



**EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY
MAY MONTHLY MEETING
May 15, 2007 (Tuesday)**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Tim Boel. President Boel announces that he received a phone call from our contact person at Shea Stadium, and there are 35 tickets available for this Saturday's game for the Fire Company. However, later in the night this trip was cancelled due to lack of attendance for this event with numerous members unable to attend due to graduations and other prior engagements. A pledge of the flag, a moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were all completed. Bob Reinke makes a motion to set aside a page in the minutes for Frank Michel. Mike Memole seconds the motion. The motion is carried. George Forgea makes a motion to accept the minutes, and Tom Gullo seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Secretary N. Baker reports there were 36 checks written in the month of April. Six checks were written for over five hundred dollars. Elwin Michel makes a motion to accept the report. Dan Speed seconds the motion. The report is accepted by the membership.

MONTHLY VISA BILL REPORT

President Boel reports the previous balance of 411.79 has been paid in full and received by Visa. The new balance for April is 5,321.29 dollars. The list of purchases

was read. Bob Reineke makes a motion to accept the report. Dave Chesnut seconds the motion. The report is accepted.

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer P. Benson reports our total fund raising for the month of April is 5,537.00 dollars. Our total station rental income is 3,932 dollars. The total income for the month is 10,197.52 dollars. The total expenses for the month were 25,279.57 dollars. Frank Jenkins makes a motion to accept the report. R.P. Smith seconds the motion. The report is accepted.

Communications and Bills

Thank you cards were received from the Michaels Family, Abriel Family, and from Past Chief David Smith.

Report of the Officers

Chiefs Report: Assistant Chief Clark Roehrer reports Engine 7 is well under way with body repairs. Engine 8 has been gold leafed. The truck can not be fully washed until the gold leaf has fully settled. The EMS contract with Bruen Rescue has been renewed. The 2 new Chiefs vehicle are in. The radios and other equipment will be installed over the next couple of weeks. The Port Drill was critiqued last night by the Drill Coordinator, Chiefs, and other pertinent liaisons. On a scale of 1-10 the drill was rated overall as a 7. There were two noticeable problems at this drill one of them was the receipt of water, and the second noticeable issue was communications. Kevin Hitchcock, Ron Mercx, Nancy Condit, and Bob Reineke attended a Fire Prevention training class recently in Montour Falls. There have been a lot of fires lately. A great job was completed by all. The fire hydrant installations in the town of Schodack are well under way. The steamer connections will be turned around so they are facing the highway, which will make it easier for us. Do not use the fire hydrant on Kraft Road near the Schodack Rite Aid. If you use that fire hydrant it will set off the flow alarm at that Rite Aide store. A crew will be needed for Truck 11, on June 7th from 8am-10:45am at Goff Middle School for a Public Education detail. If you still need OSHA training see Car 3. The list is getting shorter.

There was no report from the Captains, Lieutenants, Foreman, or Ladies Auxiliary.

Safety Officer/Quartermaster- T. Whittemore mentions to the members if they have Quaker coats that are in need of repair please advise your station Captain.

Firefighters- T. Kennedy reports the air compressor on Truck 11 overheated. The compressor was running consistently. Chuck Alger fixed the problem. This has happened before in past years.

Commissioners M.Benson Sr. and C. Linck discussed the Fire District's Code of Ethics, and each member had to return and sign off on the paperwork.

Building Use Report- There were 14 events for all buildings in the month of April. The total income for the month is 4,520 dollars. The total expenses were 2,009 dollars. The total profit for the month is 2,511 dollars. There are several events booked for the month of May. The report was submitted by President Boel. Dan Speed makes a motion to accept the report. Bob Falls Sr. seconds the motion.

Presidential Report on Buildings-Allied Waste had been complaining about the lock on the dumpster. Make sure the lock is on the dumpster. The Rensselaer County Command vehicle is no longer at the Park Station in the extra large bay. If anyone borrows something from a firehouse, tell the House Committee. We have come across this problem last time. Tell a House Committee member that a piece of equipment is being borrowed!

Storage Project- Capt. T. Chesser reports the project has been completed. The project was not to exceed 2,500 dollars. The total cost of the project was 2,179.96 dollars.

In regards to the purchase of a snowblower: Tom Kennedy will try to see if he can get a snow blower donated to the company. T. Kennedy makes a motion to table this item for a month. Bob Reineke seconds the motion. The motion is tabled for one month.

The parking lot project at the Park Station will be completed next week by Quality Lawn Care-Rob Yetman. The parking lot signs that were hit will be repositioned in the ground by C. Roehr.

The Cell Tower project is moving along nicely. There is still discussion about the plot plan. The plot plan was good for T-Mobil, but was not satisfactory for us. The plot plan is being revised. The contract has been signed and will be going to the town planning and zoning board.

Report of the Committees

Pizza Nights- D. Kennedy reports our last pizza night was on April 28th. The total income for the event was 2,881 dollars. The total expenses for this event were 1,470.16 dollars. The total profit for this last pizza night is 960.84 dollars. D. Kennedy makes a motion to accept his report. Tom Chesser seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

North Station- still working on the driveway area by the side door.

Main Station- No report.

Park Station- The floor waxer is being examined.

Pavilion- See Steve Bakerian if you are interested in cutting the grass at the Pavilion. The blacktop walkway was put in last week. During the past week or so there was some damage done at the Pavilion. The lights in the Pavilion were hit with stones and rocks by youths.

Website-Need pictures for updating of the photo section.

Uniform Committee- It's parade season once again. If you need a uniform see Bob Lehmann.

Life Member's Day- September 9th.

Fitness Room- Please don't bring in junk to the weight room.

Convention-June 23rd is quickly approaching. Dinner will be at 5:30pm. This meal will be catered. The Red Vest outing is Thursday. Mardi-Gras parade is Friday evening. For this parade we may be reinstituting the Popcorn Pumper. The dress parade step off time is 12pm. There will be a fireworks presentation in Colonie at 9:30pm. Trophies will be at 10pm. We are looking into getting a school bus for the day, and a possible driver. Pete Lavin makes a motion for \$500 for the Popcorn Pumper project. Craig McCabe seconds the project. The motion is carried.

George Forgea makes a motion to use company credit card for Convention purchases. Chris Lavin seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Golf Outing-September 16th is the date. We also need to start publications for this. Some of our participants and their businesses need a little advanced notice. Some of them are limited to the number of events they may attend or donate to.

Explorers- Very limited turnout lately. We need to keep this program going.

Review Board- The point sheets for ½ the year should be posted after June. Keep an eye on the point's sheet.

Membership Committee- The committee completed an orientation with new members.

Scholarship- June 30th is the deadline. The applicants need to follow the instruction word for word. The documents need to be in order as instructed on the applicant sheet.

Grants Committee- Nancy Condit has put in for another grant. There is a grant meeting Thursday evening at 7pm.

Long Range Planning-See M. Benson Sr. after the meeting to set up a date for the next meeting. If unable to meet with Mike contact him soon.

Softball Team- The team is off to another stellar start, but we have a lot of fun.

Training Center- The building was cleaned up in the fall. Keep things neat when you are finished in there.

Technology Committee- The committee is coming close to turning on the new system.

Proposals for Membership

Bill Harrison residing at 1 Michigan Avenue is looking to become an active firefighter.

Anthony Gullo at 55 Phillips Road is looking to become a Junior Firefighter.

Election of New Members

Nick Ramirez residing at 17 Paul Street. Chuck Alger makes a motion to accept Nick Ramirez as an active firefighter. Tom Kennedy seconds the motion. Nick was sworn in by President Boel and presented with his badge.

Pete Lehmann makes a motion to accept Mr. Gullo's application. Dan Speed seconds the motion. The younger Gullo is the newest Junior Firefighter.

-There is no unfinished for new business.

Good of the Order

Certain members have been the victims of receiving feminine products such as tampons. Just remember payback can be painful.

The residents at Pointview Drive will be moving back in their residence soon. This residence was struck by lightening.

All members need to fill out the Code of Ethics receipt form.

Steve Vallee was removed from the Main Station recently by EGPD SGT. Rich Edberg. If he is on FD property he is obviously not to be present on site.

Pete Lehmann makes a motion to forward endorsement letters to the respective applicants for Hudson Mohawk offices. Chris Linck seconds the motion. The motion is carried. Letters will be sent.

Food for next month is Truck 11. The June meeting will be at the Pavilion. Justin Edberg wins the 50/50. Elwin Michel makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Reineke seconds the motion. The meeting was terminated at 8:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Benson Jr.
Recording Secretary