



**East Greenbush Fire Company
Fire Company Meeting
October 20, 2015**

The October Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Iorio, in the Banquet Hall.

Rich Hendrick (Sgt at Arms) led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence was observed for our departed members.

Recording Secretary Tooker called the rolls. 55 members were in attendance.

President Iorio stated that the meeting minutes for September were distributed.

A motion was made by Mike Memole, seconded by Rich Hendrick, to accept the minutes as posted. The motion carries.

Financial Secretary Chris Cargain gave his report.

Checks over \$500 were written to Pepsi, Chase Visa Card, DeCresente, Hewitt's, Mike Stafford, Ed Wallace, Monolith Solar, National Grid, Tri City Valley Cats, Rolf's Pork Store, Bob Lehmann, the Postmaster, and Quality Lawn Care.

A motion to accept this report was made by Jim Alcombright, seconded by Nick Madore. The motion carries.

President Iorio gave the Visa Card report.

Charges over \$200 were made to Nationwide Maintenance, Nordic Track, Saratoga Paint and Sip, Yanni's Too, Price Chopper, Pelligrino's, Restaurant Depot, and Price Chopper.

The motion to accept this report was made by Chris Linck, seconded by Mike Lansing. The motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gave his report.

He gave a brief overview of the Chief's Checking Account.

Total income for the month was \$27,143.54, and total expenses were \$25,165.29.

A motion was made by Ed McCabe, seconded by Luke Palmer, to accept this report. The motion carries.

President Tooker read a bevy of communications.

Car 1 (Bob Lehmann) gives his report.

- Refreshments this evening are courtesy the Immanuel Church.
- Accountability boards were distributed by Car 4. We will implement these over the next few months – officer/member sitting in the front seat of the apparatus is the officer in charge of the boards.
- Please follow the BOPs for radio traffic.
- Please stand by in quarters and follow our zone responses. Chiefs/officers will call if help is needed.
- Thanks to A/C Forgea and others for the Pub Ed details.
- Engine 9 is OOS for the paint job, unknown when it will return.
- The VIN scan system in R-11 has been updated, and there is now a plate reader as part of the program.
- Pump testing starts tomorrow here at the Park and help is needed to get apparatus to the Park Station.
- Our BLS NYSDOH EMS number has been restored through 2018.
- There have been 244 calls to date, and thanks for responding!

Car 2 (Chris Dick) gives his report.

- Thanks to Tim Dick and Rich Hendrick who assisted with the equipment removal from Engine 9 before it went OOS.
- Thanked all of the members who helped shuttle trucks over the past couple of weeks.
- Thanked and recognized our members who took Live Fire and FAST.

Car 3 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- Go Mets.

Car 4 (Greg Forgea) gives his report

- Thanks to the guys who are helping with Pub Ed details.
- We are down to about six guys, and an evaluation of Pub Ed will be had at the end of the details this year if the program can continue next year.
- Target has had solar panels installed. These are solar panels where the electricity is stored in the panel itself – the building department is working with Target to figure out how to shut off the panels.

Chris Cargain reports that the North Station will handle clean up tonight.

Bob Lehmann gives the Golf Outing report.

He thanks the members for assisting.

We are awaiting some last minute income to arrive, but we anticipate being around \$14,000 total profit for this outing.

President Iorio reports that this is about 10% of our total operating budget.

Mike Benson Sr. gives the Pizza Night report.

Total profit for the night was \$1,494.57. He thanks the members who were able to attend for working.

President Iorio gives the building use report for September 2015.

Total profit for the month of September was \$818.00.

A motion was made by Rich Hendrick, seconded by Chuck Hellmuth, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

Vice President Benson Jr gives the softball report.

He thanks the guys who played in the Witko Memorial Tournament.

President Iorio reports on the Paint and Sip Fundraiser.
The date is Thursday, November 12 at the Park Station.
The cost is \$45, and we are looking for only about 4-6 members to assist.

Chris Dick reports that the Annual Dinner will take place on Friday, December 4 at 6:00 pm.

Mike Benson Jr. reports that the 100th (can you believe it...) Annual Inspection and Installation Dinner will take place on January 30, 2016 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Troy, NY.
There will be a block of rooms available for \$102.00.
The cocktail hour will begin at 5, and the dinner will begin at 6.
The menu is TBD.

Chris Lavin thanks the membership for their help with the Lick 'Em and Stick 'Em Fund Drive campaign.

Tom Chesser read the fourteen pages of By-Law changes as submitted for this evening.
Bob Lehmann clarifies that many of these changes are designed to bring the Fire Company in line with the regulations that the Fire District is required to adhere to.
President Iorio reports that these will be both emailed out and posted in the stations, and will be voted on at the November meeting.

President Iorio named Pete Lehmann, Mike Benson Sr., and David A. Cook to the Nominating Committee for company elections for December.

Greg Forgea reports that there is a waiting list for the 2016 Convention.
Cost of a room is \$135/night, and the first night's payment is due at the January meeting.

There is one proposal for membership this evening.
Patrick Knappek from 206 Park Avenue, Rensselaer, is applying for active membership.
President Iorio points out that he has paid his \$10 membership fee and it will be tabled for one month.

President Iorio reports that there has been a patch job put down at the Main Station.
He thanks whoever the "Patch Fairy" was.

President Iorio reads a letter from the Fire District regarding having the Annual Chief's Elections on Thursday 12/3 at 7:00 pm to nominate Chief Engineer and three Assistant Chief Engineer.
Letters are due at the November meeting.

Mike Benson Sr. comments on how the "Patch Fairy" did a great job; however, it has been a while since the lot was paved. RP Smith states that it has been since 1994.
Mike Benson Sr. makes a motion to set aside money in the 2016 budget for a paving job.
The cost is \$17,000 to \$25,000 per a guesstimate by RP Smith.
A second was made by Tom Chesser.
Tom Whittemore reports that there are tree stumps that are rotting and this may pose a problem.
Nick Field states that there might be a better solution with concrete.
RP Smith states that road salt might become an overall issue.
President Iorio states that a committee of Nick Field, RP Smith, Mike Benson Sr. and Tom Chesser might be a great idea.
The motion carries.

President Iorio reports that the GreenFiber bins have been removed as the Northeast Plant has closed.

President Iorio allows representatives from Advocare to give a five minute presentation about their product.

President Iorio congratulates Joe and Charlene Winnicki on their recent nuptials.

Chief Lehmann thanks the membership on behalf of Kris Raymond's family.

A/C Tooker reminds people to see him for email and text additions and revisions.

Tonight's 50/50 is \$70. Jim Trimmer is the big winner.

A motion was made by Elwin Michel, seconded by Chuck Hellmuth, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm, just in time for the Mets game.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Tooker
Recording Secretary