



## **EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY**

February Meeting

February 15, 2011

The February 2011 meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by President Jeff Tooker. A pledge of the flag, a moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were completed. Pete Lehmann makes a motion to accept the meeting minutes from January. Nelson Williams seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

### **REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

Financial Secretary Nancy Baker reports there were 50 checks written in the month of January. Sixteen (16) checks were written for over \$500.00. Tim Boel makes as motion to accept the report, R.P Smith seconds the motion. R.P. Smith inquires about Verizon phone bill for the Main Station which is \$132.10. The bill could be lower if a special fee of \$5.00 were to be dropped by Verizon, which would keep the overall bill lower. This Verizon bill for all stations was \$516.75. The motion is carried by the members.

### **MONTHLY VISA BILL REPORT**

President Jeff Tooker reports the previous balance of \$2,556.14 was paid in full and received by Chase on January 14<sup>th</sup>. The new balance is \$1,351.02. The only purchase over \$200.00 was made on December 31<sup>st</sup> for \$939.97 at buylifetime.com, which were for some needed banquet tables. Bob Reineke makes a motion to accept the report, David A Cook seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

## **REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

Treasurer Paul Benson reports the total income for the month of January is \$15,027.10. The total expenses for January were \$39,328.37. Our total assets are \$100,859.09. We note the total monies in the Barbara Lehmann Scholarship fund totals \$8,655.58. Tom Kennedy makes a motion to accept the report, Elwin Michel seconds the motion, and the motion is carried.

## **REPORT OF THE OFFICERS**

Chief's Report- (Car 1) Ed Di' Martino reports the total calls for January were 24. The total calls to date are 28. The Amtrak MCI Drill will be on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The new drill cycle starts in March. The new thermal imaging cameras should be here next week. Three of them were ordered and there will be more information to follow regarding training. The new pads and batteries are in for the AED's. The new re-fills are on order for the eye wash stations. The new dual pump on Rescue 11 and the new combination tool are in from Holmatro. The Chiefs office is in the process of receiving quotes for 10 new pagers. A new pedal cutter has also been ordered for Rescue 11.

Car 2- Kevin Hitchcock reports he is now in charge of vehicle maintenance. Rescue 11 is currently out of service for an overheating problem, and we hope to have it back by tomorrow. Keep your eyes on the back wall for buildings that are upcoming in the town.

Car 3- Absent from meeting. Car 1 reinforces that the MCI drill is in April.

Car 4- Bob Lehmann thanks everyone for bringing their pagers and chargers for the inventory process. The supplemental reports need to be filled out completely. There will be new forms in a few weeks. These reports need to go in the bin with the points sheets. We are going to a lot of CO detector activations. The CO forms also need to be filled out completely.

Board of Directors- Tim Boel reports to keep the bay doors closed, keep the lights turned off when we are not occupying the stations.

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

Pancake Breakfast- Tim Boel reports the event went well. We did not make as much money as we would have liked, but this was our first event doing this jointly with the Elks Club. We received \$1,420 on the placemats. The event served 90 adults and 16 children. There were

40 workers between the FD and Elks members. The total profit for the event \$1,620 profit. We budgeted \$3,000.00. There will be another one in the fall. At the next event there should be pre-sale tickets to make things a little easier. Tim Boel makes a motion to go forward with the pre-sale tickets for the next event. Chris Linck seconds the motion and the motion is carried. The next pancake breakfast will be in October.

Business Appeal- President Tooker reports 75 envelopes were sent back to us because the businesses are no longer in business. We are \$277.00 to the good.

Fish Fry Nights- tentatively scheduled for 5 fish fry nights. Our mark-up will be 1/3 profit reports Tim Boel and Tom Chesser.

Buildings/ Building Use Report- President Tooker reports the total revenue for the month of January is \$3,456.76. The total expenses were \$1,081.25. The total profit for the month is \$2,375.51. The year to date income for the Banquet Hall is \$3,456.76. The year to date income for the Banquet Hall Bar is \$394.00. Bob Falls Sr. makes a motion to accept the report. Tracy Britt seconds the motion, and the report is accepted by the membership.

Uniforms- Assistant Chief Lehmann reports the new uniforms have been ordered. If any members need parade shoes please let the Assistant Chief know.

### **ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Charlene Schimmerhorn residing at 1013 Glaz Street is applying for active membership for Code 100. Chris Linck makes a motion to accept her. Nick Ramirez seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

Nick Madore residing at 45 Commons Drive is applying for active membership. Nick has 10 years of fire experience from CHFD. Bob Falls Sr. makes a motion to accept Nick as an active firefighter. Chuck Alger seconds the motion and the motion is carried by the membership.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Car 1 is proposing to have a projector and screen installed in the Banquet Hall. He is also looking into having the sound system upgraded, however that may be at a later date. The cost for the total job is \$3,543.00. This would cost the Fire Co. \$1,770 for cost of the projector and the screen. Tim Boel seconds the motion. Tim Boel points out that this falls well within the

budgeted amount. DVD's can be played from laptop and projected on screen from the plug in with the wall. Ricky inquires as to who is installing the projector and who is doing the electrical work. Eddie D informs members that it is probably going to be Joe Winnicki for the electrical part and AV Solutions is doing the installation. Past Chief Williams points out that we may want to reach out the electrical contractor that built this building before we go forward and starting installing and mounting this equipment. This is probably in our best interests reports the Past Chief. Based on the discussion Chris Lavin makes a motion to table this motion, for further review. Further review is warranted per Chris Lavin. David Cook's concern is about mounting the unit. David points out that people use the hall for weddings and other events. Eddie shows the membership where the unit and the screen will be mounted which will be between the soffits. All members were in favor of tabling this motion, motion carried.

There is no new business.

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Pete Lehmann makes a motion to endorse June Gunza for Secretary of HVFFA. She is endorsed by outgoing Secretary Bob Creifelds. June is endorsed highly by her home county of Orange County. Chris Linck seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

Tentatively Elaine Rudzinski of the EGPD is organizing a September 11<sup>th</sup>- Annual Picnic town wide. The cost would be \$150 or \$200 per agency. We can absorb the cost of this.

Brown's Brewery Chili Cookoff- Friday night Jeff and Eddie D are cooking chili. Only 8 fire companies entered. If we win we get a hydrant. The cost to enter is \$10.00 and the proceeds go to Fireman's Home in Hudson.

Aquaducks- The event date is August 5<sup>th</sup>. Anyone on the amphibious apparatus must be 21 years old. We are only getting one boat.

Tim Boel reports the work detail was completed at the North Station. Ceiling tile work is completed. They will be submitting a bill for \$88.00. Ceiling is repaired. Timmy reports members from each station were there, not just North Station personnel.

David A. Cook reports Norm Stahlman's mother passed away if we could please send a card. Our fire siren was mounted at the service station for numerous years. David also reports

the Red Knights (volunteer fireman motorcycle group) is doing a poker run. They are seeking permission for May 14<sup>th</sup> to use a hall to send out cards and possibly use the rest room. The motion is approved by the membership.

Tim Boel reports Joe Kelly has passed away. Pete Lehmann elaborates on Joe's past accomplishments. He was a member of the Walkkill Fire Department and heavily involved with the HVFFA. Send letter and card.

Website- Tom Whittemore reports the following information is necessary to enter FD webpage egfd is ID, password/passcode 1916.

Pete Lehmann reports the band is set for the Hudson Valley parade. Hudson Mohawk parade may not be happening. We may be seeking to use them for the Greene County Parade. Pete Lehmann makes motion to use them for 3 events. Pete then withdraws his motion due to lack of funds that we have.

Pete Lehmann presented Don Gifford a gold card for Life Membership.

RP Smith inquires about soda machines. Tim Boel reports 2 new machines had to be ordered. Timmy made contact with them today and we are just waiting on them to be delivered.

Tom Chesser proposes that we purchase one additional fryer for fish fry night. Not to exceed \$1,000.00. Tim Boel seconds the motion. Tim inquires as if its needed. Tom Chesser reports this will aid the problem with fish being done before the French fries. Tom Chesser reports there may be an issue with the ansil system/ansil hood. The cost is not to exceed \$1,200.00. Tim Boel does not second the motion. David Cook does. Mike Benson Sr., inquires about the capital hit. Ricky inquires if we contacted the ansil company or a professional regarding our ansil system and if it's possible to add another fryer. The motions carries, however it is contingent upon the results of ansil system analysis.

Jeff Tooker reports the Holiday Inn has given us a complimentary 1 night stay to expire March 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. This is their donation instead of a specific monetary amount. This will be raffled off. Members must be 18 or older to receive this coupon. Shannon O'Kelly wins this raffled item.

50/50 winner of \$85.50 is Joe Winnicki.

Elwin Michel makes a motion to adjourn. Chuck Alger seconds the motion. The motion is carried. The meeting is adjourned at 8:16pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Benson Jr.

Recording Secretary