



EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY JULY MEETING JULY 17, 2007

The July meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by President Tim Boel. A pledge of the flag, a moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were all completed. President Boel advises the members that Vice President Pete Lavin will be conducting the meeting in preparation for his anticipated role as President in 2008. VP Lavin advises that the meeting minutes from the month of June were posted via email, and are printed out for those that do not have email. Pete Lehmann 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 53 checks written in the month of June. Eight of the checks were written for over 500 dollars. Bob Reineke makes a motion to accept the report. Bob Falls Sr. seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Monthly Visa Bill

President Boel reports the previous balance of 264.13 was paid. The new balance for the Visa bill is 479.87. President Boel read the list of purchases. Tom Gullo makes a motion to accept the report. Clark Roeher seconds the motion. The monthly Visa Bill report is accepted by the membership.

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer P. Benson reports the total income for the month of June is \$9,068.59. Our total current assets total \$195,264.56. The total company expenses for the month was \$44,854.48. George Forgea makes a motion to accept the report. Nelson Williams seconds the motion. The motion is carried by the membership.

Report of the Officers

Car 1 (D.A. Cook)- Chief Cook reports that Truck 11 recently malfunctioned while responding to a structure fire call at Sorensco. The apparatus malfunctioned due to a problem with the computer. Engine 7 is near completion. KME is only waiting on a part. After the truck maintenance is completed at KME, the hose for Engine 7 will be tested, and Whalen will start the gold leaf work. All of the hose testing for EG Fire District 3 will be done by a private contracting company. Clinton Heights continues to use this company, and they have not had any problems. Castleton Ambulance is looking for some assistance from our EMT's and CFR's for the Hudson Mohawk Convention in South Schodack. The marina project and Temple Lane project are moving along nicely. The drill topic for next Tuesday evening, July 24th is the Thermal Imaging Camera. Mike Memole is the drill liaison. Firefighter Memole briefly discussed his plans regarding the drill.

Captains, Lieutenants, and Foreman had no report this company meeting.

Safety Officers- T. Whittemore advises that gear will start being repaired next Tuesday night.

Firefighters/Past Chiefs Report- Past Chief Lehmann would like the record to show that the "young men" of this Fire Co. placed the Popcorn Pumper 1st at the Hudson Valley Convention in Shaker Road. PC Lehmann also commends the Fire Co. and the young men for taking the company to an elevated level. VP Lavin also thanks the senior/experienced veteran firefighters for their help and continued support.

Building Use Report

President Boel reports the total income for the month of June is \$3,350. The total expenses were \$1,182. The total profit for the month is \$2,168. As of this meeting there are 14 events booked for the month of July, and actually there have been 3 more added

since we started this meeting. Tom Kennedy makes a motion to accept the report. Bob Reineke seconds the motion. The report is accepted.

President Boel advises the membership about the mulch along the side of HQ. The mulch is drying up and weeds are coming through the mulch. Clark Roehrer makes a motion to use stone along the building. The motion is not to exceed \$200. President Boel seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Resolution 9-Sales Tax. We need to develop a cocktail hour/open bar package for \$5 per person. Possibly add 8% sales tax on all beverage packages. President Boel makes a motion for this. Chris Lavin seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

The large black roll along garbage container will no longer be used. When you generate garbage throw it away. Do not leave it for someone else to take care of. The large black roll along will be retired to the garage. The new dumpster is at the Park Station. When the new dumpster was being positioned, someone left 6 bags of garbage. This is uncalled for!

Polsinello installed a new controller downstairs. The compressor downstairs was \$2,600. The units failed therefore making it 85 degrees in the firehouse during the past couple of days.

Report of the Committees

North Station- There are no problems or severe issues to report.

Main Station- The siren is back in service at the Main Station. There has been a problem with bats at the Main Station. Five bats have been found in the last month.

Headquarters-There appears to be a leak in the weight room. Polsinello was here last month working on this problem.

Scholarship Committee- P. Lehmann reports his committee met on July 3rd before the holiday. The committee awarded 6 scholarships. The recipients have been invited to attend the August meeting to receive their monetary awards.

Website- Keep the photos coming. The new parade photos will be on the web very soon. Some of the photos have already been added.

Uniforms- Make sure your uniforms are in order. If you need anything for your uniform contact B. Lehmann or G. Forgea.

Life Members Day- The date is Sunday September 10th at the F. Becker Memorial Pavilion.

Training Center- C. Lavin reports the facility has been used by our agency along with Castleton and Schodack Landing. South Schodack has expressed interest in using the training center. We need to realize our training house is a lot easier to use for us and Schodacks due to geographic location as opposed to the training facility in Sand Lake on Macha Lane.

Convention Activities- Mardi Gras parade in South Schodack is 7pm. However we need to get down there at least an hour early. We will be departing for the dress parade shortly after 10:30am. In 2009 the dress parade is in Lake George. We have an opportunity to stay at the Marine Village Hotel on Canada Street. The company needs to start putting money away for this convention. The rooms will be pricey. If we begin saving now the better off we will be for the 2009 Convention. The Olympia will be our second choice. George Forgea makes a motion to go forward with the Marine Village Hotel. Chris Linck seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Golf Outing- The outing is finalized. 30 packets have been printed off. The committee has added corporate sponsorship levels, Gold, Silver, and Bronze. All of this information is in the golf outing application along with the pricing. No alcoholic beverages can be dispensed at Burden Lake. In order to compensate for this we are looking to use small coolers with beer in them. The committee is planning to eliminate the hat as a gift. The committee is also looking for a beverage sponsor. Any golfing issues or questions contact M. Benson Sr. If there are any questions or issues about sponsors contact T. Boel.

Review Board- Chief Cook reports there are over 100 active members of this fire company. The review board met with several members. The committee recommends the following members be moved from active to social membership: Matt Williams, Dan Farley, Kevin Collins, Matt Knauf, Mike Barbour, Mark Dickie, and Jim Morgan. Chief Cook wishes to keep Jim Morgan on the active roles. D. Cook looks to make a motion to move the members listed with the exception of J. Morgan from active to social members. Tom Kennedy makes a motion to agree with the Chief's recommendation. Tom Chesser seconds this motion. The motion is carried.

Publicity- Our pictures are in the publications from the HV parade.

Membership Committee- There have been private orientations completed with some of our newest members.

Ways and Means- Last year we were in a contract with Matthew Bender book binding. Lexus Nexus cares sponsorship. We will receive \$72 quarterly. Nancy Baker makes a motion we put the quarterly money (\$72) toward the scholarship funds. Chris Dick seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Grants Committee- The grant the committee is pursuing is the State Ed Department Grant. This grant will benefit the fire company, the district and the ladies auxiliary with records management.

Long Range Planning- After the cell tower is erected the committee will further evaluate the Main Station.

Softball Team- Playoffs will be the last weekend in July.

Membership Secretary Report- The LOSAP report has been posted for the 1st ½ of the year. If you think there is a problem with your points see Nancy Condit. Make sure the point sheet headings are filled out completely and they are legible. The Sr. Station officer or firefighter is responsible for the sheets after returning to the firehouse.

Proposals for Membership

Dan Burke is applying for active membership. He resides on Phillips Road.

Election of New Members

Mr. Wong is currently working this evening. He was here the previous month when his application was read. He resides at the Horizon Ridge Apartments. All members are in favor of making him our newest member. He will be sworn in at the August meeting.

New Business

M. Benson Sr. discussed with the membership about putting sides on the Pavilion for the cooler months. There are currently no funds available at this time for property improvements this year. We can however put some plastic or tarps for the time being especially for the Golf Outing. T. Kennedy will chair a committee to look into the addition of “sides.” Bob Crain, John Donnelly, and Frank Jenkins will assist on the committee.

Good of the Order

Last year we sponsored a half-page ad for the EG Pop Warner program. George Forgea makes a motion we do the same this year. Pete Lehmann seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Matt Williams has submitted a letter regarding his change of status from active to social. The letter was read by the Recording Secretary.

The Points System and Bame Agency. Possible raise from 400 to 600 dollars a month for LOSAP after 20 years through LOSAP. There has been an issue with the points, and records management. This may have to be put off until 2009. The District will commit to this raise 100%.

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

-August 11th Saratoga EGFD day at the track.

- August 23rd Aqua Ducks cruise. We will be leaving at 6pm sharp from HQ.

Limited seating for this event.

- August 24th Pizza Night, Chicken Parm Night- Workers Party

- September 21st Captain JP Cruise. Refrigerators will be performing. Money has to be in by September 6th.

Food for the August meeting is the Ladies Auxiliary.

50/50 winner is Doug Smith-\$47

Pete Lehmann makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Chesser seconds the motion. The meeting was terminated at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Benson Jr.

Recording Secretary

