



**EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY
OCTOBER MEETING
October 16, 2007**

The October meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Tim Boel. A pledge of the flag, moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were all completed. Mike Memole makes a motion to accept the September meeting minutes. Tom Kennedy seconds the motion. The minutes are accepted by the membership.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Financial Secretary N. Baker reports there were 54 checks written in the month of September. Seven of the checks were written for over five hundred dollars. Andrew Clark makes a motion to accept the report. Jeff Tooker seconds the motion. The report is accepted by the membership.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Treasurer P. Benson reports the total income for the month of September is \$21,826.17. The total expenses for the month are \$32,990.12. The net income for the month of September is \$11,163.95. George Forgea makes a motion to accept the report. Bob Falls Sr. seconds the motion. The report is accepted by the membership.

MONTHLY VISA BILL REPORT

The previous balance of \$2,011.86 was paid in full and received on September 6th. The new balance for October is \$7,511.42. The list of expenses was read by President Boel. Mike Benson Sr. makes a motion to accept the report. Dan Speed seconds the motion. The report is accepted by the membership.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

Chief's Report- District Chief David Cook advises that Engine 9 has been requested for the Firefighter 1 class. The truck needs to be at Clinton Heights Station 2 at 8am on Saturday October 20th. On Sunday October 21st Truck 11 has been requested for the live burn. The Lieutenants will be conducting the NXG2 air pack drill on October 23rd. The following Tuesday, October 30th will be a Captains search and rescue drill. The Fire Police have been requested by Goff Middle School to assist with traffic control on Friday October 26th for their Halloween Happening detail. There are two county classes starting this week which are; Fire Behavior Arson Awareness & Pump Operators. There will also be a National Grid training class soon. The Chief also reminds the members to start the generator when leaving the firehouse when responding to calls such as auto accidents.

Assistant Chief Di'Martino advises the members that there is a pop up icon for the 2007 Pub Ed. Schedule on the EGFD events calendar.

Captains- Captain Dick advises to wash Engine 9 when returning from a call. He also advises not to use the manual handle for the relief valve.

Lieutenants- After this meeting meet with Mikey P in regards to the drill for next week.

BUILDING USE REPORT

President Boel reports there were 16 events in the month of September. The total income for the month is \$4,375.00. The total expenses for the month are \$1,976.00. The total profit for the month is \$2,399.00. There are 8 events booked thus far for the month of October. Rich Edberg makes a motion to accept the report. Dennis Kennedy seconds the motion. The report is accepted by the membership.

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT

The new phone system at Headquarters has been installed by Mike Prestipino, Lou Roher, and Chris Dick. The chairman for this committee was Mike Prestipino. After this company meeting, training will occur downstairs. Bame Insurance Agency has also cut us a check from this incident.

The computer equipment that was damaged from the lightening strike has now been repaired. Also due to the lightening strike the fire alarm system board had to be replaced.

The new snow blower is at the Park Station. The snow blower is not to leave the property for any reason! This machine is only to be used at Headquarters. If this snow blower is removed from the property there will be a police report filed, and the member will be arrested!

The new steel doors and door jams at the Pavilion have been installed by Steve Bakerian. The small project was completed under the money allocated. Good job by Steve and his assistants.

Allied Waste is really starting to irritate the fire company. On the last bill there was a \$68.00 Environmental fee incorporated. When the cost of fuel increases so does their dumping fees, hence the Environmental fee. This therefore increases the overall dumping fee. County Waste can beat both of the prices for the Main and North Station. County Waste is whom we have a contract with at the Park Station currently. Chris Linck makes a motion to terminate our services with Allied Waste for the Main and North Stations. Jeff Wasilieski seconds the motion. This dumping will occur every 2 weeks. After a brief discussion the motion is carried, the Fire Company will be entering a contract with County Waste for the other two stations.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

House Committees

-North Station> The blacktop project has been completed by L. Browe Paving. The total cost of the paving project was \$3,850.00.

-Park Station- Bring the dumpster keys back inside. Do not keep them!!

Beverages- If the members do not know how to tap beer, then don't do it! It is crucial that the appropriate members fill out the logs. We need to know what event or purpose the alcohol was used for, and the date must appear on the log. The tags must also appear on the clipboard. The tags are made up the specific kegs of beer.

Kitchen- The ventilation project has been completed. The system appears to be working good so far.

Pavilion- The company came within \$230.00 of what we budgeted for.

Uniforms- There is \$280.00 left for this year.

Annual Dinner- The planning stages are coming to a close, more information to follow at the November meeting.

Convention and Activities- The list for possible attendees will be posted soon.
See George Forgea or President Boel for further information.

2007 Golf Outing- Our total profit is about \$10,000.00. There will be a full report at the November meeting.

Audit and Finance- The 3rd Quarter information has been given to David Smith.

Constitution and By-Laws- The By-Law change is in regards to the Chief and Assistant Chief. This is Article 16, Section 4. The change is to delete "THE NOMINEE MUST BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING TO ACCEPT THE NOMINATION." This will be posted for 30 days at the three fire stations. This change will be voted on at the November meeting. This By-Law change was submitted by Clark Roehr and seconded by Tim Boel.

Nominating Committee- This committee needs to be formed for the upcoming elections. The three members on this committee must NOT be seeking a Line Officer or Executive Officer position.

Membership Committee- There will be an orientation conducted for some of our newer members in the late fall or early winter.

Ways and Means- The annual fund drive has been completed. The documents will be mailed out tomorrow. The President commends his Vice President on a nice job with the annual "Lick 'Em and Stick 'Em" detail.

Pizza Night- The Pizza Nights have once again started and chaired by Dennis Kennedy. In September our total expenses were \$1,909.60. The total income for the evening was \$2,639.75. The total profit for the Pizza Night on September 8th was \$748.15. The October Pizza Night occurred on October 13th. The total expenses for the evening were \$1701.19. The total income for the evening was \$2,690.25. The total profit for the evening was \$927.06. The Pizza Night reports were submitted by Dennis Kennedy. Tom Gullo makes a motion to accept the report. Bob Falls Sr. seconds the motion. The reports are accepted by the membership.

Pancake Breakfast- The fall Pancake Breakfast will be on Sunday, November 18th. The chairperson for this event is Assistant Chief K. Hitchcock. It is important we have enough members to serve the food. Kevin will need help in the kitchen to get things set up starting at 5:00am. The event will of course be held at our Banquet Hall.

Grants- The committee is still waiting on two outstanding grants. The committee is looking into applying for a couple of grants that will benefit the Fire Company.

Fitness Center- Clean up the toilets. The President strongly advises the membership that we have a VIKING! Replace the toilet paper after you are done depositing your waste material(s). Wipe the fitness equipment clean when you are done having a sweaty workout.

Blue Light- The monthly publication has been lit once again!

Technology-The committee has been working on a long computer project. The last thing to do is to get the stations together along with fire district. The District has a Technology Committee to work with the Fire Company committee.

LOSAP- The Company and District are working hand and hand. The District Secretary/ Treasurer enters the points. The points are posted by the Fire Company Membership Secretary. District Chief Cook emphasizes the mailboxes have a lock on them for a reason. We have confidential and important documents in there; they are called PCR's. DO NOT REMOVE THE LOCKS!

Cell Tower- There is no further report at this time. Things are still moving slowly. This project and all the information is in the hands of the EG Town Board and Planning/Zoning Boards.

PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP

There are two applicants- Paul Stoddard at 37 Electric Avenue, and Taylor Perkins at 14 Boncroft Drive. Taylor is currently with Explorer Post 11.

NEW BUSINESS

George Forgea reports Fire Prevention is well under way. There was a great turnout at Hannaford this past Sunday. The usual crews have been handling the daytime details at the local daycare centers and schools. If you need points this is a good way to increase them. There are two other events on the weekend; Wal-Mart and Price Chopper.

The Hudson Mohawk Volunteer Fireman's Association is inquiring to see if we can place a couple of large clothing boxes at our firehouses. These are large green containers. There are several of these at local businesses in town. Rick Williams makes a motion not to place these at the firehouses. Rich Edberg seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

Christina Jenkins is looking for a donation for her college bowling team in Florida. Each player needs to raise \$2,000.00. Dan Speed makes a motion to send her a \$100.00 donation. Dave Chesnut seconds the motion. The motion is carried.

George Forgea inquires to Assistant Chief Roehr about the Pre-Plans.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Mike Memole inquires about updating the Chief's photos in the trophy case. The President advises that arrangements will be occurring soon.

The EGFD job shirts are in. See B. Lehmann if you ordered a shirt.

D. Kennedy thanks the members for the card and the fruit basket for his recent heart procedure.

Dennis Kennedy also points out to the membership that two life members are seeking a town office position; Jeanie Mastin and Linda Kennedy.

Clark Roehr inquires about the monies for an up to date Fire Company photo. Chief Cook advises plans are in the works.

Chief Cook advises the members that Bill Sinnott was in the hospital, and is currently convalescing. He has also received a card and fruit basket from the company.

Assistant Chief Di'Martino thanks the members for their assistance in attending the recent drills that were held on Saturdays.

The Board of Elections is still looking for a place to go. The Library told the Board of Elections NO! They would still like to use the North Station. Tom White makes a motion to allow them to use the North Station. They will still be charged a \$200.00 fee. Rick Williams seconds the motion. A hand count reveals the motion is carried.

President Boel reminds the members to keep an eye on the EGFD Events Calendar. November 3rd is the Foxwoods trip. This is a fundraising event for the Fire Company.

The annual EGFD Members only golf outing will be on October 21st at 3:00pm at Evergreen Country Club.

On October 28th at 7pm there will be an Executive Board meeting. This meeting will be occurring to evaluate the 2007 budget, plan a 2008 budget, and to go over the goals and objectives of the membership for 2008.

The Chiefs letters must be submitted by the November meeting.

Food for the November meeting is Engine 6 and Engine 9.

The 50/50 winner is Tom Gullo taking home \$41.00.

Chris Dick makes a motion to adjourn. The motion is seconded by Elwin Michel.
The October meeting is terminated at 8:16pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Benson Jr.
Recording Secretary