



NEW JERSEY
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
INSURANCE FUND

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Wednesday, June 24, 2026

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10:00am - Open Session
Closed Session Immediately Following**

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Meeting Called to Order – *10:00am* – Open Public Meetings Act Read

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN BY (1) SENDING SUFFICIENT NOTICE HERewith TO STAR-LEDGER, (2) POSTING ON THE NJIIF WEBSITE, (3) FILING ADVANCE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WITH THE CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR OF EACH MEMBER MUNICIPALITY AND (4) POSTING A COPY OF THE MEETING NOTICE ON THE PUBLIC BULLETIN BOARD OF ALL MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES.

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Roll Call of Executive Committee and Professionals for Open Session
2. Approval of Executive Board Meeting Minutes – May 27, 2026
 - Motion to approve minutes of Executive Board Meeting – May 27, 2026
3. Correspondence
4. Finance Report- (Robert Calise)
5. Chairman's Report
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Nominating (McNamara)
 - b. By-Laws (Lazorisak)
 - c. Legislative (Carroll)
 - d. Coverage (Konopada)

- e. Professionals/Management Oversight (Tucci)
 - f. Budget/Finance (McNamara)
 - Introduction of and Motion to Approve Resolution NJIIF-P-2026-019, Appointment of MAD Global Strategy Group As Website Support Consultant.
 - Introduction of and Motion to approve Resolution NJIIF-O-2026-020, Renewal of Property/Cyber/Boiler & Machinery Liability Coverages 7/1/26 through 6/30/27
 - g. Safety/Risk Management (Lazorisak)
 - h. New Member & Development (Chumacas)
7. Risk Manager's Report (Justin Gallo, Polaris Galaxy)
8. Director of Marketing Report (Al Barlas)
9. Loss Control Consultant's Report (Bill Baskay, LODESTAR)
10. TPA Report (Jennifer Signs, LODESTAR)
 - Motion to approve all Professionals' Reports
11. Bill List (Robert Calise)
 - Motion to approve Bill List
12. Old Business
13. New Business
14. Public Comment

IN ORDER TO DISCUSS MATTERS INVOLVING LITIGATION OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION OR CONTRACT MATTERS, AND IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, THE NJIIF EXECUTIVE BOARD IS AUTHORIZED TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(B)(7) OF THE NJ OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, ET SEQ). MINUTES SHALL BE TAKEN DURING THIS CLOSED SESSION AND ONCE THE NEED FOR CONFIDENTIALITY NO LONGER EXISTS WITH REGARD TO EACH MATTER, THE APPLICABLE MINUTES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.

- Motion to move into Closed Session (Closed Session to be convened immediately following the suspension of Open Session, via separate Zoom video conference link)

15. *Closed Session – (Eric Nemeth, Esq., Eric J. Nemeth, PC) – Closed Session Matters*

- Motion to approve minutes of Closed Session from May 27, 2026 Executive Board Meeting
- Motion to accept Workers Compensation and Multi-Line claims recommendations, and General Counsel's report as presented.
- Motion to return to Open Session.
- Motion to approve all actions recommended in Closed Session.

16. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn.



The Executive Board

MINUTES

Executive Board Meeting of May 27, 2026



THE NEW JERSEY INTERGOVERNMENTAL INSURANCE FUND MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

May 27, 2026

Call to Order: A meeting of the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund was called to order on Wednesday, May 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom (video and telephonic) conference. Chairman Tucci read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement and announced that notices were placed in designated newspapers and posted as required.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Tucci opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call:

Executive Board Members

Chairman: Thomas Tucci (Township of Cedar Grove)

Secretary: Heather McNamara (Township of Wayne)

Tom Carroll (Borough of Wanaque)

Maureen Chumacas (Borough of Roseland)

Beverley Konopada (Borough of Mantoloking)

Walter Laurencio (City of Union City)

Alex Lazorisak (Warren County)

Executive Board Alternates, Commissioners and Commissioner Alternates

Jillian Barrick (Town of Morristown)**

Kathy Boffa (Township of Livingston)**

Victoria Dobrusin (Town of Dover)

Nicole Fox (Morristown Parking Authority)

Russ Jones (Township of Livingston)

Michael Kraus (Township of Verona)

Hector Olmo (Borough of Paramus)

Kevin O'Sullivan (Township of Verona)

Alex Palumbo (Borough of Caldwell)**

Dr. Edward Ramirez (Town of Dover)**

Patrick Wherry (Township of Maplewood)

Joe Zichelli, Esq. (Township of Cedar Grove)

NJIIF Professionals, Risk Managers and Others

Al Barlas (Director of Marketing/Co-Administrator)

David Balken (Balken Risk)

Bill Baskay (Lodestar Safety & Loss Control)

Lou Beckerman (Acrisure)
 Alex Best (Fairview Insurance)**
 Robert Calise (CMFO)
 Nancy DiMartino (Eric J. Nemeth, P.C/Recording Secretary)
 Patti Fahy (Acrisure)
 Justin Gallo (Polaris Galaxy/Risk Manager)
 Katelyn A. Gamba, Esq. (Eric J. Nemeth, P.C.-General Counsel/Co-Administrator)Carol
 Karp (Acrisure)
 Wendy Kotlinsky (AllOne Health)
 Michael Kronyak (Financial Consultant)
 Angelo Lobosco (Lobosco Insurance Group)
 Tisa Martin (Polaris Galaxy/Risk Manager)
 John Matthews (Lodestar Safety & Loss Control)
 Mathew T. McArow (GJEM-Otterstedt Agency)
 Spiro Molfetas (Polaris Galax/Risk Manager)
 Eric J. Nemeth Esq. (Eric J. Nemeth, P.C.-General Counsel/Co-Administrator)
 Joe Razzano (Fairview Insurance)
 Wayne Ring (Brown & Brown)
 Jennifer Signs (Lodestar TPA)
 Peter Soriero (SIP)
 Scott Stohrer (Lodestar Safety & Loss Control)Ed Vath (SIP)
 Danielle Voda (Fairview Insurance)
 Karen Waters (Acrisure)
 Stephanie Wehrman (Lodestar TPA)
 Jack Zisa (Regional Risk Managers)

***Joined the meeting after Roll Call*

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of April 22, 2026. It was moved by McNamara, seconded by Konopada, that the Minutes of the NJIIF's April 22, 2026, 2026 Executive Board Meeting be accepted as presented.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio
Nay:	None
Abstain:	Lazorisak

3. Correspondence: None.
4. Finance Report: CFO Calise reported that the NJIIF financials through May 22, 2026, including assessments and latest investments are in the meeting packet. Calise advised as to the status of the NJIIF's current cash balance and interest rates on cash investments.
5. Chairman's Report: Chairman Tucci commented on the recent "pop-up" parties reported in several shore communities throughout New Jersey and noted that potentially impacted communities among the NJIIF membership should feel free to seek support from the NJIIF to ensure appropriate policies are in place in advance in order to respond to same.

Chairman Tucci further commented on the importance of maintaining an employee handbook that is consistent with the municipality's ordinances and applicable state law, and that it is advisable for each Member's attorneys to confirm that the manuals are consistent with local law. Tucci also reminded Members that the NJIIF is ready to provide individualized support to each Member in preparing those updates.

6. Committee Reports

- a. Nominating Committee (Chair: Heather McNamara) No report.
- b. By-Law Committee (Chair: Alex Lazorisak) No report.
- c. Legislative Committee (Chair: Thomas Carroll). No report.
- d. Coverage Committee (Chair Beverley Konopada) –See Agenda Item 15, Closed Session, below.
- e. Professionals Committee (Chair Thomas Tucci). No report.
- f. Budget/Finance Committee (Chair: McNamara). GC/Co-Admin Nemeth advised the Board that in furnishing the new NJIIF office, it is recommended that each current Member of the NJIIF be recognized by including representative photos from their respective communities. Members will have the option of either providing a photo of their choice, or advising which location should be the subject of an original photograph. Nemeth estimated that the cost of this program, including engagement of a professional photographer plus framing will be approximately \$7,000. In that regard, Chairman Tucci called for a Motion. It was moved by Lazorisak, seconded by Carroll, to approve the requested expenditure.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None

- g. Safety/Risk Management Committee (Chair: Alex Lazorisak). No report.
 - h. Member & Development Committee (Chair: Maureen Chumacas). No Report.
7. Risk Manager's Report (Polaris Galaxy). RM/Co-Administrator J. Gallo reported that the property and cyber insurance renewals will be presented at the NJIIF's June Board meeting. He also explained that Phase 4 of the CBIZ property appraisals has been completed. J. Gallo then introduced Wendy Kotlinsky of AllOne Health, the NJIIF's EAP provider, who presented an overview of the services available through the NJIIF's EAP program. J. Gallo further noted that copies of Wendy Kotlinsky's presentation and related program materials would be distributed to all members.

8. Director of Marketing Report (Barlas). Barlas reported that several members have signed up for the NJIIF's LMS training program, and that he would be scheduling a "train the trainer" session so that the appointed contact at each member can facilitate the training for its employees.
9. Loss Control Consultant Report (Lodestar/W. Baskay). Baskay reported that his group conducted several in-person visits over the past month and advised that the *May Safety Scene* newsletter was circulated. He further noted that on December 10, 2026, Lodestar will be holding a webinar "Law Enforcement Response to Fire Emergencies".
10. TPA Report (J. Signs/Lodestar TPA). J. Signs included detailed handouts with her TPA report which includes the new Lodestar WC and ML claims team contact information and claims reporting emails. Signs encouraged those in attendance to share the list with those responsible for managing and reporting claims with their governmental unit. J. Signs further advised that the old PMA email addresses would run concurrently with the Lodestar addresses for the next year to ensure a smooth transition. Signs also provided an update on aggregate WC claims received through 5/1/26. It was reported that to-date, several Members have no reported claims for 2026, and that for those claims filed so far in 2026, 12 Members have achieved an 80% timely reporting within three (3) days, and overall the NJIIF achieved a 78.6% timely reporting within three (3) days. Further, Signs reported that no new COVID claims have been received since 2023, and reported that out of 110 related claim petitions, 17 remain open.

It was moved by Carroll, seconded by McNamara, to approve all Professionals' Reports.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None

11. Bill List. It was moved by Carroll, seconded by McNamara, to approve the May Bill List as presented.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None

12. Old Business – None.
13. New Business – None.
14. Public Comment. Chairman Tucci opened the Public Comment Section of the Meeting.

There being no public comment, Chairman Tucci closed the Public Comment period.

15. Closed Session. It was moved by Konopada, seconded by McNamara, that the Board move into Closed Session to consider the matters listed on the Closed Session Matters agenda.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None



**THE NEW JERSEY INTERGOVERNMENTAL INSURANCE FUND
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING – Closed Session Summary and Adjournment**

May 27, 2026

Call to Order: Closed Session of the May 27, 2026 Meeting of the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund was called to order at 10:31 a.m. via Zoom (video and telephonic) conference.

Minutes of Closed Session of the April 22, 2026 meeting. It was moved by Konopada, seconded by Laurencio that the Minutes of Closed Session of the NJIIF's meeting of April 22, 2026 be accepted as presented.

Roll Call:
Aye: Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio
Nay: None
Abstain: Lazorisak

Approval of CFO Payments of Litigation Bills and Settlements. It was moved by Carroll, seconded by Konopada, to approve all CFO payments of litigation bills and settlements made from January 1, 2026 through April 21, 2026.

Roll Call:
Aye: Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay: None
Abstain: None

It was moved by Carroll, seconded by Lazorisak, that the WC and ML Claims recommendations and General Counsel's Report for the matters listed on the Closed Session Matters agenda be accepted as presented.

Roll Call:
Aye: Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay: None
Abstain: None

It was moved by Konopada, seconded by Carroll that the Board return to Open Session.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None

Executive Board Returns to Open Session via Zoom (video and telephonic) conference at 11:11 a.m.

It was moved by Carroll, seconded by Laurencio, to approve all actions presented in Closed Session of the May 27, 2026 Executive Board Meeting, including but not limited to approval of CFO payments of litigation bills and settlements, requests for settlement authority for WC and/or ML matters listed in the Closed Session Matters agenda and the coverage positions recommended in Closed Session.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None

Prior to adjournment, GC/Co-Admin Nemeth extended an invitation to any members interested in traveling to the NJIIF's new office to attend the next Executive Board Meeting in June, noting that those interested should contact him or Nancy DiMartino.

16. Adjournment - There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by McNamara, seconded by Carroll, to adjourn the May 27, 2026 Executive Board Meeting.

Roll Call:	
Aye:	Tucci, McNamara, Carroll, Chumacas, Konopada, Laurencio, Lazorisak
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None

The NJIIF's May 27, 2026 Meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.



The Executive Board

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA
June 24, 2026



Closed Session Agenda

For the June 24, 2026 Meeting of the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund

Following are the matters to be discussed in Closed Session:

Approval of CFO Payments of Litigation Bills and Settlements

1. 6/1/26 through 6/17/26

Workers Compensation Fund Claim Matters

1. Anderson adv. City of Asbury Park (W002197569)-----RSA
2. Bercovicz adv. City of Asbury Park (W002037692 & W002605530)-----RSA
3. Lugo adv. City of Union City (W004185626)-----RSA
4. Goncalves adv. Warren County (W001603171)-----RSA

Case Update Reports for WC Fund Subrogation/Restitution Claims:

1. Lawson adv. City of Asbury Park (W003856490)-----Recovery
2. Haughney adv. Township of Old Bridge (W004593256)-----Case Update
3. Colon adv. City of Union City (W004567387)-----Case Update
4. Napolitano adv. Township of Wayne (W004588496)-----Case Update
5. Nguyen adv. City of Union City (W004554268)-----Case Closure

Multi-Line Fund Claim Matters

Property Damage Payment Requests

1. Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills (L004995814; 7/25/25)-----\$95,000

Case Update Reports or Requests for Settlement Authority (RSA):

1. Breiner v City of Asbury Park (OGC #2266 / Claim# L003735507)-----RSA
2. Cresci v. City of Bayonne (OGC #1678 / Claim# L002141202)-----Case Closure
3. Freeman v. Township of Maplewood (OGC #2185 / Claim# L003431833) -----Case Closure
4. Alston v. Township of Old Bridge (OGC #2687 / Claim# L004331052)-----Case Closure
5. Fenston v. Township of Old Bridge (OGC #2435 / Claim# L003522937) -----Case Closure
6. Carnevale v. Borough of Roseland (OGC #2046 / Claim# L003042195) -----Case Closure
7. Deschamps v City of Union City (OGC #1520 / Claim# L001683992)-----Case Closure
8. Puente v City of Union City (OGC #1494 / Claim# L001654848) -----Case Closure
9. Majuri v. Township of Wayne (OGC #2221 / Claim# L003589000) -----Case Closure
10. Majuri v. Township of Wayne (OGC #2484 / Claim# L004227721) -----Case Closure

Coverage Recommendations for New Claims/Litigation:

1. Bomhoff v. City of Asbury Park (OGC# 2878 / Claim# L005166434)
2. Candiano v. City of Asbury Park (OGC# 2877 / Claim# L005164602)
3. Johnson, Qaasim v. City of Asbury Park (OGC# 2882 / Claim# L005166903)
4. Crisonino v. City of Bayonne (OGC# 2871 / Claim# L004380791)
5. Fay v. City of Bayonne (OGC# 2869 / Claim# L005044042)
6. Jean-Paul v. City of Bayonne (OGC# 2864 / Claim# L005159239)
7. Mendonca v. City of Bayonne (OGC# 2872 / Claim# L005145227)
8. Wood v. City of Bayonne (OGC# 2879 / Claim# L004597909)
9. Brant v. Township of Bloomfield (OGC# 2880 / Claim# L005165902)
10. Choto v. Town of Dover (OGC# 2884 / Claim# TBA)
11. Westcraft Builders v. Township of Maplewood (OGC# 2873 / Claim# L005162557)
12. Boccher v. Borough of Paramus (OGC# 2874 / Claim# PARL144050)
13. Sacco v. Township of Parsippany Troy-Hills (OGC# 2881 / Claim# L005166331)
14. 2007 Kerrigan Ave LLC v. City of Union City (OGC# 2875 / Claim# L005165812)
15. Turcios, Carlos v. City of Union City (OGC# 2867 / Claim# L005162273)
16. Turcios, Joel v. City of Union City (OGC# 2868 / Claim# L005162273)
17. Palmetto Venues v. Township of Verona (OGC# 2883 / Claim# L004947881)
18. Novak v. Borough of Woodland Park (OGC# 2876 / PMA Claim# L005166090)
19. Schultz v. Borough of Woodland Park (OGC# 2970 / PMA Claim# L005163324)