



EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY
DECEMBER MEETING/ELECTION OF OFFICERS

December 18, 2012

President Tooker called his final meeting to order at 7:07pm. A pledge of the flag, a moment of silence for our departed members, and roll call were all completed. Chuck Alger makes a motion to accept the November meeting minutes. Chuck Hellmuth seconds the motion and the motion carries. Chris Linck makes a motion to accept the special meeting minutes which were the Chief's Elections minutes. Todd Cullum seconds the motion, and the motion carries.

REPORT OF THE FINANICAL SECRETARY

Financial Secretary Nancy Baker reports there were 56 checks written during the month of November. Twelve (12) of the checks were written for over five hundred dollars. Joe Winnicki makes a motion to accept the report and Matt Sullivan seconds the motion. Mike Memole inquired about the payment to National Grid. Financial Secretary N. Baker reports the check written to National Grid was for \$2,329.43. All members were in favor of accepting the report and the motion carries.

MONTHLY VISA CARD REPORT

President Jeff Tooker reports the new balance is \$713.89. The previous balance of \$3,442.12 was paid in full and received by Chase bank on November 16th. There were no purchases made for over two hundred dollars. The majority of the purchases made with the card were for the Chicken Parm Night fundraiser. Greg Forgea makes a motion to accept the report. Nick Madore seconds the motion and the report is accepted by the membership.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Treasurer Paul Benson reports the total income for the month of November was \$13,608.02. The total expenses were \$37,312.05. The total assets of the Fire Company total \$202,648.20. Jim Alcombright makes a motion to accept the report. Tracy Britt seconds the motion and the report is accepted by the membership.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

Car 1- District Chief Kevin Hitchcock thanked the members that responded to the call at 20 Bri-Lan Avenue in Schodack Center at the early morning hours this past Sunday morning. Counseling was made available to our members. The reason our agency responded was due to the County dispatching the call as a "Delta Response for a Stab Wound, with the helicopter indicated." We don't do EMS, but the call was dispatched and we helped. Rescue 11 had ample EMT's and assisted the arriving police officers the best they could. Keep an eye out for your fellow firefighters, if they don't seem themselves, inquire, help-out, help is available. Kevin handed out certificates to Jim Pendolino and himself for completing the Extrication class. Mike Prestipino and Mike Memole received certificates for ethanol incidents along with Anthony Gullo and Nick Liuzzi. Truck 11 is out of service, it was once thought to be a transmission problem, however the Commissioners wanted a second opinion and at HL Gage an electrical issue was possibly the problem. HL Gage was comfortable enough with KME doing the work since they specialize in repairing fire apparatus. An Atlantic Detroit Diesel employee also damaged the truck on the driver's side rear, so that will be getting repaired. January 15th and January 16th will be the dates for physicals. The Chiefs Office is creating a database to log the dates of member physicals. If there is a conflict with the date of your physical, please let Kevin known. All forms must be filled out completely. Kevin wished members a happy holiday season.

Car 2- Mike Prestipino gave his final report as an Assistant Chief. Mike thanked the members of the training committee for all their time during the past few years. Mike stated that taking on training is a huge responsibility and it's more than just Tuesday evenings. Training is why we show up as active members. When training goes well, members show up. When training goes poorly so does attendance

Car 3- Bob Lehmann reports that it is imperative the amount of water being used in Schodack be reported. Accurate estimations are necessary. There will be forms in the trucks

and the forms must be filled out when using water in Schodack. RP Smith reports a fire hydrant is out of service at Schodack Plaza. Bob states that a form must be filled out for members wanting to be included on fire call text messages. 320-325 calls for the year so far, December has been very slow. Bob stated that 2012 has been a year of ups and downs. He highlighted the good of 2012. The good of 2012.... 20 new sets of gear, items officers wanted have been purchased, 12 members participated in Hot Training in Verona, taken in 10 new active members, 3 FDNY officers for training, 2012 Hudson Mohawk Parade champs, 47 guys in Hudson Valley, projector project, BOP's are in progress.... Thanked Mikey P for all his work as Assistant Chief and conducting the training throughout the years, formation of a truck committee, Long Beach tour, Pub Ed program, Box Alarms updated, ran a lot of mutual aid this entire year... big calls down in Rensselaer, CHFD and DFD have had some big calls, South Schodack thruway stop, Wynantskill FD, Lighthouse fire in Schodack, Marble Road garage fire, shed fire in Huntswood, etc.

Car 4- no report.

Captains- Greg Forgea reported on publicizing the information when equipment is used from the station. Let the appropriate Line Officers or company officers know. Captain Mike Benson Jr., thanked the membership for the numerous phone calls and text messages he received on the birth of his daughter Abigail Elizabeth Benson. Mike reported both mother and new addition are doing great. She was born on a Tuesday night at 7:15pm, go figure Mike states.

Board of Directors- Tim Boel reports that he has been working on the 2013 budget with President Tooker and many other members of the Board of Directors and Executive Board. The budget looks good and 2012 looks great so far. Ricky Williams and Dave Chesnut have worked very hard with the heating and cooling company to get things accomplished and keep costs down. The 2013 budget will be presented at the January meeting. Tim reminds members to stop washing cars in front of the firehouses, and to close the doors when it is cold outside.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

Buildings/Building Use Report- President Tooker reports the total revenue for the month of November is \$1,221.50. The total expenses were \$624.00. The total profit for November is \$597.50. The year to date income for the Banquet Hall& Pavilion rentals is \$38,108.67. The

year to date income for the Banquet Hall Cash Bar is \$6,315.50. Tracy Britt makes a motion to accept the report. Rich Hendricks seconds the motion. The motion carries and the report is accepted.

Fund Drive- Chairman Chris Lavin reports 300 donations have been received up to this point. We are under the target by 20%, not too bad considering the current economic conditions.

Hudson Valley Convention 2013- Greg Forgea reports the convention is in South Glens Falls. This will once again be a low key event. This convention will conflict with Columbia High School graduation. Lower key event due to travel back and forth from the convention location for the parade and the trophies.

Installation Banquet- VP Marc Iorio reports the event is January 19th; the cost is \$25 per person

Pizza Night- Chairperson Linda Cook reports the December Pizza night was slow. The next Pizza Night will be January 12th. The total income is listed at \$2,011.31 (\$1,733.00 and \$278.31 for the bar with a start-up bag of \$300.00.). The total expenses were \$1,874.55. The profit is listed as -\$163.24. Tom Kennedy makes a motion to accept the report. Rick Williams seconds the motion. The motion carries.

PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Shannon Bujak residing at 737 Columbia Turnpike, Apt D24 submitted an application for active membership.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGE

Carl Schilling submitted a letter in regards to a status change. He would like to go back to Active Life Member. Tim Boel makes the motion to having Carl Schilling back in as an active member. Todd Cullum seconds the motion. The motion is carried with Paul Benson in opposition.

SIX MONTH PROBATION

Jake Hallenback is eligible to have the probationary status removed. Chris Linck makes a motion to terminate the probation status. Tracy Britt seconds the motion. President Tooker spoke on Jake's behalf stating that Jake makes every fundraiser and just about every fire call when he is done for the day at the high school. The motion is carried by the membership. Jake is a fully fledged firefighter.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

President Tooker reports that Clark Roehr has a total of 4 points. He is not eligible for Life Membership at this time due to being deficient in points. Jim Morgan has obtained sufficient points and he is eligible for Life Membership status. Bob Crain makes a motion for Jim Morgan to be a Life Member. Matt Sullivan seconds the motion. The motion carries with Brian Morgan in opposition.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President Tooker asked the non-members of the Fire Company to depart the meeting at this time due to the Audit and Finance Committee report. The President urges the membership to allow the Committee to give their full report and then comment. The following report and information was presented by Nelson Williams, Dave Becker, and Tom White.

**East Greenbush Fire Company
68 Phillips Road
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Supplement to the Report of the Audit and Finance Committee regarding the Chief's Checking Account

Overview

The Audit and Finance Committee has been asked by the President to examine the bank account(s) associated with The Chief's Checking Account. The Committee initially needed to get a better understanding of how the Chiefs, past chief's and executive officers perceived its use.

The Committee interviewed the President, past and present Chiefs¹ to provide the committee with a better understanding of the purpose of the Chief's Checking Account. Of the officers interviewed, all agreed with three underlying purposes:

1. To provide a means to pay for the Annual Commissioner's dinner.
2. To provide a means to pay for food at the September meeting of the East Greenbush Fire Company.
3. To provide a means for easy access of funds for refreshments at an emergency, such as a mutual aid or large scale incident.

The committee has now established some guidelines of past practice to be used to analyze the chief's checking account(s).

Description of Accounts

Traditionally the Chief's Checking Account was held by 1 banking institution; TD Banknorth (account number 7186569231) located on Route 4 in East Greenbush. However, the Fire Chief initiated a second checking account in September of 2011 at First Niagara Bank (account number 7900667762) located on routes 9&20 in East Greenbush. During this examination it was discovered both checking accounts were being used from September 2011 through December 2011 with debits and credits being posted to each account making reconciliation very time consuming. Both accounts including all debits and credits were reviewed from January 1st 2009 through the present day. Although some of the transactions met the guidelines of past practices, many inconsistencies and questionable transactions were discovered. A few of these inconsistencies and questionable transactions are explained below.

Findings

1. The TD Banknorth checking account was closed on December 16th 2011 with a remaining balance of \$56.40. The committee attempted to find a corresponding deposit in the First Niagara account and after examining all deposits made after December 16th 2011 at First Niagara Bank no deposit matching \$56.40 or combination of deposits was found to contain this amount. The committee also examined all receipts available to us and found no corresponding expense for this amount. After careful consideration by the audit and finance committee we could not eliminate the remaining balance withdrawn from TD Banknorth for \$56.40 on December 16th 2011 was spent outside of the guidelines of past practice and remains unaccounted for.

¹ Individuals interviewed: President Tooker, Past Chief David A. Cook, Past Chief and company president Tim Tordoff, Past Chief Rich Williams Past chief George Forgea, Treasurer Paul Benson, Past Chief Ron Yeates, Past Chief Tim Boel, Past District and Company Treasurer Nelson Williams, Past Chief Mike Benson

2. During the Committee's examination it was noticed many expenditures from the chief's checking account was for equipment, training and other East Greenbush Fire district expenses. The Committee requested the Fire District Secretary to help with an explanation of expenses and it was found many of these same expenses also have been submitted for reimbursement from the Fire District by the fire chief. The Committee then looked for deposits to the chief's checking account matching the reimbursement from the fire district.
- a) The first example involves both active chief's checking accounts, comprising of 5 transactions totaling \$245.00. On 10/5/2011 (TD) check # 1244 for \$40.00 to motor vehicle, 10/17/2011 two (TD) debit card transactions to motor vehicle for \$40.00 each, 09/21/2011 (TD) check # 1243 for \$75.00 to Battalion 2 Fire Chiefs assoc. and 12/07/2011 (FN) Check # 133 for \$50.00. The Fire District secretary produced for the committee a purchase order #1342 dated 12/11/2011 for \$245.00. This purchase order is signed by Edward Di Martino requesting reimbursement for aforementioned expenses. The Fire District paid Edward Di Martino on 12/27/2011 with check #10373 for \$245.00. The Committee then began to look for a corresponding deposit to either of the chief's checking accounts in the amount of \$245.00. The Committee was unable to locate any deposit for this amount or combination of deposits that would include this amount. Therefore the committee concluded the money was missing and unaccounted for.
 - b) Another transaction under review is dated 01/31/2012 (FN) check number 105 for \$247.15 paid to TD bank. This check was deposited in the Fire District's checking account for several expenses incurred by the fire chief. Breakdowns of these expenses are as follows: 12/20/2011 Ez-pass paid by credit card ending in 2058, 12/20/2011 Advanced Auto-care paid by credit card ending in 9995, 01/24/2012 Eliza Pizza paid by credit card ending in 2058, 01/24/2012 Applebees paid for by credit card ending in 9875. The Fire District Secretary provided the Committee with the Visa credit card holders at the time of this transaction, they are as follows: Fire Chief Di Martino (2058) Asst Chief Lehmann (5532), Asst Chief Hitchcock (9875) and Asst. Chief Prestipino (9995). The fire chief requested such reimbursement on 02/13/2012 by presenting a purchase order itemizing expenses in the amount of 247.15. At that time the Board of Fire Commissioners request an explanation of expenses. On 03/12/2012 the Board received a letter from the chief explaining due to vacation and job schedule he paid the January Fire District credit card bill out of his own pocket. (Refer to letter to the Board of Fire Commissioners dated March 22, 2012). With the Board of Fire Commissioners apparently satisfied with the explanation given by the fire chief the Board approved payment to Chief Di Martino on March 13, 2012 Check number 10449 in the amount of \$247.15. The Committee was unable to locate any deposit in the Chief's Checking Account for this amount or combination of deposits that would include this amount. Therefore the committee concluded the money was missing and unaccounted for.

3. On 06/04/2010 A TD banknorth check number 1220 was written payable to Edward Di Martino and it was also signed by Edward Di Martino. The amount of the check is \$500.00 and the notation in the memo section was "ladies aux. dinner". The committee requested, from the current President of the East Greenbush Fire Ladies Auxiliary Jeanne Mastin, more information regarding the annual dinner held each year in June. The president provided the committee with the meeting minutes from 05/19/2010 stating the dinner will be held on Wednesday June 2, 2010 at 6pm at Café Italia. The cost of the dinner will be \$25.00 per person. Alcoholic beverages will not be included in the price. After interviewing several members of the ladies Auxiliary many said the fire chief stated he will pay for the entire dinner including appetizers and beverages. However the Ladies Auxiliary reimbursed him \$300.00 with check number 679. According to the roster, filed in the minutes, 12 members of the Ladies Auxiliary attended the dinner. The committee calculated the cost of the dinners, appetizers and beverages to be an average of \$40.00 per person. See calculations below:

15 people including the Chief and his family X \$40.00 per person = \$600.00.

The committee concluded the chief had \$800.00 at his disposal for disbursement at the Ladies Auxiliary Dinner therefore \$200.00 is missing and unaccounted for.

Again this is a few examples of the inconsistencies and questionable transactions this committee has found. Many more of these inconsistencies need to be investigated and some beyond the expertise of this committee.

All documentation used to compile this report is contained and included in the Insurance Company Claim File.

Cc: William Young Esq.

Jeff Tooker, President East Greenbush Fire Company

The audit and finance committee has compiled the following information and recommendations for consideration. To start with you as members of the Fire Company should be aware of the following. All documents that we have compiled have and will continue to be turned over to the attorney. After he has received and reviewed everything a copy will be put in the Fire Company records. A copy will be included in the insurance report. It should be noted that the Fire District was very helpful in this project and have reimbursed the Fire Company for some District expense that the Fire Company paid for. The amount of charges the committee has found to be in dispute between F/N and T/D bank total \$10,264.73. This is not the only amount, Dave has some other to be added to this which he has been working on and will define later.

- 1) There were 4 chiefs signatures until Ed was elected, then only his.
- 2) Three individuals other than Ed issued/signed checks on the account,
- 3) Dave B. spoke to most of the past chief(s) and there was a general understanding of what the account was to be used for.
- 4) There were inappropriate expenses paid for (massages as a example) but Ed was not held accountable for them because we established a past practice by previous chief(s).
- 5) If the committee could not justify the expense as a company expense then it was submitted to the insurance company for consideration.
- 6) A letter to Ed was sent by Attorney William Young requesting any Fire Company items he may still have and all receipts he may have to help resolve the question on the expenses.
- 7) The District expenses paid through the chiefs account have been or are being reimbursed by the District.
- 8) Ed had maintained two chiefs accounts in 2011 when he was told by the District to close out the TD Bank account. This was from August through December.
- 9) There were reimbursements made by the district to Ed that were not deposited in the chiefs account.
- 10) This has all been reviewed by Attorney William Young and his advice is for the company to file a insurance claim and recover our losses. It is his opinion that this is the cleanest way to handle the matter.
- 11) A insurance claim has been filed with VFIS on behalf of the Fire Company for the misuse of the Chiefs checking account. A number of items have been requested by VFIS and they will be submitted following this meeting. The insurance policy does not require that this incident be reported to the local police agency so no report has been filed. Upon receipt of the supporting documentations by VFIS the Audit Committee will work with VFIS and a payment will be made closing this issue. Upon payment, VFIS may civilly try to recoup from Ed the payment that is made to the Fire Company.
- 12) To end future problems the committee recommends the chiefs checking account be closed and be replaced with a front loaded credit card. Fire District items will be handled by District policies.
- 13) See attachments for actual figures of monies in question.

R.S. Nelson Williams Chairman with much help from committee members Dave B. , Jim. C., and Tom W.

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The Audit and Finance Committee asked Attorney Bill Young to send a letter to Ed Di Martino requesting any paperwork, receipts and any other equipment Ed has in his possession be returned to the Fire Company or District. Ed was given 10 days upon receipt of the letter to act. On December 17, 2012 at the 23rd hour Ed dropped off an envelope with, based on the spreadsheet provided, 126 receipts dating back to January 25, 2009. This was a hastily assembled spreadsheet because the dates are in date order but the vendors/events are alphabetized. Also, the spreadsheet does not indicate who attended or was entertained. So, the spreadsheet as presented is a useless justification of the use of the account.

I know for a fact that since October Ed was told by numerous members that he should cooperate and turn in the receipts and paperwork he had in his possession. It's obvious that this request was not taken seriously.

A number of the notations are: speaker, guest speaker, NYAFC, Fire Expo 11, food speaker and if anyone can tell me FDIC. Another notation is a "chill contest." Chili?

The receipts themselves will be merged into the spreadsheets prepared by the Committee but at this time it is uncertain what additional information they will provide.

Tom White also added that Ed did drop off an envelope. There were 126 receipts dating back to January 2009. Spreadsheet still right now does not show accurate depiction. There may still be some questionable items such as spending approximately \$2,000.00 at Café Italia and almost \$1,800 at Paolo Lombardi's.

President Tooker summarized the Chief Checking Account as the only money in that account is the \$5,500 per year. Front loaded credit card may not be the best idea down the road, Resolutions 5 and 6 were passed. Kevin as Car 1 is cautious with what is spent. A motion is made by Frank Jenkins and seconded by Rich Edberg to accept the report. George Forgea hopes this is a lesson for everyone. We all got jammed by Ed Di'Martino's activities. George points out that the Fire District has changed things 100%. Jeff asks if the Audit and Finance Committee has reconciled everything of the \$10,000 that is alleged to be missing. Receipts were just turned in by Ed D to the committee, Dave Becker states it takes time and Nelson states more time would be needed. There is more material that needs to be turned over to an organization with more expertise. Turn this over to the insurance company for what was lost, hopefully in time the Past Chief will talk to someone. That motion is made by Dave Becker. R.P. Smith seconds Dave's motion. Mike Benson Sr. thanked the Committee for their time, Mike reports he is absolutely floored as a member of this Fire Company, as a Past President, and as a Past Chief. Mike Benson Sr. continues to point out that at no time that he can recall where a Chief has taken monies from the Chief's account to purchase fire equipment. Mike points out to our newer members that there is an equipment budget line from the Fire District that those monies are for buying equipment Mike Benson Sr. agrees with the motion made. All members were in favor of accepting the report and of forwarding the material for more expertise to the insurance company.

President Tooker reports Ed Di'Martino has been on suspension and is currently on suspension. Frank Jenkins makes motion to keep him on suspension until VFIS (insurance company) report is complete. It is pointed out to the President that the report could possibly take more than a few weeks, possibly a month or two. Jim Alcombright seconds the motion. Tom White asks why we are going to prolong this suspension. Tom White feels there is enough evidence to get rid of Ed Di'Martino. Frank Jenkins amends motion to remove Ed D from the roles of the fire company. Jim Alcombright seconds the amended motion. President Tooker read the by-laws regarding the removal of the members. Ed will be invited to the January meeting as

per the E.G. Fire Co by-laws. Chris Linck states that it must be said that the suspension is uplifted at the meeting so Ed can attend the meeting to defend himself. Rich Edberg queries the President about Ed's presence on Fire Company property from here on out after he is tossed out permanently. President Tooker reports that Ed can attend functions as a "guest" on Fire Company property.

Past Chief Rick Williams makes a motion that Ed Di'Martino does not receive Past Chief status. R.P. Smith seconds the motion. Tim Boel reminds Rick and the membership that we have not terminated Ed Di'Martino yet. Bob Lehmann asks the President about the process. Jeff states that he will be sending Ed a letter tomorrow. Ed will be invited to the January meeting to defend himself. A secret ballot shall be taken to terminate him as a member. Rick Williams reports that he wants his motion tabled for 1 month. R.P. Smith agrees, and Rick's original motion is tabled for a month.

Flooring- President J. Tooker reports that Mike Memole has spent a lot of time receiving quotes and dealing with Rochester Flooring. It appears to be in our best interest not to go with carpet anymore. It is recommended from Rochester Flooring that VCT flooring be placed downstairs in the member's lounge. No samples were provided at this time, but Mike Memole will get a hold of the representative from the floor company and have samples provided and the representative will also speak to the Fire Company at the January meeting if necessary. All of this was also discussed at the Executive Board meeting and it was their recommendation that we receive a sample of the flooring product.

Projector Project- Bill Sigsby reports that \$2,500.00 needed to complete having the projector installed in the Banquet Hall. Bill makes the formal motion and Tom Whittemore seconds the motion. Bob Lehmann reports the District will meet halfway. Mike Benson Sr. confirms Assistant Chief's statement and reports the fire company itself will make more money with the projector. Mike reports the investment is minor at this time. Mike suggests that possibly the Board of Directors can develop a price for use of a projector in the hall rental package. Mike stated that in his business meetings he attends on a consistent basis that places like Comfort Inn charge approximately \$35 for use of projector. All members were in favor of having this project completed with the funds that are needed and splitting between the Fire Company and Fire District.

NEW BUSINESS

President Tooker reports to the membership that Mike Stafford has been awarded the snow plowing bid for the Park Station. Jeff advises the membership that the bid was awarded prior to this meeting at the Executive Board meeting.

The Queensbury Central Fire Department is having their annual "Smoker" (annual dinner) on December 28th. See Pete Lehmann if interested in attending.

Adopt a Family for the Holidays- Greg Forgea reports that a mother her 4 children could be our family to adopt. This is the same family the Ladies Auxiliary is adopting. We could go halfway with the Auxiliary. They spent \$400.00; perhaps we could actually spend the same amount? Bob Lehmann makes a motion to spend \$400.00. Rich Hendricks seconds the motion and the motion is carried.

President Tooker informs the membership that a \$600.00 check was forwarded to the Fire Company from the Fire District. This is from the Chief Checking account. Apparently it's refunded monies. Ed bought Pike Poles worth \$600.0. Monies are re-imbursed back to the Fire Company. This is our money and it was recommended by Mike Benson Jr. at the Executive Board meeting to deposit this money into the 2016, 100th Anniversary budget line. This way the money will benefit every member possible in a cordial manner for a fraternal event. Rich Edberg makes the formal motion. Nick Madore seconds the motion and the motion carries.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ELECTIONS OF EXECUTIVE AND LINE OFFICERS FOR 2013

President Jeff Tooker appoints the ballot administrators to be the 2012 Chief Officers: Kevin Hitchcock, Mike Prestipino, Bob Lehmann, and Chris Dick.

President is a contested race. After a contested race between Tim Boel and Tim Tordoff it was determined after a vote, the President for 2013 is Tim Boel.

After a contested race between Liz Losee and Nancy Baker for Financial Secretary it was determined after a vote the Financial Secretary for 2013 is Nancy Baker.

Mike Benson Sr. makes a motion for the Secretary to cast 1 ballot for the positions of Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and Sergeant at Arms (uncontested races). Chuck Hellmuth seconds the motion and the motion carries. Vice President for 2013 is Marc Iorio, Recording Secretary is Mike Benson Jr., Treasurer is Paul Benson, and Sergeant at Arms is Rich Hendricks. Bob Lehmann withdraws his name for consideration for the position of Membership Secretary. This race is now uncontested as only Nick Madore appears on the ballot. Chuck Hellmuth makes a motion for the Secretary to cast a ballot for Nick Madore as Membership Secretary. Bill Sigsby seconds the motion. The motion carries; Nick Madore is the 2013 Membership Secretary.

Board of Directors race was contested between David A. Cook, Dave Becker, Dennis Kennedy, George Forgea, and Tom White. After the contested race it was determined after the vote that the Board of Directors for 2013 are Dave Becker, Dennis Kennedy, and Tom White. The first two names mentioned are for full terms. The final winner will continue with Tim Boel's term as he now forgoes that position due to being elected President for 2013.

Captains- Tom Gullo withdrew his name from consideration. The race is still contested between Mike Benson Jr., Greg Forgea, Tracy Britt, Chris Cargain, Anthony Proulx, and Rich Edberg. The Captains for 2013 are Mike Benson Jr., Chris Cargain, Greg Forgea, Rich Edberg and Anthony Proulx.

Lieutenants- Anthony Proulx's name is removed from consideration due to winning Captain. This is still a contested race between Mark Becker, David A. Cook, Todd Cullum, Marc Iorio, Nick Madore, and Matt Sullivan. The Lieutenant's for 2013 are Mark Becker, Todd Cullum, Marc Iorio, Nick Madore, and Matt Sullivan.

Foreman- President Tooker reports this is an uncontested race at this time; however there are only four candidates for 5 positions. George Forgea, Bill Sigsby, Ed Wallace, and Joe Whnnicki appear on the ballot. President Tooker opens the floor for nominations. Captain Mike Benson Jr. makes a motion off the floor to nominate R.P. Smith for Foreman. Tim Tordoff seconds the motion. R.P. Smith does accept the nomination and the motion is carried by all members.

Fire Police-Tom Gullo makes a motion for the Secretary to cast a ballot for the candidates for Fire Police Captain and Lieutenants. This is an uncontested race. The Fire Police

Captain for 2013 is Joe Lacivita. The Fire Police Lieutenants are Bob Falls Sr., Tom Whittemore, and Nelson Williams.

Hudson Valley Parade Delegates and Alternates- Chuck Hellmuth is the delegate and Tim Boel is the alternate. The motion was made by both of the said members. The motion carries.

Hudson Mohawk Parade- Greg Forgea is the delegate and Bob Lehmann is the alternate after the said members made the motions. The motion carries.

FASNY Convention-Tim Boel makes a motion that Kathy Miller be the representative. Chuck Hellmuth seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Chris Lavin makes a motion the Fire Company donate use of the banquet hall to the Hart family on December 20th for after the Nikki Hart funeral. The Hart family is very gracious and generous to the Fire Company. Jim Morgan seconds the motion. All members were in favor.

Anthony Proulx makes a motion the Fire Company donate a flower arrangement to the Hart family. Matt Sullivan seconds the motion and the motion carries.

George Forgea thanked the membership for all their support of the Fire District.

Nick Madore wins the 50/50. The fruit basket winner is Ricky Williams after 5 tickets were pulled. Nick Madore donated at least \$40.00 back to the Fire Company and then initiated a fund for the children of Nikki Hart and her family. Other members followed Nick's lead.

Greg Forgea makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Elwin Michel seconds the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 10:21pm with 93 members in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Benson Jr.

Recording Secretary/Captain