

NEW JERSEY CYBER RISK MANAGEMENT FUND

OPEN MINUTES

June 18, 2026

VIA TELECONFERENCE – 1:30 PM

Chairwoman Tozzi called the meeting to order and read the statement of compliance open public meeting act, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF 2026 FUND COMMISSIONERS

Joy Tozzi - Chair	East Windsor - Mid-Jersey JIF	Present
Adam Brewer - Secretary	Pequannock Township – Morris JIF	Present
Megan Champney Kwesela	City of Summit- Suburban Municipal JIF	Absent
James Gant	Sea Girt Borough – Monmouth JIF	Absent
Michael Mevoli	Borough of Brooklawn - Camden JIF	Present
Bernard Rutkowski	Toms River MUA - NJUA JIF	Absent
Marc Schrieks	Lodi Borough – South Bergen JIF	Present
James Pacanowski	Ventnor City, Atlantic JIF	Present
Corey Gallo	Bergenfield - Bergen JIF	Present
Erin Provenzano	Delanco- Burlco JIF	Present
Casey Wagner	Woodbridge - Central JIF	Present
Alan Pine	Mount Laurel Twp. FD#1 – FIRST JIF	Present
Matthew von der Hayden	Stafford Township – Ocean JIF	Present
Frank Elenio	Ridgefield Borough – PAIC JIF	Present
Kevin Aberant	Moorestown - PMM JIF	Present
John Clarke	Princeton Housing Authority- NJPHA JIF	Present
James Ulrich	Clark Township – NJSI JIF	Present
Gary Jeffas	Secaucus – Suburban Metro JIF	Present
Michael Razze	Pittman Borough - Trico JIF	Absent

PROFESSIONALS PRESENT:

Executive Director/Admin.	PERMA Risk Management Services Joseph Hrubash, Cathleen Kiernan
Deputy Executive Director	Risk Program Administrators Paul Forlenza, Kamini Patel
Planning Consultant	RLM Barbara Murphy
Attorney	Dorsey & Semrau Frederick Semrau, Esq., Sue Sharpe
Auditor	Nisivoccia, LLP Bud Jones
Underwriting Manager	Conner Strong & Buckelew Edward Cooney
Cyber Security Training	Xcitium Alex Leonard
Treasurer	Chuck Cuccia

ALSO PRESENT:

Justin Macko, Sea Girt Borough, Alternate Fund Commissioner, Monmouth JIF
Diane Ambrosio, Ocean Township
Jerry Carusa, Technology Consultant for RPA JIFs
Mathew T. McArow, GJEM – Otterstedt Insurance Agency
Don Sciolaro, World Insurance Associates LLC
Jaclyn Lindsey, Conner Strong & Buckelew
Katie Walters, Conner Strong & Buckelew
Frank Covelli, Professional Insurance Associates
Dave Vozza, The Vozza Agency
John Casagrande, Danskin Insurance Agency
Robin Racioppi, North American Insurance Agency
David Grubb, Perma Risk Management Services
Brad Stokes, Perma Risk Management Services
Pauline Kontomanolis, Perma Risk Management Services
Zareena Majeed, Perma Risk Management Services
Brandon Tracy, Perma Risk Management Services

MINUTES: Included in the agenda were the open and closed minutes of May 21, 2026.

MOTION TO APPROVE May 21, 2026 OPEN MINUTES:

Moved: Commissioner Elenio
Second: Commissioner Clark
All in favor: 14 Ayes – 0 Nays – 1 abstention – Chairwoman Tozzi

AUDIT REPORT AND ACTUARY VALUATION REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2025: The Audit Report as of December 31, 2025 is enclosed separately. Executive Director said Mr. Bud Jones, a representative from Nisivoccia, was present. Mr. Jones reported on the year end operating revenue was 6.8m, expenses were \$4.7m and there was \$300,000 in investment income. This resulted in about a \$2.4m positive change in the net position. This resulted in a net position of \$6.3m. There were no recommendations and made one comment regarding an upcoming GASB statement.

Executive Director said the March 31st Financial Fast Track reflected the strong audit noting the Fund has picked up \$756,000 in surplus since the beginning of the year and has \$7,056,797 in surplus. Also enclosed separately was the Actuary's Year End Valuation Report. Executive Director added resolution 32-26 Certifying the Audit report and the Group Affidavit, indicating that each member of the Board has read the General Comments Section of the Audit Report was included in the agenda.

MOTION TO APPROVE YEAR-END FINANCIALS, ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 32-26 AND EXECUTE GROUP AFFIDAVIT INDICATING THAT THE FUND COMMISSIONERS HAVE READ THE GENERAL COMMENTS SECTION OF THE AUDIT REPORT.

Moved: Commissioner Elenio
Second: Commissioner Clarke
Roll Call: 15 Ayes – 0 Nays

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Executive Director said the Committee met virtually on June 18th at 11:00 a.m.; the Committee discussed the following:

RISK CONTROL SERVICES: Ad Hoc committee has met twice to develop modifications to the scope of services for cyber training/phishing simulation and vulnerability external scanning. The Committee consulted with the Chertoff Group and member IT personnel Operations Committee met and reviewed

the proposed changes submitted to the Underwriting Manager. Included in the agenda were the proposed changes, which were outlined in red. The Committee recommended the Board review the proposed changes.

Assistant Deputy Executive Director said in addition to updating the scope of services the Fund Office will work with the QPA to update any other language in the RFP. Assistant Deputy Executive Director said the Fund has already adopted a resolution that when going out for these two services it would be done through Competitive Contracting RFP.

MOTION TO APPROVE MODIFIED SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR CYBER TRAINING/PHISHING AND VULNERABILITY SCANNING SERVICES

Moved: Commissioner Shrieks
Second: Commissioner Brewer
All in favor: Unanimous

ZERO TRUST DEPLOYMENT: The Chertoff Group prepared the Zero Trust Guide material for members to utilize. To complement the Chertoff Group's work, the Underwriting prepared a companion worksheet in excel. The attachments were provided separately. Operations Committee reviewed the material and recommended for the Board of Fund Commissioners review. Executive Director said Zero Trust security is in response to the advent of artificial intelligence and the acceleration of quantum computing and will transition Cyber JIF members from Generation 1 to Generation 2 security.

Underwriting Manager added that some items in the Zero Trust architecture are already incorporated in the cyber compliance framework. Eventually, the Fund may consider adding other elements from the Zero Trust to the program. Board agreed that zero trust is to be discussed systematically over time and through educational webinars and material. Mr. Cooney said this will be critical over the next 5 to 10 years. Chairwoman Tozzi added the operations committee discussed and agreed to not overwhelm all the member towns and steps that need to be taken so it's implemented correctly. In response to Commissioner Shrieks, Mr. Cooney said the guide is being released to membership for informational purposes and serve as a guide. Mr. Cooney responding to Commissioner Provenzano noted Zero Trust will mean something slightly different in the cloud versus elsewhere.

CLAIMS COMMITTEE: Executive Director said there were no PARs since our last meeting in May. A Claims Detail Report as of 5.30.2026 was sent to the Fund Commissioners under separate cover.

CYBER JIF WEBSITE:

WEBSITE UPDATES: Executive Director said the Fund Office is in the process of updating the website to include the amended 3rd party risk assessment tool, revised cyber framework with the amended deductible incentive structure and the two bulletins on cyber risk alerts.

WEBSITE USAGE: Executive Director said Princeton Strategic Communications also reported at the MEL Safety and Education Committee on, among other topics, statistics on the Cyber JIF website usage. Information from their report pertaining to the Cyber JIF website was included in the agenda.

CYBER EDUCATIONAL SERIES: Underwriting Manager is scheduled to hold the 1st webinar of the educational series on June 23rd at 10 a.m. on Artificial Intelligence. The notice that included the link to register was distributed to membership on June 15th and was also included in the agenda.

DUE DILIGENCE: Executive Director said the 1st quarter Financial Fast Track was included in the agenda for information. The loss ratio Report as of May 31, 2026 was also included in the agenda.

NEXT MEETING: The next Cyber JIF meeting is scheduled for July 16, 2026 at 1:30 PM via audio / video teleconference.

TREASURER: Treasurer also asked for a motion to approve Resolution 33-26 June 2026 Bills List:

June 2026	
2025	\$32,010.00
2026	\$145,696.64
Total	\$177,706.64

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 33-26 APPROVING THE JUNE 2026 PAYMENTS, AS SUBMITTED

Moved: Commissioner Brewer
Second: Commissioner Elenio
Roll Call Vote: 15 Ayes - 0 Nays

Mr. Cuccia said following the results of the 12/31/25 audit and maturation of the fund it is a good time to transfer \$2m into the JCMI investment program.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER TO TRANSFER \$2M FROM THE CYBER FUND RESERVES TO THE JCMI

Moved: Commissioner Brewer
Second: Commissioner Schrieks
Vote: Unanimous

UNDERWRITING MANAGER: Mr. Cooney reiterated the first of the two educational series will be held Tuesday, June 25th and the risk manager accreditation program is being finalized.

ATTORNEY: Fund Attorney reported the dissemination of cyber counsel engagement letters are being released and will provide an update at the effectiveness of the master service agreements.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jeffas requested directions on how to access the free AI assessment. Mr. Cooney said he can direct Commissioner Jeffas to the free AI assessment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jerry Caruso, a technology consultant for the RPA JIFs, and Commissioner Erin Provenzano expressed their concern when receiving notifications from Xcitium stating the member town/entity has completed the program by reaching the 82% threshold. Mr. Cooney said the threshold is 100% and requested copies of the Xcitium email be forwarded to him so he can review with Xcitium.

CLOSED SESSION: There was not a need for closed session.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Moved: Commissioner Clark
Second: Commissioner Brewer
Vote: Unanimous

MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:17 PM

Brandon Tracy, Assisting Secretary for Adam Brewer, Secretary