

# EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY June Monthly Meeting June 17, 2008

President Pete Lavin at our Company Pavilion called the June 2008 meeting to order at 7:02pm. A pledge of the flag, a moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were all completed. Tom Gullo makes a motion to accept the May meeting minutes. Tim Boel seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

# **REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

Secretary N. Baker reports there were 59 checks written during the month of May. Nine (9) checks were written for over \$500.00. George Forgea makes a motion to accept the report. Kathy Miller seconds the motion, and the report is accepted by the membership.

## **MONTHLY VISA BILL REPORT**

President P. Lavin reports the previous balance of \$985.17 was paid in full and received by the creditor. The new balance is \$2,981.18. The significant purchase made with this card is for the trip to Shea Stadium for the Yankees vs Mets game, which totaled \$2,040.00. Bob Rein eke makes a motion to accept the Visa report. Jenna Gifford seconds the motion and the report is accepted by the membership.

## **REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

Treasurer P. Benson reports the total income for the month of May is \$6,803.37. The total expenses for the month were \$46,105.99. Our total current assets totals \$222,541.87. Mike Benson Sr. makes a motion to accept the report, Tim Boel seconds the motion, and the report is accepted.

#### **REPORT OF THE OFFICERS**

District Chief Clark Roehr reports that our total calls year to date is 139. There were 18 calls for the month of May. The Chief thanked the members that attended the NYS Live Fire Training and Chiefs Show in Lake George back in the second week of June. July 29<sup>th</sup> will be our radio training on the new 800mhz radios. A member from the Rensselaer County Bureau of Emergency Services will instruct our members. Starting July 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a Pump Operators class in Stephentown. On July 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a class in Castleton. The Chief also thanked the members that attended the various Public Relations events such as Goulds Orchards and the Girls Softball fireworks. Please let the Chief know if you are having problems with equipment especially the boots. Ivan Wager is looking for a member from each of the three fire departments to be the town representative on the 800mhz radio committee. A big congratulations goes out to Marty Miller whom saved the life of a 2-year-old child along I-90. Effective June 30<sup>th</sup> through the end of August Car 2 will be out of town for work obligations, and Captain Cullum will be filling in during Car 2's absence.

Car 2- Truck 11 will be inspected tomorrow, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Hose testing will take place on July 21<sup>st</sup> and July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Foreman- Please make sure all the trucks are fueled and full of water before placing them back in the bays for active service.

Past Chiefs- PC Pete Lehmann commends Mike Benson Jr, Bob Lehmann, Greg Forgea, Craig McCabe, and Mike Prestipino for their excellence and commendation on their live fire training on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Nothing but good compliments from the FDNY instructors.

### **BUILDING USE REPORT**

President Lavin reports the total revenue for the month of May is \$5,797.02. The total expenses were \$2,801.00. The total profit for the month is \$2,996.02. The total rental income year to date is \$21,955.02. The cash bar income year to date is \$4,747.92. As of this meeting there were 18 rentals booked. Dan Speed makes a motion to accept the report. Craig McCabe seconds the motion and the report is accepted by the membership.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

Membership Committee- Membership Secretary Nancy Fitzgerald (formerly Condit) reminds the members to pay their dues in a timely manner. We have done an excellent job the past couple of years.

Scholarship- Pete Lehmann reports that all applications must be postmarked by June 30<sup>th</sup>. On July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm the Committee members will review and award the scholarship recipients.

Convention Activities- The Red Vests will be leaving at 12pm on Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup>. The bus for the actual parade on Saturday will be leaving at 8:30am. Teagans will cater food back at the firehouse after the bus arrives back at the firehouse.

Softball Team- The team earned their first win against Wynantskill. Mike Benson Jr. filled in to manage the team for the vacationing Manager Bob Lehmann.

Golf Outing- The date for the Golf Outing is Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. The official shotgun start will be 12:30pm. T. Boel negotiated with the Manager of Burden Lake and we will be continuing on the tradition at Burden Lake. The price per golfer is \$85.00. We are trying to limit the number of golfers to 128.

House Committee- George Forgea reports that the hole on the roof has been patched. There has not been any more water seeping through that is known of as of this meeting. R. Williams reports that the hot water problem at HQ has been taken care of. The carpets look really good. R.P. Smith reports that there is a significant infestation with carpenter bees at the Main Station by the garage and also at the Pavilion. R.P. Smith received a couple of quotes. Northeast Insect Control had the lowest price of \$299.00 per building. Clark Roehr makes a motion we go with the lowest bidder. Chris Linck seconds the motion, and the motion is carried. R.P. Smith also reports that when using the EGFD Training Building clean up the debris, which includes the broken glass!

Pizza Night- The workers party will be the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in August. Dennis Kennedy reports that the new refrigerator for the bar has been installed, stocked with the appropriate beverages, and is working efficiently.

Uniforms- The new uniforms have been distributed by committee co-chairs B. Lehmann and Gr. Forgea. When bringing your uniform to the cleaners, make sure you receive the correct uniform back.

EGFD Keyless Entry- The cost of key fobs is still being evaluated.

Explorers- There have been several new members, and training is starting to increase.

Chicken BBQ- T. Boel and the President are still negotiating with Teagans to conduct a Chicken BBQ in September. The possible date is September 13<sup>th</sup>. This event is tentatively planned to be conducted by our social members.

Cell Tower- Another check has been received by the Company for \$1,500.00 yet the final plan has not been forwarded to the town for final approval.

## **PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Joe Winnicki resides on Route 150 in West Sand Lake is applying for active membership as he is gainfully employed in the district at National Gypsum.

## **ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Paul Zerpoli residing on Yorkshire Drive has applied for active membership. The Defreestville Chief mentioned to David A. Cook that they are sorry to see him leave their department, he was extremely active and very hard working. Tim Boel makes a motion we accept the candidate for active membership. Craig McCabe seconds the motion, and the motion is carried. Mr. Zerpoli is the newest member of the Fire Company, and will respond out of the North Station.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Best Luther Fire Department appreciates our help at their recent working fire. They tried their best to put the fire out, but the house was well ahead before help go there. Nancy Fitzgerald is trying to establish a database for our updated membership directory. July 10<sup>th</sup> is the Hawthorne Ridge picnic. Maybe Truck 11 can attend? Chief grants permission.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Roehr inquires to the other Past Chiefs about the horn for the flowers. The price for a new one is \$248.00. The bus for the Mets/Yankees game will be leaving the North Station at 1pm.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Ed Di'Martino makes a motion we sponsor a hole for \$100.00 for the CHS Wrestling Team Golf Outing. Kyle Keenan seconds the motion, and the motion is carried. President Lavin reports that the painting in the foyer and the banquet hall is just about complete. The tentative date for the Aqua Ducks is possibly August 16<sup>th</sup>. President Lavin will advise further at the next meeting about the date, time, and how many amphibious apparatus we will be conducting our activities on. Nancy Fitzgerald sent a letter to the President advising him and the members that she can't attend the FASNY Convention in Chittagua (near Buffalo). Craig McCabe advises that he can attend, and will be the representative from our agency. President Lavin has Great Escape coupons so members can save \$7.00 if you are interested. T. Boel advises that he forwarded approximately \$2,000.00 in checks to the Financial Secretary. Dennis Kennedy has posted shirt decals on the various bulletin boards at the firehouses. If you are interested in a shirt decal let him know, and he can make the shirt. R.P. Smith advises the President about the rafters at the Pavilion, they may need repair and there could be leakage at some point. Nelson Williams reports that Hubey Ashley is at Albany Med for severe kidney surgery and bladder removal. Bob Lehmann displayed mesh EGFD shorts. If there are enough members interested, an order could be placed. Food for the July meeting is Mike Memole, Kathy Miller and the Explorers. The 50/50 winner is Tom White Sr. whom received \$54.00. Mike Memole motions to adjourn the meeting, Jenna Gifford seconds the motion, and the meeting is terminated at 8:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Benson Jr. Recording Secretary/Captain