyce Media	386.50			Misc/JIF Website	April 2019/domain (jifmemberforum.org) renewal sp
6	Kris Kristie	375.00			Misc/Recording Secretary	April 2019 Fees
7	J. A. Montgomery Risk Control Services	10,945.00			Prof Services/Safety Director	April 2019 Fees
8	J. A. Montgomery Risk Control Services		19,707.27		Training/Right to Know	2018 RTK inventory/labeling
9	Secure Data Consulting Services, LLC	3,713.00			Prof Services/Technology Risk Serv Dir	April 2019 Fees
10	Tom Tontarski	930.00			Prof Services/Treasurer	April 2019 Fees
11	Conner Strong & Buckelew	659.00			Prof Services/Underwriting Mgr	April 2019 Fees
12	Debby Schiffer	2,494.00			Wellness Program	April 2019 Fees
13	Apex Insurance Services c/o QBE Insurance	5,558.50			EPL/POL Policy - Excess Insurance	VDO Coverage; P#QVC01005-03; 1/1/19-1/1/20; Inv#2nd installment
14	Apex Insurance Services c/o QBE Insurance	279,768.00			EPL/POL Policy - Excess Insurance	EPL/POL Coverage; P#QJC01005-03; 1/1/19- 1/1/20; Inv#4498804; 2nd installment
15	Apex Insurance Services c/o XL Insurance	11,255.50			EPL/POL Policy - Excess Insurance	Cyber Coverage; P#MTP0039483-06; 1/1/19- 1/1/20; Inv#2nd installlment
16	Apex Insurance Services c/o Beazley	5,589.00			EPL/POL Policy - Excess Insurance	Excess Cyber Coverage; P#W1E255180301; 1/1/19- 1/1/20; Inv#4503387; 2nd installment
17	AGRiP	1,885.83			Misc/AGRIP/PRIMA	Annual renewal; ID#1216; 5/1/19-4/30/20
18	ARC Reprographics	144.54			Misc/Printing	Inv#274914 EO 3/21/19 training HO
	Iron Mountain	87.02			Misc/Record Retention Service	Inv#ANKW120 Storage 4/1-30/19; Service 2/27- 3/26/19; plus new storage box
20	O'Connors American Bar & Grille	1,066.50			Training/Training	3/21/19 Elected Officials training F/B-split
21	Pivot Point Security	1,842.83			EPL/CYBER/Technology Risk Management Services	Inv#4172; April 2019
22	Lumberton Township		2,775.00		Safety Incentive Program	Direct check for SIP
23	Mt. Laurel Township		2,850.00		Safety Incentive Program	Direct check for SIP
24	Palmyra Borough			7,085.00	Closed Years-Return of Surplus	Dividend -full check (missed)
25	CBIZ Benefits & Insurance	11,529.00			Risk Management Consultants	1st installment- Bordentown Twp
26	Hardenbergh Insurance	9,655.00			Risk Management Consultants	1st installment (Feb-June) Medford
	TOTAL	\$400,304.60	\$25,332.27	\$7,085.00		

JIF Bill List Total \$432,721.87



## Strategic Planning Committee Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 2:00pm Medford Township Police Building Medford, NJ

A meeting of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund's Strategic Planning Committee was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 2:00pm in Medford Township Police Building, Medford, NJ. The meeting began at 2:01 PM.

Those in attendance were:

Kathy Burger, Chair, **Medford Township** Mike Theokas, **Bordentown Township** Dave Matchett, **Shamong Township** Doug Cramer, **Tabernacle Township** Paul J. Miola, Executive Municipal JIF Strategist, **Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Svcs.** Sheila Ortiz, Account Representative, **Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Svcs.** 

#### Unable to attend:

Glenn McMahon, **Chesterfield Township** Brandon Umba, **Lumberton Township** Paul Forlenza, Executive Director, **Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Svcs.** 

These minutes may not represent the order in which some items were discussed.

#### I. Committee Charters – e-mailed – February 26, 2019

Mr. Miola referred the Committee members to a copy of the Strategic Planning Committee Charter included in the agenda packet. He noted that his office places the Committee's Charter on the first agenda of the year for the Committee's review to ensure that the roles and responsibilities of the Committee as outlined in the Charter are accurate.

He then asked the members if they had any suggested changes to the Charter. The Committee had no suggested changes.

#### II. 2020 Membership Renewals

Mr. Miola referred the Committee go page three (3) of the agenda packet depicting the eight (8) renewing members Six Year Average Loss Ratio (2012-2017) valued as of December 31, 2018.

Mr. Theokas asked for an explanation on how the loss ratio report is read. Mr. Miola explained that if you take a look at the "pure loss ratio"; for example Bordentown Township's Pure Loss Ratio is 95.9%. Which means for every dollar the Township contributes to loss funds the JIF incurs 95.9 cents in claims. He noted that the Fund will review each town on a year by year basis. Mr. Miola commented that this procedure helps identify those claims that push the individual town over the 100% loss ratio which will be reflected in your assessment.

#### Renewal realignment

Mr. Miola reminded the Committee that over the past few years his office has been working on realigning the renewal dates of some of the members. He indicated that his office is attempting to

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balance out the number of members and the amount of premium that renews every three (3) years. Mr. Miola mentioned that his office will ask Bordentown Township, Delran Township and Riverside Township to renew in 2020 to allow the Fund to even out the amount of assessments renewing each year.

#### Membership Visitation Program

Mr. Miola noted that the *Membership Visitation Program* has been in place for several years. He indicated that between Mr. Forlenza and himself they attempt to visit each of the renewing members. Mr. Miola asked the Committee if they would like him to continue to offer visits to all renewing members and target those towns that have issues with loss ratio and/or poor commitments. The Committee asked Mr. Miola to offer a visit to all member towns and visit those towns that have issues.

#### **Membership Updates**

Mr. Miola indicated that it has been his office's practice that those members that are not up for renewal will receive their "membership snapshots" later in the summer/fall.

#### III. Membership Growth

Mr. Miola stated that Hardenbergh Insurance mentioned to him that they were working with New Hanover to see if they will make application with the JIF. He will keep this Committee informed on the outcome.

#### IV. 2019 Conferences

Mr. Miola stated that the PRIMA Conference for 2019 will be held in Orlando, Florida on June 9-12, 2019. Mr. Matchett is registered for the conference.

Mr. Miola stated that in December e-mail correspondence was sent to members, with first priority to attend, the two (2) AGRiP conferences this year. He noted that there were no attendees for the Spring conference that was held on March 3-6, 2019 in St. Louis, MO.

The AGRiP Fall conference will be held on October 6 - 9, 2019 in Cleveland, Ohio. Currently, there are no registrants for this conference.

Mr. Theokas asked Mr. Miola to explain what the conferences are about. Mr. Miola gave a brief description of PRIMA and AGRiP and described the conference offerings.

#### V. Membership – Professional Organizations

Mr. Miola stated that the Fund will be renewing membership with PRIMA this month and AGRIP will be renewed in April. He noted that membership provides a great deal of information, such as having access to PRIMA-Talk and their websites. The Committee agreed with renewing these memberships.

#### VI. Fund Commissioner Orientation

Mr. Miola noted that the Fund Commissioner Orientation will be held on May 21, 2019 in Hainesport, NJ prior to the JIF Executive Committee Meeting. He stated that the format would be the same as last year.

Mr. Miola stated that there will be a "JIF 101" PowerPoint Presentation and then review the May Agenda Packet so the Fund Commissioners will become familiar with the discussions/decisions that take place during the monthly Executive Committee Meetings.

#### VII. Fund Commissioner Attendance

Mr. Miola referred the Committee to the 2018 Executive Committee Meeting attendance report included in the agenda packet. The Committee briefly reviewed the attendance of each member against the Funds' recommended attendance guidelines of 75% overall attendance with 50% attendance by the Fund Commissioner. He also reviewed a table prepared by the Safety Director's office that displayed the 2018 Optional Safety Incentive Program Monies earned by members for achieving additional incentive levels. The Committee pointed out discrepancies with two (2) member towns that are listed as receiving additional funds for attending subcommittee meetings when, in fact, they had attended none. Ms. Burger noted that Southampton Township and Woodland Township did not volunteer to be placed on a sub-committee nor were they placed on a sub-committee; therefore, they are not entitled to receive the incentive funds. The Committee agreed with Ms. Burger. Mr. Miola stated that he will reach out to the Safety Director's office in this regard and will follow-up with this Committee. Discussion ensued.

After a lengthy discussion, the Committee asked the Executive Director's office to revamp the attendance letters to include the new SIP program guidelines and advise the towns what they could be missing if they do not participate. Mr. Miola stated that he will re-vamp the attendance letter and will reach out to the Safety Director's office regarding the 2018 Optional Safety Incentive Program participation table. Ms. Burger also asked for clarification regarding attendance at the Annual Planning Retreat. She asked whether attendance is required for a full day or a half day to receive the additional Optional Safety Incentive Award. Mr. Miola stated that he will also follow-up this regard.

NOTE: Mr. Miola followed up with the Safety Director to clarify the Retreat attendance criteria. In order to qualify for the Base SIP Program, members must attend at least one-half day of the annual Retreat. To qualify for additional incentive money, members must attend the full day program.

#### VIII. Elected Officials Training

Mr. Miola mentioned to the Committee that the last "in person" Elected Officials Training session will be held on March 21, 2019 at O'Conners. Mr. Miola mentioned that the sign in sheets from the previous training as well as the *League of Municipalities* sessions are available on the JIF website.

Mr. Miola noted that there will be a generic Elected Officials Training Program available from the MEL. As has been the Fund's past practice when notified of an online training, he is recommending that the notice of this training be sent out after the March 21<sup>st</sup> session to avoid those who have registered for this event not attending the training and the Fund being forced to pay for non-attendees. The Committee agreed.

#### IX. MEL EPL Plan of Risk Management

This discussion took place later in the agenda.

#### X. Land Use Liability Risk Management Program

Mr. Miola mentioned that the program is in its final stages of development and will be announced either in late spring or early summer.

#### XI. EPL/ Cyber Risk Management Program

Mr. Miola noted that the EPL/Cyber Risk Management Program will be reissued in April. He noted that per member allocation will be \$500.

#### XII. MEL Helpline

Mr. Miola referred the Committee the new *MEL Employment Practices Helpline* handout. He noted that the announcement was released last night and did not make today's agenda packet. Mr. Miola indicated that David DeWeese is now listed as a contact person for the MEL EPL Helpline. If he is unable to assist he will provide direction to the member on where to get appropriate assistance.

Mr. Miola indicated that the *MEL Employment Practices Helpline* contact information will be placed in each month's Executive Committee Meeting agenda packet as a reference.

#### XIII. JIF Website

Mr. Miola reported that the newly designed BURLCO JIF website (BURLCOJIF.ORG was released on February 20, 2019. He noted that his office has received very good feedback since the release and welcomes suggestions to enhance the website.

#### XIV. Technology Risk Management

#### Media Pro

Mr. Miola referred the Committee to a list of BURLCO JIF members that displays their use of the Media Pro on-line cyber training course. He noted that one (1) member has not responded to his requests for employee e-mail addresses so that they can be assigned training. According to the latest report, 1,122 employees have enrolled with 289 course completions.

Mr. Theokas asked who he should contact if employees are not able to log on to Media Pro. Mr. Miola asked him to contact Megan Matro from his office as she can simply send a link to correct the issue.

#### **Pivot Point**

Mr. Miola mentioned that Pivot Point conducts intrusion testing for the JIF. His office asked for members' IP addresses on November 27, 2018. Currently three (3) members have not submitted their information and he is following up with them.

Mr. Miola reported on the following phishing statistics:

- January 454 emails were sent and there were 16 clicks at 3.5%
- February 494 emails were sent and there were 13 clicks at 2.6%

He noted that these results are excellent!

#### **Cyber Liability Polices**

Mr. Miola indicated that the *Incident Response Plan* and the *Technology Practices Policy* has been developed and will be released to the members. He commented that a 10 minute webinar will be available to will walk members through the policy.

#### MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan

Mr. Miola stated that the *MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan* was emailed to all Members & RMCs on December 18, 2017. He then briefly reviewed the Program Components with the Committee as follows:

Program Compliance:

- Technical Competency Tier 1 & Tier 2 Compliance
- Sound Cyber Hygiene Tier 1 & Tier 2 Compliance
- Technology Management Tier 1 & Tier 1 Compliance

Members in Compliance:

- Tier 1 \$5,000 Reimbursement of Deductible
- Tier 2 \$7,500

Mr. Miola noted that member compliance with the standards is very poor making them more vulnerable to cyber-attacks.

#### XV. Technology Risk Services Director

Mr. Miola referred the Committee to the announcement for the *Technology Risk Services Director*, Lou Romero. Mr. Miola reviewed Mr. Romero's *Scope of Services* with the Committee and emphasized that Mr. Romero's first order of business will be to help members come into compliance with the MEL Cyber Risk Management Plan.

Mr. Miola stated that Mr. Romero will meet with Mr. Forlenza and himself on a monthly basis to monitor his activities and progress to date.

#### XVI. 2018 Cyber Liability Coverage

Mr. Miola referred to a memorandum released from his office on January 15, 2019 that announced the JIF Cyber Training and Technology Polices. Attached to that memorandum was MEL Cyber Task Force Bulletin #1 that highlighted recent cyber-attacks on members around the state.

Mr. Miola noted that the increasing number of claims against MEL members will surely result in higher premiums and deductibles with our 2020 renewal. He explained that is why it is so important that our members train their employees on cyber-hygiene and that we adopt policies and procedures designed to thwart cyber-attacks.

Mr. Matchett asked how Police Departments can prevent their systems from being compromised. Mr. Miola mentioned that intrusion testing will help minimize the Police Departments from being hacked. Ms. Burger indicated that in Medford Township is currently enrolled in "New World". She noted that "New World" has certain criteria that must be met. One of the requirements is that Medford Township had to acquire a public Wi-Fi address for the building separate from the police. Mr. Miola stated that he wants to look into "New World" further as it may help other towns.

#### XVII. Executive Committee Meeting Times & Locations

Mr. Miola referred the Committee to a copy of the proposed 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Schedule. He asked the Committee if they would like to continue to hold the monthly Executive Committee meeting at the Hainesport Municipal Building on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 3:30 pm. The Committee agreed.

Ms. Ortiz noted that the November meeting will have to be re-advertised from November 19<sup>th</sup> to November 26<sup>th</sup> due to a conflict with the League of Municipalities convention. Mr. Miola asked the Committee for authorization to re-advertise the November meeting. The Committee gave the Executive Director's office authority to re-advertise the November meeting.

#### XVIII.December Dinner Meeting

Mr. Miola noted that the 2018 December Dinner Meeting was held at O'Connors in Eastampton, NJ. Only seven members from seven towns attended. He indicated that the 2019 December Dinner Meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2019. Mr. Miola asked the Committee why attendance was so low; perhaps time of year? Mr. Matchett suggested sending out a Survey Monkey to the members regarding the December Dinner. The Committee agreed with Mr. Matchett. The Committee also discussed if it would be more beneficial to hold the Executive Committee Meeting at the same location as the Dinner Meeting. Ms. Burger commented that there were more attendees two (2) years ago when the meeting was held at Medford Village Country Club followed by the December Dinner Meeting. Her suggestion would be to use the Medford Village Country Club again. Discussion ensued.

Following a brief discussion, Mr. Miola stated that he will ask Megan Matro from his office to generate a Survey Monkey and send to the members. The Survey Monkey will include questions such as; location, meeting night discrepancy and/ or time of year, etc. Mr. Miola will keep this Committee updated on the outcome.

#### XIX. Annual Reports

Mr. Miola stated that 215 copies of the Annual Report were printed in 2018, which cost the fund \$1,873. He asked the Committee if they are comfortable ordering the same amount of copies for the 2019 Annual Report. The Committee authorized this expenditure.

#### XX. JIF Records Retention

Mr. Miola mentioned that with Mr. Forlenza's continued efforts the JIFs are now recognized in the Artemis System. He noted that details will be forthcoming.

#### XXI. Annual Planning Retreat

Mr. Miola reminded the Committee that the BURLCO JIF Annual Planning Retreat is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at Café Madison, Riverside, NJ. He referred the Committee to a "draft" agenda on pages 20-21 of the agenda packet. Mr. Miola reviewed each section of the agenda explaining topics to be discussed, issues to be explored, and who would be presenting the material.

Mr. Miola asked the Committee if they are okay with the "draft" agenda as presented today. The Committee approved the Retreat Agenda.

#### XXII. Next Meeting

Mr. Miola indicated that the next meeting is scheduled for July 16, 2019 @ 2:00pm in Hainesport.

The meeting concluded at 2:50 pm.

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## EXECUTIVE SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday, March 19, 2019 Hainesport Municipal Building Hainesport, NJ

An Executive Safety Committee meeting of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund ("BURLCO JIF") was held at the Hainesport Municipal Building, Hainesport, NJ on Tuesday, March 19. 2019. The meeting was called to order at 1:31 PM.

Those in attendance were:

Doug Cramer, Chair, Tabernacle Township Amanda Somes, Bass River Township Richard Wolbert, Beverly City Grace Archer, Bordentown City Paula Kosko, Hainesport Township Mike Fitzpatrick, Mansfield Township Steve Ent, Westampton Township James Ingling, Wrightstown Borough Steve Walsh, EJA/Capacity Insurance Joe Henry, Hardenbergh Insurance Katie Osborne, Conner Strong & Buckelew Keith Hummell, Public Entity Assistant Director, J. A. Montgomery Risk Control Rob Garish, Consultant, J. A. Montgomery Risk Control Paul A. Forlenza, Executive Director, Arthur J. Gallagher Paul J. Miola, Executive Municipal JIF Strategist, Arthur J. Gallagher Sheila Ortiz, Account Representative, Arthur J. Gallagher Debby Schiffer, Wellness Director

Those not in attendance were:

Mike Templeton, **Delanco Township** Tom Pullion, **Edgewater Park Township** Patrice Hansell, **Fieldsboro Borough** Mary Picariello, **North Hanover Township** John Gural, **Palmyra Borough** John Saville, Lead Consultant, **J. A. Montgomery Risk Control** 

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Mr. Hummell mentioned to the Committee that John Saville is currently out of the office on medical leave and is expected to return in June. He also mentioned that the Loss Analysis Report is not included in the Loss Control Report. Mr. Hummell indicated that J.A. Montgomery had a major cyber breech to their network and their systems were down for approximately 2 weeks. The data was received on Friday; however, Mr. Garish was unable to run reports for today's meeting. He noted that once the report is compiled Mr. Garish will send the report to the Executive Safety Committee.

#### *I. MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2018 SAFETY MEETING – (E-mailed 03/07/2019)*

Mr. Cramer indicated that a copy of the December 18, 2018 Executive Safety Committee Meeting Minutes were e-mailed to all Committee members along with the meeting notice. They were reviewed and approved at the January Executive Committee meeting.

Mr. Cramer asked if there were any questions. No questions were entertained.

#### *II.* **SAFETY COMMITTEE CHARTER** – (*E-mailed* 03/07/2019)

Mr. Forlenza indicated that the *Safety Committee Charter* was e-mailed to the members on March 7, 2019. He referred the Committee to pages 1-2 of the agenda packet to review the *Safety Committee Charter*. He noted that he includes a copy of the Charter in the first Sub Committee agenda of the year so that members can review the Charter to make sure that it still accurately reflects the role and responsibility of the Committee. Mr. Forlenza asked if there were any suggested changes to please contact him or the Safety Committee Chair and they will be discussed at the Committee's next meeting.

#### *III. ANNUAL SAFETY DIRECTOR'S LOSS CONTROL REPORT*

Mr. Garish handed out an abridged version of the Annual Safety Director's Loss Control Report for the Committee's review. He then briefly reviewed the report with the Committee.

Mr. Garish mentioned that the Safety contract calls for a minimum of 64 loss control visits to the members of the BURLCO JIF, as of December 31, 2018, 65 service visits were completed, including seven (7) law enforcement surveys and nine (9) renewal surveys. He noted that the *Right to Know Surveys* have been completed for all members in 2018. The electronic distribution of the Central File Drop Box has begun and will be completed by the first half of 2019.

Mr. Garish mentioned that *Police One Training Academy* was offered to members to help reduce the skyrocketing costs associated with police related injuries and lawsuits. Mr. Garish commended Ms. Matro from the Executive Director's office and Mr. Hummell on all of the work they did to ensure the program ran smoothly for the members. All JIF member police agencies are eligible to participate in this web-based training. The training was announced on October 15, 2018, the initial course offerings include de-escalation strategies, sexual harassment, and ethics in law enforcement.

Mr. Garish highlighted that the BURLCO JIF members participated in 601 total instructor-led learning events through the MSI in 2018. This was a slight decrease from 2017 of 607. The following BURLCO JIF members attended more than 50 instructor-led training events: Delran (106), Pemberton Township (103), Florence (73) and Mount Laurel (50). In addition to traditional instructor-led training, 605 online training programs were taken through the MSI by our membership. This was a significant increase from 2017 of 462. Leaders in online Learning Management Systems were Mount Laurel (102), Palmyra (74), Delran (68), and Southampton (66).

Mr. Garish then mentioned that there were 21 video rentals from the MEL Medial Library in 2018. This represents usage by seven (7) member towns. In 2018, 130 DVD's were added and the library now consists of 836 distinct titles that represent 47 categories. The catalog can be found on both the NJ MEL and BURLCO JIF website.

(The Annual Safety Director's Loss Control Report is attached to the minutes of today's meeting.)

#### IV. SAFETY INTERVENTION / MONITORING

Mr. Forlenza asked J. A. Montgomery if there were any candidates for *Safety Intervention or Monitoring* at this time. Mr. Garish responded that there were no candidates at this time.

Mr. Forlenza then asked if there were any member of concern. Mr. Garish reported on Delanco Township, Edgewater Park, and Fieldsboro Borough. He mentioned that Delanco Township, Edgewater Township, and Fieldsboro Borough will continue to be on their internal "watch list" solely based on their high loss metrics that are being generated from workers compensation and general liability. As he noted earlier in the meeting his recommendation is to keep them on their watch until the June loss ratio results are in.

#### **Edgewater Park Township**

Mr. Forlenza asked how the safety culture in Edgewater Park has been since the last meeting. Mr. Garish mentioned that the Township did not participate in the "optional" safety incentive program. He noted that overall Edgewater Park has not participated in various areas of the Safety Program as compared to other members.

As a result, Mr. Garish recommended keeping Edgewater Park Township on their internal "watch list" and will report to the Committee at the June meeting. The Committee agreed.

#### Woodland Township

Mr. Garish mentioned that Woodland Township missed a few learning events last year. Woodland Township has stated many times that they do not have enough staffing to participate in trainings. He indicated that Mr. Walsh, Mr. Hummell, and he met with Woodland Township to discuss the importance of attending JIF meetings and attendance. Mr. Garish indicated that to date Woodland Township attended the Safety Breakfast and the Safety & Claims Coordinator Roundtable.

Mr. Garish recommends keeping Woodland Township on their internal "watch list" and will report to the Committee at the June meeting. The Committee agreed.

#### V. MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that there are eight (8) member municipalities up for renewal effective January 1, 2020. They are Bordentown City, Bordentown Township, Delran Township, Lumberton Township, Mansfield Township, Pemberton Borough, Riverside Township and Southampton Township. He indicated that his office is attempting to balance out the number of members and the amount of premium that renews every three (3) years as part of the renewal realignment process. As a result, his office will ask Bordentown Township, Delran Township and Riverside Township to renew one year earlier in 2020 to allow the Fund to even out the amount of assessments renewing each year.

Mr. Forlenza then reviewed the Six Year Average Loss Ratio of each of the renewing members valued as of 12/31/2018. He noted that all of the renewing members with the exception of Bordentown City had a Six Year Average Loss Ratio below 100%.

Mr. Forlenza stated that the Safety Director is in the process of completing the Renewal Surveys for each of these members. The Director will provide a report at the June Executive Safety Committee on all of the renewing members. Mr. Forlenza stated that he does not anticipate any issues with any of the renewing members that would cause the Fund not to offer them a three-year renewal effective January 2, 2020.

Mr. Forlenza asked if there were any questions. No questions were entertained.

#### VI. BURLCO JIF LOSS RATIO REPORTS – December 31, 2018

Mr. Forlenza directed the Committee to a copy of the *JIF Six Year Average Loss Ratio* reports valued as of December 31, 2018 included in the agenda packet. The report reflects a six-year period for Fund Years 2012-2017. Mr. Forlenza noted that the six-year average loss ratio for the BURLCO JIF is 66.0%. He noted that the incurred losses represent funds that have been paid by

the JIF on known claims or set aside in reserve to be paid on known claims within the JIF SIR. Mr. Forlenza then reviewed each spreadsheet in detail with the Committee.

Mr. Forlenza stated that this data is used to create the Loss Ratio Snapshots, which were mailed on January 29, 2019.

Mr. Forlenza asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

#### VII. MEL LOSS RATIO REPORTS – December 31, 2018

Mr. Forlenza directed the Committee to a copy of the *MEL Six Year Average Loss Ratio* reports valued as of December 31, 2018 included in the agenda packet. The six-year average MEL Loss Ratio for the BURLCO JIF is 63.9%. The report reflects a six-year period for Fund Years 2012-2018. He indicated that this is money that the MEL uses to fund their self-insured retention for Workers Compensation, Property and Liability losses above the JIF layer. Mr. Forlenza noted that this report represents incurred losses, which are funds that have been paid by the MEL on known claims or set aside in reserve to be paid on known claims versus that portion of a member's MEL assessment to pay for claims within the MEL's SIR. Mr. Forlenza then briefly reviewed the MEL Reports with the Committee.

Ms. Archer from Bordentown City asked if the property loss from public works garage fire in her municipality was ever rectified with the MEL. Mr. Forlenza responded that the MEL changed property adjuster firms effective January 1, 2015 and the data was not updated; however, Bordentown City's data will be included in the March 31, 2019 report.

He also noted that the MEL snapshots were mailed to the members on January 29, 2019.

Mr. Forlenza asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

#### VIII. REGIONAL TRAINING SCHEDULE

Mr. Garish reported that one (1) Regional Training event has been held since the Committee's last meeting.

#### **2019 Regional Training Schedule**

- Safety Coordinator's / Claims Coordinator's Round Table: This training took place on March 5, 2019 at Indian Springs Country Club in Marlton, NJ. Mr. Garish reported that that there were 53 attendees with 22 evaluations received regarding the Safety, Claims, and Wellness Presentations He noted that all evaluations showed positive feedback.
- **Back to Basics:** This training will be held on May 16, 2019 from 9am-11am at the Hainesport Municipal Building. The target audience is geared toward Public Works (Supervisory Positions).
- **Practical Leadership Strategies:** This training is scheduled for June 17, 2019 at the Hainesport Municipal Building from 8:30am-12:00pm. This program is geared toward Police and all interested personnel.
- Ergonomics Reducing Injuries by Working Smart: This training will take place the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2019 and will be a recorded webinar. This webinar will be geared toward all departments, Risk Management Consultants and other interested personnel.

Mr. Garish mentioned that with the potential passing of new "Recreational Marijuana" legislation, his office is looking into an additional Regional Training that would focus on model

policies and CDL licenses. The training would be geared for Supervisors, HR Representatives and/or employees that are the point of contacts for the departments. He noted that the MEL has developed a model policy that is currently being reviewed.

Mr. Hummell mentioned that at the BURLCO Retreat there will be a 30 minute presentation on *Marijuana in the Workplace*.

Mr. Forlenza asked if there were any questions at this time. No questions were entertained.

#### IX. SAFETY DIRECTOR'S BULLETIN

Mr. Garish referred the Committee to a copy of five (5) Safety Director Bulletins that have been distributed since the Committee's last meeting. He then briefly reviewed the following bulletins:

- ADA Accessible Websites for Public Entities
- Best Practices for Snow Emergencies
- NJPEOSH Recordkeeping Annual Reminder
- Facial Hair and Fit-Testing for Firefighters
- Drug and Alcohol Policy for NJ Public Employees Template

Mr. Garish mentioned that the *DER* (*Designated Employee Representative*) and *Non-CDL Policy* will be re-distributed with a better explanation for the members. He mentioned that the regularly scheduled bulletins will also be distributed.

#### X. SAFETY DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Mr. Garish referred the Committee to pages 33-38 to *Safety Director's Messages* that were sent to the members in regards to *Shift Briefings for winter*, 17 *Sanitation Fatalities in 2019 and the Regulatory Training Reminder Fast Track Assignment*. In 2019, Fast Track Courses went from 5 classes to 4 regulatory classes.

In 2019, there will be five (5) fast tracks available to employees.

#### XI. MEL SAFETY INSTITUTE

#### **Training Administrators**

Mr. Garish indicated that the Training Administrator's report is included in the Safety Director's Report on a Quarterly basis. He mentioned that all towns have appointed a Training Administrator.

#### 2018 BURLCO MSI member attendance

Mr. Garish referred the Committee to page 39 of the agenda packet to review the 2018 BURLCO MSI member attendance list. He noted that all 27 member towns have utilized the MSI Learning Management System. Mr. Garish acknowledged the following towns on their uses: Florence Township, Fieldsboro Borough, Medford Township, Delran Township, Mt. Laurel and Pemberton Township.

Mr. Garish reported that Bordentown City sent 12 Police Officers to *CEVO Police Training*. He noted that he has not seen a member town send that many officers to *CEVO Training* in many years.

#### **MEL Leadership Institute**

Mr. Garish directed the Committee to pages 40-42 to the MEL Leadership Skills member's correspondence and class schedule that was emailed on February 14, 2019. He noted that this is a three-day course; all three sessions need to be attended to receive a completion certificate. Mr. Garish noted that three (3) member towns from the BURLCO JIF responded to the training announcement. He indicated the sessions are currently at capacity; however, he will try to accommodate a spot if a town has an interest in attending.

#### **Online Training Update**

Mr. Garish indicated that his office will continue to monitor and address any MSI Training concerns.

#### Learning Management System

Mr. Garish mentioned that last December he reported that there were two (2) Kwik Course's that were added to the Learning Management System. He reminded the Committee that these are videos that are approximately two minutes to 10 minutes in length. Mr. Garish mentioned that that four (4) more course's will be added next month.

#### **Additional Topics in Planning**

Mr. Garish indicated that there are no additional topics in planning at this time.

#### XII. S:ERVE

Mr. Garish discussed S:ERVE; the online training program sponsored by Safety National which is available to Police, Fire and EMS personnel. He noted that he is the liaison for the entire State of New Jersey. In 2018, seven (7) member towns participated in the distracted driving course. Mr. Garish reported that Safety National will roll out a new program to the members in June along with the regular program.

#### XIII. POLICE TOPICS

#### Accreditation & Re-Accreditation Update

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that there was no update since the last meeting.

#### **JIF Incentives – Accreditation**

Mr. Forlenza indicated that his office recently sent out the annual memorandum to the membership reminding them of the incentives offered by the JIF & MEL to assist member Police Departments in becoming accredited. He then referred the Committee to the annual memorandum located on pages 44-46 of the agenda packet.

#### **Police One Academy**

Mr. Hummel reported to date there are seven (7) agencies that have taken over 240 courses and 51 cyber courses. Those towns are Bordentown, Chesterfield, Delanco, Medford and Westampton are actively involved with the Police One Academy. He also mentioned that the use of the Police One will be discussed at the Police Ad Hoc Committee this coming Friday as to how to actively engage those Police Chiefs that have not used this system.

#### **SLEO Training and Police Supervisory Refresher Course**

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that retired Police Chief Denis Connell annually conducts Command Staff Training and SLEO Training session in Southern New Jersey. He then referred the Committee to page 47 of the agenda to a copy of the flyer. Mr. Forlenza asked the Committee for BURLCO JIF Executive Safety Committee Meeting March 19, 2019 Page 7 of 10

authorization to continue to provide a \$100 stipend per attendee to offset the cost of this program to JIF members. The Committee authorized the Executive Director's office to offer this incentive.

#### **Below 100 Training**

Mr. Hummell reported that there were four (4) Below 100 Training offered to all members. He noted that the Prosecutors Office and the County Chiefs Association already has a program in place; however, members are able to attend should they choose.

#### **Police Ad Hoc Committee**

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that the minutes of the October 12, 2018 Police Ad Hoc Committee meeting was included in the agenda beginning on page 48. He noted that during this meeting the Committee discussed the launch of Police One Academy. The next Police Ad Hoc Committee meeting will be held this coming Friday, March 22, 2019 in Marlton. Mr. Forlenza indicated that the minutes from this meeting will be included in the June Safety Committee agenda packet.

#### XIV. MEL SAFETY & EDUCATION MEETING

Mr. Forlenza referred the Committee to pages 51-53 to the MEL Safety & Education minutes from the December 7, 2018. He noted that the minutes are self-explanatory. Mr. Forlenza stated that he includes the minutes from these meetings in the agenda packet so the members are aware of the statewide initiatives. He stated that the minutes from the February 22, 2019 are pending and will be included in the next agenda packet in June.

#### XV. PEOSHA ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATES

Mr. Garish referred the Committee to pages 54-55 of the agenda packet. He then highlighted the *15 Most Frequent Citations for period of October 2, 2018 through December 31, 2018* with the Committee. He noted that the Mr. Saville from his office sits on the Advisory Committee.

Mr. Garish mentioned that these reports are a good self-assessment checklist to use in each department. He noted that his office will continue to roll-out any changes to the members.

Mr. Garish mentioned that he has seen an increase of Right to Know inspections from PEOSH.

#### **Right to Know**

Mr. Garish referred the Committee to page 56-58 to a copy of the *Right to Know Survey Submission Instructions*. He indicated that this information was sent out as a result of the state survey from last year. Mr. Garish mentioned that each town will receive a Right to Know link through "Drop-Box". He noted that they are approximately 50% complete; however, over the next two months all members will complete. Mr. Garish mentioned that the deadline to complete the *Right to Know* surveys deadline is June.

Mr. Garish stated that if a member has any questions, he asked that they contact his office directly for assistance.

#### XVII. WELLNESS INITIATIVE

Ms. Schiffer briefed the Committee on her recent activities.

#### Presentations / Lunch 7 Learns (upcoming):

• Bordentown City – Skin Health

- Chesterfield Sitting Disease
- Delanco Township 10 Keys to Healthy Eating
- Florence Township Sleep Disorders (JAM for Police)
- Mansfield Township Smoothie Demo
- Mt. Laurel Township Fad Diets

#### **Already Took Place:**

- Hainesport Township Gut Health and Healthy Snack (Shoprite)
- Mt. Laurel Township Sleep Disorders (evening meeting and day crew)

#### **Challenges:**

- Healthy Lifestyle Challenge
- Beverly City
- Bordentown Township
- Lumberton Township
- Medford Township
- Westampton Township

Are you a Maintainer or a Loser?

• Florence Township

Step Challenge

• Hainesport Township

Weight Loss Challenge (%loss, BMI/WC, Steps Taken, Miles Biked – 4 Winners)

Mt. Laurel Township

Newsletter Question

• Lumberton Township

#### **Police Department / EMT Activity:**

**Fitness Testing** 

- Bordentown Township
- Edgewater Park
- Florence Township (Squad Challenge doing the components of the fitness testing (sit ups, push-ups, run) but added best squad participation and weight loss component. Also offering healthy snacks)

#### Other

- Mt. Laurel Township offering monthly yoga classes, changed out some snacks in vending machine, buying fresh fruit, presentation every two (2) months.
- Bordentown Township Captain Buscio incentive, wellness board with events, recipes, newsletter, monthly workout. Installed filtered water system.
- Hainesport Township monthly healthy snacks
- End of year prize some municipalities are offering EOY prize. Every time an employee participates in an activity throughout the year, name goes in for this drawing.
- Wellness Boards have been allocated.

#### Wellness Budget

Mr. Forlenza referred the Committee to page 59 of the agenda packet to the Wellness Incentive Program for 2019. The program letters were emailed on February 15, 2019. The deadline to

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claim or encumber these funds is November 30, 2019. The final date to claim encumbered funds if February 1, 2020.

#### **Re- Adoption of Wellness Policy Statement**

Ms. Schiffer indicated that the Wellness Police Statement were distributed to the members back in November. She asked that they be re-adopted and send to the Executive Director's office for filing purposes.

#### XVIII. OPTIONAL SAFETY BUDGET

Mr. Forlenza referred the Committee to page 60 of the agenda packet depicting available balances in the 2019 Optional Safety Budget Program. Notices were sent to the members on February 15, 2019. The deadline to encumber or claim funds is November 30, 2019. The final date to claim encumbered funds is February 1, 2020.

#### XIX. SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM

#### 2018 Program

Mr. Forlenza mentioned to the Committee that the 2018 SIP amounts have not been distributed to the members as of yet. He noted that he is working with the Safety Director's office to ensure the SIP base amount and the additional optional SIP amounts are calculated properly. Mr. Forlenza stated the 2018 *Safety Incentive Letters* will be emailed to the members in the next week or so. He noted that he is looking to move the deadline date of April 15<sup>th</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> this will allow members to claim their SIP funds as a check and not have to provide the additional supporting documentation. After this date, his office will only accept the voucher along with supporting documentation to claim their funds.

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that the deadline to encumber or claim funds is November 30, 2019. The final date to claim encumbered funds is February 1, 2019.

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that the Congratulatory Letter, Award Letter and the Special Recognition Award Letters are pending and will be sent within two (2) weeks.

#### **Optional SIP Award Amounts**

Mr. Forlenza directed the Committee to a spreadsheet on page 61 of the agenda depicting the optional Safety Incentive Awards amounts that will be awarded to the members for 2018 participation.

Mr. Garish asked the Committee for their feedback in regards making the language clear in the 2019 SIP program. He noted that currently if a Fund Commissioner is placed on a Committee that did not meet in 2018 they are "technically" not a fault for non-participation. Therefore, they are awarded \$250 for attending a sub-committee meeting. However, if the Fund Commissioner did not volunteer for a Committee and they were placed on a specific sub-committee that did not meet; they are not entitled to those funds. Mr. Garish asked the Committee how they would like his office to proceed for 2019.

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that the Strategic Planning Committee met last week and they had concerns that certain towns were listed as receiving additional funds for a committee they did not volunteer to be on. He indicated that they were added to a sub-committee that did not meet last year. He asked the Committee if they are comfortable making payment to individuals that were on the Coverage Committee; which did not meet last year. Discussion ensued.

Following a brief discussion, the Committee agreed that if a Fund Commissioner did volunteer for a sub-committee and the sub-committee did not meet, they should be entitled to those funds.

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However, if a Fund Commissioner did not volunteer for a sub-committee and the Committee did not meet, then they are not entitled to those funds for 2018.

Mr. Forlenza then asked the Committee if they would like to send out an addendum to the 2019 SIP Program to reflect verbiage change that would state:

"Even if a Fund Commissioner did or did not volunteer for a sub-committee and the Committee does not meet, they are not entitled to those additional funds."

Mr. Garish stated that he will work with the Executive Director's office to develop an email with the changes and then send to the Executive Safety Committee. Once approved by the Executive Safety Committee his office will send out the amended 2019 SIP Program the entire membership. The Committee agreed with this process.

#### XX. 2019 SAFETY KICKOFF BREAKFAST

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that the Safety Breakfast was held on March 5, 2019 at Indian Springs Country Club in Marlton, NJ in conjunction with the Safety & Claims Coordinator Roundtable. He indicated that a survey to the members is pending the results of which will be available at the June Executive Safety Committee Meeting.

Mr. Forlenza asked the Committee if they would like to continue holding the Safety Kickoff Breakfast in conjunction with the Safety & Claims Coordinator Roundtable. The Committee indicated that it was easier to hold the breakfast and the regional training in the same day.

#### XXI. NEXT MEETING

Mr. Forlenza mentioned that the next Executive Committee meeting will be held on June 18, 2019 at 1:30pm. The remaining meetings for 2019 are September 17<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup> all meetings will be held at the Hainesport Township Municipal Building unless otherwise noted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

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# 2018 Annual Safety Director's Report

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## BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

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#### BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

#### 2018 ANNUAL SAFETY DIRECTOR REPORT

#### A. GENERAL DUTIES – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2018 Safety Director's contract calls for a minimum of 64 loss control visits to the 27 members of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. Through December 31, 2018, 65 service visits were completed, including seven (7) law enforcement surveys and nine (9) renewal surveys. The remaining service visits included but not limited to physical facility surveys, playground inspections, seasonal operations, job safety observations, Safety Committee meetings, special training requests; PEOSH violation remediation assistance and other services requested by the membership. **SEE APPENDIX A FOR THE 2018 MANAGEMENT SUMMARY REPORT** 

Right to Know Inventory surveys have been completed for all members in 2018. The electronic distribution of the Central File Drop Box has been started and will be completed by first half of 2019.

Renewal surveys have been completed and reviewed for the nine members that will be renewing in 2019. Those members renewing are Chesterfield, Delanco, Edgewater Park, Fieldsboro, Medford Twp., Pemberton Twp., Tabernacle, Westampton, and Wrightstown. During the surveys, all municipal operations were reviewed. Buildings more than 50 + years old or of significant value were visited, and the following elements were reviewed: SIP participation, progress on Suggestions for Improvement, any unusual exposures and comments on their loss metrics.

Results were summarized and reported at the June Executive Safety Committee meeting. None of the conditions found presented concerns with the desirability of these members for renewal.

The J. A. Montgomery Risk Control Team consists of our Safety Director, Chief Keith Hummel (Ret.) and Loss Control Consultants, John Saville and Robert Garish. We will be your primary contacts for all onsite visits, Safety Committees, and safety-related resources. Keith is also available to provide law enforcement risk control consultation services as requested by the Joint Insurance Fund. The team is administratively supported by Danielle Sanders. Training support is administered by the MSI Learning Management System staff, Susan Kopec, Andrea Felip, and Natalie Dougherty.

#### **1. Executive Safety Committee**

The Safety Committee met four (4) times in 2018. The Safety Director and staff attend the Safety Committee meetings to help establish local safety programs and assist in the effectiveness of the overall safety program. The Safety Director reviews loss metrics (LTAF Rate, Loss Ratio Reports), training participation and SIP involvement on a quarterly basis.

Any member who shows deterioration in their results is brought to the attention of the Executive Safety Committee. We are happy to report that no members of the BURLCO JIF are on Safety Monitoring or Intervention at this time and the LTAF Rate is current as of December 31, 2018.

#### 2. Participation in Claims Process / Accident Investigation

Personnel from the Safety Director's Office attend the monthly Fund Claims Committee meetings and is available to offer technical and safety-related insight on claims that are under review. The Safety Director's Office is also available to conduct accident investigations related to claims against the fund.

#### 3. Written Compliance Programs / Bulletin Updates

The Safety Director's Office has produced model safety plans to address regulatory compliance issues. These programs are available at the following website: <u>https://njmel.org/mel-safety-institute/resource-center/</u> along with BURLCO JIF website <u>https://burlcojif.org.</u> Bulletins and notices are produced each month and are distributed to the membership. Bulletins are also available through the MEL Mobile App. A listing of all Notices and Bulletins distributed during the prior month are listed in the Safety Director's report of the monthly agenda packet.

#### **B. PROGRAMS**

#### 1. Safety Incentive Program

The theme for the Safety Incentive Program is a "ZERO HARM WORKPLACE"; the Presence of Safety vs. the Absence of Safety. By changing the way we approach safety, we focus on the avoidance of risk rather than relying on the absence of injury to determine how well our safety program is working. SEE APPENDIX B FOR THE YEAR-END SUMMARY OF THE SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM PARTICIPATION.

When we describe Zero Harm vs. Zero Incident, we have to start by identifying risk and avoiding the hazard through the use of controls.

We avoid Risk when we *Plan* to reduce or eliminate hazards wherever we can. We *Do* what is necessary to eliminate hazards each time. We *Check* to ensure it is being done and *Act* by following through with our plan.

Elements of the 2018 Safety Incentive Program Included but not limited to:

- Submit 2018 Safety Committee meeting dates (1/31/2018) and returning 2018 Safety Contract (3/31/2018)
- The Safety Coordinators/Claims Coordinator Roundtable held on February 22, 2018; we had representation from all but two member towns.
- Each member is required to send a delegate to the Safety Breakfast that was held on April 10, 2018. All but two member towns were present.
- Each member is required to send a delegate to at least one half-day session of the Annual Planning Retreat.
- Optional Safety Incentive Program award monies were made available in 2018. See 2018 Safety Incentive Program (SIP) for further details.
- Member towns are expected to actively participate in <u>all aspects</u> of the program. Safety records are kept at the workplace and maintained by the Safety Coordinator. Once or twice a year the safety records will be reviewed onsite by the safety consultants.
- Activities in the safety program are grouped into the "six (6) C's" Commitment, Controlling Hazards, Continuing Education, Communication, Coaching and Claims Management. See Best Practices of 2018 SIP
- JIF Safety Consultants are required to review program records. Safety Coordinators are encouraged to maintain these program records in a centrally located file. The file should contain the members Safety Committee Minutes, Hazard Inspections, Training Records, Job Safety Observations, and any other documentation that would assist with an objective evaluation of the member's program efforts. Maintenance of this file will assist in making sure that the member receives full credit for their efforts.
- During onsite record checks, all elements of the program will be reviewed. We will work with members to secure a commitment of participation for any areas that are found to be lacking during the review. It is expected that written documentation will be available for review (Safety Committee Minutes, hazard inspections, training records, job safety observations, roadway sign, and walkway logs, etc.)
- All safety elements are scored equally, and full participation requires that there be activity and significant demonstration of commitment in all aspects of the program to qualify for a Safety Incentive Award.

• Members will either qualify or not qualify (Pass or Fail) for a Safety Incentive Award. There are no qualification tiers.

#### 2. Road, Sign, and Walkway Program

The Road, Sign, and Walkway program is posted to the JIF website and includes written guidelines to help minimize incidents and reduce litigation costs. It's important to emphasize the need for this program as one of the key components in protecting Title 59 Immunities. Good inspection reports are often successfully used to help defend liability cases.

#### 3. Law Enforcement Services

**Police Ad Hoc Committee meetings** are held regularly throughout the year, depending on the need. Joint meetings with Atlantic, BURLCO, and TRICO JIFs allow for representation by agencies of various sizes to present and discuss risk management issues of interest to the members. Two Police Ad Hoc Committee meetings were held on April 20, 2018, and October 12, 2018. Meetings were officiated by Keith Hummel and Rob Garish.

Law Enforcement Consultative Visits were provided by Chief Hummel (Ret.) to seven (7) agencies, with the goal of providing an in-depth review of services and to identify members' needs and requests. Special attention is directed to members with changes to their Command Staff. The Safety Director's office will continue to build strong relationships with the Law Enforcement community.

**Law Enforcement Training and Memorandums** are distributed electronically and are listed in the monthly Fund Agenda packet and posted to the website. The following memorandums were sent out in 2018:

- Below 100 Training (Train the Trainer / Training)
- Fireworks
- Pedestrian Fatalities
- Commercial Driver's Licenses for Military Vehicles
- Notification of Attorney General Directives
- Update to Attorney General Directive 2016-17
- Autism and Mental Health Awareness
- Search Incident to Lawful Arrest

**Training for Special Law Enforcement Officers** (SLEO) was held in 2018 with reimbursement offered to the BURLCO JIF members who participated.

**Risk Management for Police Command Staff** training events were conducted by Chief Hummel for 2018 for the Atlantic, BURLCO, and TRICO JIFS. Each training consisted of two sessions, both an a.m./p.m. session for a total of eight (8) sessions. Additional sessions were held throughout the state and made available to the membership.

**PoliceOne Training Academy** was offered to members to help reduce the skyrocketing costs associated with police related injuries and lawsuits. The JIF is pleased to announce the availability of the PoliceOne Academy online training system. All JIF Member Police Agencies are eligible to participate in this web-based training. Announced on October 15, 2018, the initial course offerings include De-Escalation Strategies, Sexual Harassment, and Ethics in Law Enforcement.

PoliceOne offers training in many different areas of importance to Police personnel and additional courses will be made available over the next several months. Courses will be reviewed by the Safety Director and the Police Ad-Hoc Committee representatives, along with identifying additional courses on an annual basis.

# Additional Police Services available to members in 2018 included but not limited to:

- Below 100 Training
- S:ERVE & Distracted Driving
- Coaching the Emergency Operator (CEVO)
- Defensive Driving
- MEL Safety Institute and MEL Media Library

#### 4. Right to Know (RTK) Program

J. A. Montgomery provides the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund with a Right to Know Inventory and Survey program. The program includes the following elements:

- Services in conformity with the New Jersey Administrative Code Title 8, Department of Health and Senior Services and Chapter 59, Worker and Community Right to Know Act for the year 2018
- A physical onsite hazardous chemical inventory for each reporting location
- Preparation of Community Right to Know survey documents including data entry into NJ State Portal as required by the State of New Jersey Department of Health
- Telephone guidance with client RTK Coordinator for authorization and completion of cover pages
- Telephone guidance as needed with client RTK Coordinator for final validation and submission steps.

**Right-to-Know Central File** prepared by J.A. Montgomery Risk Control will consist of the following components provided in electronic format:

- **Safety Data Sheets** Electronic inventory of all Safety Data Sheets (SDS) sorted for each reporting location. Note: members who choose to keep hardcopy documentation and binders for their SDS inventory would be responsible for printing the Safety Data Sheets and preparation of binders. However, please note that hardcopy documentation is not required, as long as electronic access is provided.
- Hazardous Substance Facts Sheets An electronic link will be provided to view or obtain the HSFS prepared by the New Jersey Department of Health.
- **Right-to-Know Survey** An electronic copy of the last full survey report and any subsequent surveys will be filed in chronological order.
- Written Hazard Communication Program An electronic copy of the Hazard Communication Program will be customized for each reporting location.
- **Training Documentation** If Hazard Communication / GHS safety training has been provided through the MSI, we will generate an electronic copy of the member's current training records, including the name and date of all persons trained.
- **Right to Know Poster** An electronic ordering link will be provided so the required posters can be ordered from the State for each location with the name of the official RTK Coordinator listed.

#### 5. S:ERVE & Attention and Distracted Driving

**S:ERVE-S**afety: Emergency Responder Vehicle Education (S:ERVE) is an online driver simulation and curriculum that focuses on code three intersection negotiation scenarios created to educate law enforcement, firefighters, EMS, and other emergency responders. Courses are SCORM compliant and designed to stand alone with minimal instructor participation. Each course is divided into six short lessons of 20-30 minutes, presenting techniques, concepts, rules and procedural knowledge necessary for emergency responders to drive safely and effectively in emergency response situations. The following modules make up the S:ERVE program:

- Intersection Approach
- Intersection Assessment
- Clearing the Intersection (Basic)
- Clearing the Intersection (Advanced)
- Intersection Departure

Attention and Distracted Driving - Distracted driving is emerging as a major cause of work-related vehicle accidents. This online driver simulation program provides targeted and convenient safe driving training for all fleet drivers, regardless of vehicle type. The course is SCORM compliant and designed to function independently with basic instructor participation in a brief 20-30 minute lesson. This course includes:

- The negative effects of looking away from the road for more than two seconds
- Strategies for eliminating controllable distractions
- How to make necessary adjustments for distractions that the driver cannot control
- 6. Facility Checklist, Job Safety Observations, Tool-Box Safety Talks

#### C. TRAINING

- 1. Regional Training Plan / Safety Breakfast / Additional Training Training programs held in 2018 are listed below. SEE APPENDIX C FOR A SUMMARY OF PARTICIPATION FOR REGIONAL TRAINING EVENTS.
  - Safety Coordinator/ Claims Coordinator Roundtable was held on February 22, 2018. Twenty-six member towns were represented at the Roundtable.
  - **Safety Breakfast** was held on April 10, 2018. Twenty-five member towns were represented at the Safety Breakfast
  - Annual Retreat was held on April 17, 2018. All member towns were in attendance
  - Ergonomics Regional Training was held on May 10, 2018. Ten member towns were in attendance.
  - **Risk Management Coordinator Roundtable** was held on May 23, 2018, at Merighi's Savoy Inn.
  - Hazardous Waste Handling/Recycling Centers Regional Training was held on September 13, 2018. Fourteen member towns were in attendance.
  - Active Shooter Regioanl Training was held on September 21, 2018 at Hainesport Municipal Builidng. Thirteen member towns were in attendance.

- Excited Delirium Regional Training was held on October 9, November 2, and November 9, 2018. Seventeen member towns were in attendance. One additional session will be held in 2019.
- **Police Command Staff Training –** Multiple sessions throughout 2018.
- MEL Leadership Training & Senior Leadership Skills Training was offered by the MEL Safety & Education Committee. Two member towns were in attendance. This program will be offered again in 2019.

#### 2. MSI Training and Participation / MEL Media Library

There are 53 Instructor-led training courses available to the membership and 24 online training programs. Various safety topics from Accident Investigation to Snow Removal, Safety Orientation for New Employees, and a series on Camp Counselor Safety are available to the membership. Additionally, "Fast Track" training programs which feature up to five (5) courses in a one-day session, are offered several times a year. The Fast Track program is designed to meet specific yearly mandated OSHA/PEOSH training. The Course Catalog and Class Request forms were made available on both the NJ MEL website and BURLCO JIF website. Available instructor-led training courses for upcoming months are routinely provided to membership in the monthly Safety Director's Report.

BURLCO JIF members participated in 601 total Instructor-led learning events through the MSI in 2018. This was a slight decrease from 2017 (607). The following BURLCO JIF members attended more than 50 Instructor-led training events: Delran (106), Pemberton Twp. (103), Florence (73), and Mount. Laurel (50).

In addition to traditional Instructor-led training, 605 online training programs were taken through the MSI by our membership. This was a significant increase from 2017 (462). Leaders in the online Learning Management System were Mount Laurel (102), Palmyra (74), Delran (68), and Southampton (66).

Training Administrators are an essential link for members to access the MSI Learning Management System. Administrators can run reports, register users and update training records. All members are encouraged to check the accuracy of the Training Administrator list via the Mel Safety Institute. Also, please utilize this to assign training administrators within your member town. All member towns have a Training Administrator assigned.

**Kwik Course Briefings** - Added in 2018 to the MSI, these video briefings are designed to focus on one limited topic, in a short time. They can be anywhere from three minutes in length to thirty minutes. Three briefings were added to the MSI in 2018, and additional topics are in the planning phase for 2019.

**MEL Media Library** - There were 21 video rentals from the MEL Media Library in 2018 This represents usage by seven (7) member towns. In 2018 we added 130 DVD's and the library now consists of 836 distinct titles that represent 47 categories. The catalog can be found on both the NJ MEL and BURLCO JIF website.

#### SEE APPENDIX D & E FOR A SUMMARY OF MSI ATTENDANCE AND MSI TRAINING PROGRAMS

#### D. ATTENDANCE / REPORTS

#### 1. Attendance at Meetings of the Fund

J. A. Montgomery has representation at all JIF events, including Fund Commissioners Meetings, Claims Committee Meetings, and Annual Planning Retreats. In addition, J. A. Montgomery Risk Control attends the MEL Safety and Education Committee meetings. Information presented at the MEL level is shared with the Executive Safety Committee. Additionally, J. A. Montgomery Staff attends quarterly PEOSH Meetings, Rutgers Crossing Guard Forum, and Safety / Risk Management related events.

#### 2. Monthly and Quarterly Reports Semi-Annual Loss Analysis

J. A. Montgomery provides monthly reports to the Fund on Risk Control activities completed during the prior month. Quarterly reports on MSI Attendance are distributed to the membership. Quarterly Safety Director Reports are presented in detail at the Executive Safety meetings.

#### 3. Semi-Annual/Annual Loss Analysis

Semi-Annual and Annual reports include an evaluation of losses for the Fund and members. The reports help identify the development of adverse claims' frequency, severity, and trends or problem areas and make suggestions to remediate any such trends and/or problem areas.

				Burling	ton Count	y Municipa	al Joint In	surance	Fund
			Loss Cont	rol Managem	ent Repoi	rt - Contrac	t Period	1/1/2018	to 12/31/2018
					20	)18 Visit So	chedule		
Member 🚽	Size 💌	REN 💌	Service Consultar 🔻	Law Enforcemei 🔻	1st visi 💌	2nd visi 🔻	3rd vis 🔻	4th vis ▼	Comments
Bass River	S		JS		2/5	8/27			2/5 LCR; 8/27 LCR
Beverly	М		JS		9/17				9/17 LCR;
Bordentown City	М		JS	1	5/17	12/19 PD			5/17-LCR; 12/19 LCR-PD
Bordentown Twp	L		JS		2/6	5/16	7/17	8/23	2/9 LCR, 5/16-LCR; 7/17 LCR; 8/23 LCR
Chesterfield	S	REN	JS	1	1/24	9/26	11/20 PD		1/24 Renewal LCR; 9/26 LCR; 11/20 LCR-PD
Delanco	S	REN	JS		3/15	9/12			3/15 LCR; 9/12 LCR
Delran	L		JS		5/17	7/23	12/18		5/17 LCR; 7/23 LCR; 12/18 LCR
Edgewater Park	М	REN	LC	1	5/10	8/29 PD			5/10 LCR; 8/29 LCR-PD
Fieldsboro	S	REN	JS		3/27	9/4			3/27 LCR-Renewal; 9/4 LCR
Florence	L		JS	1	1/10	8/15 PD	10/4		1/10 LCR; 8/15 LCR-PD; 10/4 LCR
Hainesport	S		LC		3/27	8/28			3/27 LCR; 8/28 LCR
Lumberton	L		JS		5/29	9/27	12/12		5/29 LCR; 9/27 LCR; 12/12 LCR
Mansfield	М		JS	1	6/13	8/13 PD			6/13 LCR; 8/13 LCR-PD
Medford	XL	REN	JS		3/13	3/13	6/22	8/22	3/13 LCR-Renewal; 6/22 LCR; 8/22 LCR
Mount Laurel	XL		JS		1/23	9/6	10/1		1/23 LCR; 9/6 LCR; 10/1 LCR-New Survey;
North Hanover	М		JS		6/14	9/5			6/14 LCR; 9/5 LCR
Palmyra	М		JS		6/8	10/29			6/8 LCR; 10/29 LCR
Pemberton Boro	S		JS	1	3/7	10/2	12/11 PD		3/21 LCV; 10/2 LCR; 12/11 LCR-PD
Pemberton Twp	XL	REN	RG		3/16	9/7	9/27	9/27	9/27 LCR-SCM; 9/27 LCR- Playground;
Riverside	М		JS	1	1/3	6/21	9/5	12/11 PD	1/3 LCR; 6/21 LCR; 9/5 LCR; 12/11 LCR-PD
Shamong	S		JS		2/15	8/29			2/15 LCR; 8/29 LCR
Southampton	М		RG		8/16	12/27			8/16 LCR;
Springfield	S		JS		10/3				10/3 LCR;
Tabernacle	S	REN	JS		2/13	6/5			2/13 LCR-Renewal; 6/5 LCR;
Westampton	М	REN	JS		2/21	10/11			2/21 LCR-Renewal; 10/11 LCR
Woodland	S		JS		5/17				5/17 LCR;
Wrightstown	S	REN	JS		3/29	8/30			3/29 LCR-Renewal; 8/30 LCR

## APPENDIX A: 2018 MANAGEMENT REPORT

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#### APPENDIX B: 2018 SIP PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

SIP Elements Commitment & Accountability		Controlling Hazards			Continuing Education Commu		unication Coaching			Claims Management			· · · ·				
BURLCO JIF MEMBERS	Safety on the Agenda	Signed the Contract	Police Participation	Inspections	Hazard Correction SFI	Roadway Sign & walkway	MSI or other major Training	Training Admin Assigned	Tool Box Talks	Safety Committee	Daily Contact	Coaching	osr	Transitional Duty	Accident Review	Claims Management	Health & Wellness
Bass River	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Beverly	Y	Y	NW	NW	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bordentown City	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bordentown Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Chesterfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	У	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Delanco	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	У	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y
Delran	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	у	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Edgewater Park	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	У	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y
Fieldsboro	Y	Y	NA	NW	Y	Y	У	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Florence	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	У	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Hainesport	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lumberton	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y/NW	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mansfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y/NW	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Medford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mount Laurel	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Ŷ	Y	Y	Y	Y
North Hanover	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Ŷ	NW	Y	Y	Y
Palmyra	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pemberton Boro	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pemberton Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y
Riverside	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y/NW	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Shamong	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Southampton	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	NW	NW	Y	Y	Y-NW
Springfield	Y	Y	UK	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tabernacle	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Westampton	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y
Woodland	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	NW	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Wrightstown	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	-			Y = YES	N - No	Evidence	UK = Unl	nown	NW = Nee	ds Work	NA = Not a	pplicable					

## APPENDIX C: REGIONAL TRAINING ATTENDANCE

	Loo			pal Joint Insurance		0
	LOS			ontract Period 1/1/2 ining Attendance	20101012/31/201	<u>o</u>
	Size	Safety/Claims		Safe Handling of Household		
		Coordinators' RT 2/22/18	Ergonomics 5/10/18	Hazardous Waste 9/13/18	Active Shooter 9/21/2018	Excited Delirium 10/9 11/2, & 11/9
Bass River	S	1			1	1
Beverly	М	1			1	
Bordentown City	М	1	1	1	1	1
Bordentown Twp	L	1	1	1		1
Chesterfield	S	1				
Delanco	S	1		1	1	1
Delran	L	1				1
Edgewater Park	М	1	1	1		
Fieldsboro	S	1				
Florence	L	1		1	1	1
Hainesport	S	1	1	1	1	1
Lumberton	L	1			1	1
Mansfield	М	1	1	1	1	1
Medford	XL	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Laurel	XL	1		1	1	1
North Hanover	М	1		1		
Palmyra	М	1				
Pemberton Boro	S	1				1
Pemberton Twp	XL	1	1			
Riverside	М	1				
Shamong	S	1	1	1	1	1
Southampton	М	1				
Springfield	S	1				1
Tabernacle	S	1	1	1	1	1
Westampton	М	1		1		1
Woodland	S					
Wrightstown	S	1	1	1	1	1
Members represe	nted	26	10	14	13	17

MSI Attendance 1/1/18 to 12/31/18	Total Classroom Uses	Total Online Uses
BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND (BURL)	Contraction of the second	Television (Street
BASS RIVER (577)	5	17
BEVERLY (75)	0	1
BORDENTOWN CITY (589)	0	16
BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP (600)	25	25
CHESTERFIELD (531)	17	11
DELANCO (76)	7	28
DELRAN (77)	106	68
EDGEWATER PARK (78)	21	17
FIELDSBORO (MELJIF_2_713)	0	6
FLORENCE (79)	73	30
HAINESPORT (80)	30	33
LUMBERTON TOWNSHIP (81)	7	5
MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP B (82)	2	0
MEDFORD TOWNSHIP (83)	48	1
MOUNT LAUREL (576)	50	102
NORTH HANOVER (601)	1	9
PALMYRA (MELJIF_2_487)	7	74
PEMBERTON BOROUGH (642)	5	20
PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP (208)	103	14
RIVERSIDE (84)	0	1
SHAMONG (85)	15	1
SOUTHAMPTON (373)	20	66
SPRINGFIELD (456)	0	17
TABERNACLE (86)	39	1
WESTAMPTON (532)	10	40
WOODLAND (MELJIF_2_488)	0	2
WRIGHTSTOWN (636)	10	0
Burlco JIF Total	s 601	605

## APPENDIX D: 2018 MSI ATTENDANCE

## APPENDIX E: 2018 MSI COURSE LISTING

MSI Instructor-led Courses	MSI Online Courses
Accident Investigation	Aquatic Safety for Camp Counselors
Asbestos, Lead and Silica Industrial Health Overview	Avoid Back Pain
Back Safety / Material Handling	Bloodborne Pathogens
Bloodborne Pathogens	Bullying Prevent at Camp
Bloodborne Pathogens Administrator Training	Child Sexual Abuse Prevention at Camp
CDL – Drivers' Safety Regulations	Crossing Guard Training
CDL – Supervisors' Reasonable Suspicion	Crush Zone Training
Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator (CEVO) - Police	Cyber Security
Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator (CEVO) - Fire	Elected Officials - Land Use Liability
Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator	Elected/Appointed Officials-
(CEVO) - EMS Coaching the Maintenance Vehicle Operator	Utility/Sewer & Housing Authorities Driving – Emergencies & Natural
(CMVO)	Disasters
Coaching the School Bus Driver	Driving – Urban Driving
Confined Space Entry with Equipment Demonstration in Classroom	Fire Safety
Confined Space Awareness Training	Hazard Communication / Globally
DDC-6 - Defensive Driving	Harmonized System (GHS)
Driving Safety Awareness	New Employee Safety Orientation, Part 1
Employee Conduct and Violence Prevention in the Workplace	New Employee Safety Orientation, Part 2
Excavation, Trenching, and Shoring	Office Safety
Fall Protection Awareness	Playground Safety for Camp Counselors
Fast Track to Safety	Playground Safety Inspections for Public Works or Rec Dpts
Fire Extinguisher Safety	Safe Patient Lifting for Emergency Responders
Fire Safety	Smart Moves to Avoid Falling Down
Flagger and Work Zone Safety	The Professional Lifeguard
Forklift Operator Certification	Trip and Transportation Safety
Forklift Operator Evaluation Train-the-Trainer	
Hazard Communication / Globally Harmonized System (GHS)	
HazMat Awareness with Hazard Communication / Globally Harmonized System (GHS)	
Hazard Identification - Making Your Observations Count	
Hearing Conservation	
Housing Authority Safety Awareness Training for Facility Maintenance Personnel	

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MSI Instructor-led Courses	MSI Online Courses
Employee Conduct and Violence in the Workplace	
Housing Authority Sensibility #1 -Employee Conduct and Violence in the Workplace	
Housing Authority Sensibility #2 - Conflict Resolution	
Housing Authority Sensibility #3 - Stress and Stress Management	
Jetter / Vacuum Safety Awareness	
Ladder Safety / Walking & Working Surfaces	
Landscape Safety	
Leaf Collection Safety Awareness	
Lock Out / Tag Out (Control of Hazardous Energy)	
Office Safety	
Personal Protective Equipment	
Playground Safety Inspections	
Safety Committee Best Practices	
Safety Coordinators' Skills Training	
Sanitation and Recycling Safety	
Schools: Chemical Lab Safety for Science Teachers	
Schools: Safety Awareness Training for School Custodians / Facilities Management	
Seasonal (Autumn/Winter) Public Works Operations	
Seasonal (Summer) Employee Orientation	
Shop and Tool Safety	
Snow Plow / Snow Removal Safety	
Special Event Management	
Toolbox Talk Essentials	

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#### **Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund**



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**Date:** March 29, 2019

To:Board of Fund CommissionersMunicipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund

From: David N. Grubb, Executive Director

Subject: Executive Director's Report

**MEL Annual Retreat**: The meeting began with presentations from each MEL Sub-Committee; reports were provided to the Board with a summary of their activities since the 2018 retreat.

- **Management Committee.** Committee talked about marketing efforts, branding, the mobile app and membership growth and retention. In addition, Committee provided an update on the Risk Management Information System (RMIS). The Underwriting Section is fully operational and the Claims Section is nearing completion. Claims Committee for RCF and MEL was able to produce multiple reports from the RMIS.
- **Legislative Committee.** Committee provided an update on efforts to secure amendments to the "sexual molestation" bill and the "firefighters presumption" bill. Without amendments, the financial impact of these bills on municipalities will be significant. Fund Attorney reported the MEL submitted two amicus curiae briefs on matters related to workers' compensation.
- **Coverage Committee.** Coverage Committee provided an overview of their historical efforts to modify coverage to meet member needs.
- Investment Committee. Committee provided an update on the status of forming the MEL's Joint Cash Management Program – which is expected to be operational by July. In the first year, the statewide JIFs
   MEL, RCF, EJIF, MR HIF and the Sustainable Energy Joint Meeting will be the first participants.
- Safety and Education Committee. Committee highlighted the continued improvement in member JIF's Lost Time Accident Frequency, increased usage of "safety briefings" additions to leadership training and updates to the MEL Media Library. Also highlighted was the service enhancements of adding Law Enforcement Risk Control staff and MEL Safety Institute, which is in its 16<sup>th</sup> year of existence providing instructor-led training to over 425,000 municipal employees and online training to 99,000 employees.
- Cyber Risk Control Task Force. In 2017, Task Force rolled out a "Minimum Standards Risk Control Program"; compliance levels has been low so Task Force is increased its focus with members. Task Force is in the process of developing standards to consider for IT personnel. Cyber Risk is continuing to evolve.
- **Marketing.** Marketing Managers provided an update on the MEL's webpage, mobile app and membership growth and retention.
- Claims Committee. Claims Committee provided a summary of MEL claim activity.
- Audit Committee. Committee talked about changes to its charter. In addition, Committee Chairman said Charter requires the Committee to have frank conversation with Fund Auditor on performance of Fund Professionals. Committee briefly described the Internal Audits performed during the last year.

**Local JIF Initiatives.** Local JIF representatives were provided the opportunity to share their JIF's recent objectives or success stories. Chairman Hirsch of Longport provided a brief review of the Atlantic JIF's Wellness Incentive Program, which is designed to assist members in meeting their wellness objectives by providing financial reimbursement of wellness related items or programs. Commissioner Northgrave, Central JIF, highlighted a recent story involving a Woodbridge

Township police officer that responded to a 911 call made by an autistic child whose teddy bear had gone missing. The officer received training from POAC Autism Services, supported by the Central Jersey JIF - which provides on-site training to improve law enforcement's response to individuals with special needs.

**Management Committee:** Committee met via teleconference on March 19<sup>th</sup> to review the report on the MEL's procurement procedures as issued by The Canning Group. Board of Fund Commissioners accepted the Public Procurement Review and Recommendations Report issued by the Canning Group. In addition, the Board accepted the recommendation of the Management Committee and adopted a resolution appointing The Canning Group to serve as the MEL's Qualified Purchasing Agent for an annual fee not to exceed \$15,000.

Audit Committee: Committee met on January 17, 2019 to review the Internal Audits on Reinsurance and Underwriting. Minutes of the meeting and copies of the report submitted to the Board of Fund Commissioners.

**Fund Professional – Producer** In January, the Board re-appointed Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services as Producer and placed a 90-day termination clause based on potential personnel changes. Those personnel changes have subsequently been resolved and the Board of Fund Commissioners voted to withdraw the 90-day termination clause.

**Emergency Restoration Services – Request for Qualifications (RFQ):** The MEL issued an RFQ for Emergency Restoration Services to update the list of qualified vendors that member towns/authorities can select from for the period of 2018 through 2020. In January, the Board agreed to add firms on a rolling basis that respond following the initial deadline. Once approved a copy of each vendor's response will be posted to the MEL website. A response was received on 1/21/19 from BMS CAT/Fairfield.

**Coverage Committee:** The committee met on March 1, 2019; enclosed are the minutes of that meeting. The Committee is scheduled to meet next on May 23, 2019.

**Legislative Committee:** The committee met on February 22, 2019; enclosed are the minutes of the meeting for information. Committee is scheduled to meet next on April 26, 2019.

Safety & Education Committee: The committee met on February 22, 2019; minutes of the meeting distributed for information.

Claims Review Committee: The Claims Review Committee met on January 2, 2019 and March 6, 2019.

**RCF:** The RCF held its 2019 reorganization meeting on January 2, 2019; a copy of Commissioner Clarke's report of the meeting was distributed for information. Fund year 2014 has now been transferred to the Residual Claims Fund.

**Financial Disclosures:** It is expected the Division of Local Government Services will distribute a filing notice on/about April 1<sup>st</sup> and forms will need to be filed by the April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**June Meeting:** As a reminder this meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2019 at 11:15AM at the Forsgate Country Club.



#### Municipal Excess Liability Residual Claims Fund

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March 29, 2019

Memo to:Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance FundFrom:Commissioner MatchettRe:RCF March Meeting

**Fund Professional – Deputy Administrator:** In January, the Board re-appointed Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services as Deputy Administrator and placed a 90-day termination clause based on potential personnel changes. Executive Director reported those personnel changes have subsequently been resolved and recommended the Fund withdraw the 90-day termination clause. The Board of Fund Commissioners accepted the recommendation and adopted a resolution withdrawing the 90-day termination clause with Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services.

**MEL Annual Commissioner Retreat:** The Executive Director reported that the MEL Board of Fund Commissioners Annual Retreat has been scheduled for March 29, 2019 at 9:40AM. Each of the MEL's sub-committee will be providing a report on their activities. Executive Director also reported that the Annual Activity Report for the RCF would be presented under New Business.

**Claims Transfer- Fund Year 2014:** In June 2018, the MEL Management Committee made a recommendation that local JIFs transfer their open liabilities to the RCF at 60 months development in order to allow claims to develop longer and provide greater certainty on reserves. The process would begin with Fund Year 2014, which has now been transferred to the RCF.

Executive Director reported in September 2018 all members of the RCF Fund were asked to adopt resolutions to transfer their 2014 claim liabilities to the RCF. Assessments to local JIFs will be determined by the valuation as of December 31, 2018. The Board of Fund Commissioners adopted a motion confirming the authorization of local JIF Members to Transfer their Fund Year 2014 Claim Liabilities to the RCF.

**Membership Renewals:** Executive Director reported that all current members of the RCF have renewed their membership on January 1, 2019 for a 3-year period.

**2019 MEL, MRHIF and NJCE Educational Seminar:** The 9<sup>th</sup> annual seminar is scheduled for Friday, May 3, 2019, beginning at 9:00 AM at the National Conference Center in East Windsor, NJ.

The seminar qualifies for an extensive list of Continuing Educational Credits including CFO/CMFO, Public Works, Clerks, Insurance Producers and Purchasing Agents. There is no fee for employees and insurance producers associated with MEL and Municipal Reinsurance Health Insurance Fund (MRHIF) members as well as personnel who work for service companies that are

engaged by MEL member JIFs and MR HIF member HIFs. Enclosed in the agenda was a registration form; an electronic fillable form was distributed via email to fund commissioners.

**Financial Disclosures:** It is expected the Division of Local Government Services will distribute a filing notice on/about April 1<sup>st</sup> and forms will need to be filed by the April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**Claims Committee:** The Claims Review Committee met on January 2, 2019 and March 6, 2019; minutes of those meetings were enclosed under separate cover.

**New Business:** Ms. Robyn Walcoff, PERMA VP Claims led the presentation of the Annual Activity Report for the RCF presented under New Business along with Mr. Chris Healy, Qual-Lynx Claims Adjustor. Copies of a chart and report noting total claim count for RCF and Claims Committee was distributed. Ms. Walcoff reported the total RCF claim count is 317,475 RCF with \$1.7 million net paid and \$1.8 million net incurred covering the period of December 31, 2014 and prior. Ms. Walcoff reported out of the total RCF claim count 316,024 are closed, 805 are open and 649 are re-opened claims. Mr. Healy provided an overview of a 2003 claim to highlight the life of a claim as it progresses through the local JIF, the MEL and ultimately into the RCF.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the RCF is scheduled for June 5, 2019 at 10:30AM at the Forsgate Country Club.

### U. S. Department of Labor

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March 13, 2019

New Jersey League of Municipalities Attn: Mr. Michael J. Darcy 222 West State Street Trenton, NJ 08608

Subject: Potential Self-Audit

Dear Mr. Darcy,

This office enforces numerous federal labor laws, including the Fair Labor Standards Act(FLSA). The FLSA requires covered employers to pay nonexempt employees at least the federal minimum wage (currently \$7.25) and time and one-half for hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

In most instances, our investigators conduct full investigations of employers to evaluate their compliance and, if violations exist, to calculate back wages due in addition to potential liquidated damages and civil money penalties. Such an investigation generally includes an initial conference, a review and transcription of applicable records, employee interviews, and a final conference.

This office has information indicating that many municipal governmental agencies engage in compensation practices that do not comply with the FLSA section 7 overtime requirements. The most common practices are not paying for compensatory time properly and not paying for all hours worked. Based on this information, we recommend that your members proactively visit our website, review the compliance assistance materials there, and evaluate whether their compensation practices comply with the law.

Your members may also consider whether to perform a self-audit under the Payroll Audit Independent Determination (PAID) program. Under PAID, employers are encouraged to review the compliance materials available at <u>www.dol.gov/whd/paid/</u>, conduct self-audits, and inform us of any potential violations they uncover. We will then work with good faith employers in PAID to correct noncompliant practices and expeditiously resolve the potential violations—without litigation.

If you would like to discuss further, please contact Community Outreach and Resource Planning Specialist, Shavonne Person at (609) 895-8525.

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Enclosures: PAID flyer and FLSA Handy Reference Guide at https://www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/wh1282.pdf