



**East Greenbush Fire Company  
Fire Company Meeting  
July 18, 2017**

The July Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by President Lansing, in the Pavilion.

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. 51 members were in attendance.

President Lansing states the June meeting minutes were sent out via email.

A motion was made by Chris Linck, seconded by Ed McCabe, to accept the minutes as posted.

The motion carries.

Financial Secretary Chris Cargain gives his report.

49 checks were written in June.

Checks over \$500 went to Charlene Winnicki, Crescent Moon Catering, Galls, Chase Card Services, National Grid, Verizon, Alpine Refrigeration, Tracy Cullum, Crown Cleaners, and Otis Elevator.

A motion was made by Luke Palmer, seconded by Kathy Miller, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

President Lansing gave the Visa Card report.

Charges over \$200 were made at OTC Brands, Bates Footwear, BJ's Wholesale, Restaurant Depot, Thruway Beverage, Pot Belly Deli, Empire Wine and Liquor, Dick's Sporting Goods, Carrier Transicold, Duffy's Tavern, Price Chopper, and Walmart.

A motion was made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Jim Alcombright, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gave his report.

Total income for the month of June was \$2,872.00 and total expenses were \$31,880.17.

A motion was made by Jeff Wasileski, seconded by Tim Boel, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

Secretary Tooker read various communications for the body.

**Report of the Officers**

Car 1 (Bob Lehmann) gave his report.

- Truck 11 is out of service, being repaired. There is no return date.
- Engine 9's wireless headset is out of service, being repaired.
- The rear driver's side door to the cab is being looked at by Arrowhead.
- The Rensselaer County pager and radio project is progressing. The latest memo states that the pagers will be operational by early September on the new VHF frequency. There will be no more low band paging. There will be a time and a place to return our old low band pagers.
- The construction on the Luther Road sidewalk project has started.
- New building plans are hanging in the training room in the Training Room at the Park Station.
- There will be housing development on Phillips Road and on Elliot Road.
- There will be a new Fucillo Ford building soon.
- Thanks to all of the members who helped out with the front of the Park Station.

Car 2 (Jeff Tooker) gave his report.

- There has not been an updated Rensselaer County Fire Training schedule since early April.
- Keep an eye on IAmResponding for any training class updates.

Car 3 (Greg Forgea) gives his report.

- There will be paving on Third Avenue Extension in our district in the coming weeks.
- There will be a fire prevention on August 28 during the day.
- Thanks to the guys who helped with the DFD mutual aid fire alarm.

Car 4 (Mike Benson, Jr.) gave his report.

- The Foreman will be holding a drill on July 25. The topic is water supply operations.
- Use the microphone to call enroute on the radios, not the headsets.

Captain Palmer discussed the open mic issue from a week or so ago.

Crews are also very light during the day. Help if you can!

Captain Lansing reminds us to hydrate during the hot days.

Assistant Chief Benson, Jr. stated that the driver recertification charts will be out soon.

Fire Police Captain Tom Whittemore states that the pack flow tests will take place during the third week in August.

### Report of the Committees

President Lansing read the Building Use report for June.

Total income for the month of June was \$3,728.50.

Charlene Winnicki also included the totals for the last three years and states that her 2017 efforts would probably exceed these amounts.

President Lansing thanks Charlene for her hard work.

George Forgea states that the North Station is working on the drainage, the lights, and the paving issues.

Greg Forgea states that a citizen stopped him and thanked him for the paint job at the North.

President Lansing would like to know who left the mattress outside of the dumpster at the Main Station.

There is no report from the Park Station.

President Lansing makes a request to not take any ice from the Pavilion ice machine.

He states that a person caught taking ice will face a 30 day suspension.

Charlene states there are rentals, more or less, every Friday/Saturday/Sunday for the rest of the summer.

Mike Benson, Jr. states that there are cameras to record this activity.

Nick Madore states that you can get a 30-lb bag of ice for \$7.99.

Mike Benson, Jr. inquires as to why the Pavilion bathroom toilets are constantly full of human waste.

He is asking for more in the way of a cleaning.

Chuck Hellmuth states that there are lists for what needs to be cleaned right inside the door at the Pavilion kitchen.

Greg Forgea requests that anybody who borrowed anything for the HVVFA Convention to please return it. The Greene County parade is September 9.

Nick Liuzzi reports that the softball team is 4-4 and the last game will be July 21 at 6pm at Guzzler's Park.

Bob Lehmann reports that the Golf Outing planning is underway.

Forms will be out shortly for the event on 9/24.

We will need all hands on deck for this fundraiser.

Pete Lehmann reports that the Scholarship Committee will meet Tuesday 7/25 at 7pm at HQ.

Mike Benson, Sr. reports that Life Members Day will be on Sunday, September 10.

Save the dates went out.

Mike Benson, Jr. pitches the idea for a members-only Golf Outing.

He will co-chair this event with Jeff Wasileski.

A motion was made by Anthony Gullo, seconded by Tim Boel, to proceed with this outing.

The motion carries.

David A. Cook discusses the possibility of a memorial for our departed members here at the Park Station.

He states he has been in contact with Bob Durivage from Defreestville FD, and we may explore the acquisition of a piece of steel from the World Trade Center, as they were able to do.

A meeting for this committee will be forthcoming.

Vice President Iorio reports that there will be family fun day at the EGFD on August 26.

Sign-up sheets will be coming soon.

Talk of the Town catering will be serving between 1:30 and 3:30 pm.

This will be a child-friendly event.

Bob Lehmann requested a hand count for those interested.

### Proposals for Membership

There are no proposals for membership this evening.

### Election of Members

Ryan Condo and Erin Condo are up for votes this evening.

David A. Cook points out that their grandfather was our Treasurer for many years, and their grandmother was the Ladies Auxiliary President for many years as well.

Ryan Condo is up for a vote.

A motion was made by Jeff Wasileski, seconded by Luke Palmer, to make Ryan Condo a member. The motion carries.

Erin Condo is up for a vote.

A motion is made by Luke Palmer, seconded by Nick Liuzzi, to make Erin Condo a member. The motion carries.

### Unfinished Business

Luke Palmer reports that the LED light project is complete.

There is one ballast at the North that needs to be completed.

There will be a final walk-through tomorrow afternoon.

Lights that were installed here in the Pavilion were done for free.

George Forgea reports that there are actually three lights missing at the North.

Nick Madore states that he was told they were taken down over six years ago.

He states that there is one 8-foot light and one 4-foot light that need to be installed.

The cost for doing this would be \$375.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Pete Lehmann, to spend \$375 to make the necessary installations.

The motion carries.

President Lansing discussed the fire alarm system that is being repaired at the Park Station.

He is meeting tomorrow at 1:30 pm with the fire alarm inspection company.

### New Business

President Lansing discussed the Park Station ice machine.

A compressor broke and it will cost \$2,500 to repair.

This repair comes with a two year warranty.

Jim Alcombright asks how much a new machine would cost.

President Lansing replies that it would be about \$6,000.

Mike Benson, Jr. discusses the issues that it had last year.

Nick Madore suggests getting a new one in addition to the other two.

President Lansing states that it could be an option in 2018.

Vice President Iorio states that Membership Secretary Lacivita informed him and the rest of the Review Board that the following Ladies Auxiliary members have been in the arrears for dues for several years and are no longer members of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Those members are Betsy Britt, Sara Crain, Amy Johnson, and Christine Earing.

Vice President Iorio suggests that a motion should be made to drop them from the Company Rolls.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Mike Benson, Jr., to drop these four people from the Company Rolls.

The motion carries.

#### Good of the Order

A request for a donation to the Rensselaer County Fire Chief's Association was received.

This is to cover the costs to their barbeque at the Fireman's home.

A motion was made by Bob Lehmann, seconded by Tim Boel, to donate \$200 to the Rensselaer County Fire Chief's Association for these expenses.

Tim Boel reports that the Association is about \$700 in the hole for this event.

The motion carries.

Mike Benson, Jr. congratulates Mark Becker, who has been hired as an Albany Airport firefighter.

Chris Linck reports that he is in receipt of a fifty-year certificate for Hubie Ashley.

A motion was made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Mike Benson, Jr., to hang this certificate downstairs at the Park Station.

The motion carries.

David A. Cook makes a motion, seconded by Tim Boel, to hang the certificate above Hubie's picture in the hallway.

The motion carries.

David A. Cook reminds members that the ticks are out in force this year.

Also, he congratulates Mark Becker for his new job.

George Forgea welcomes back Jim Alcombright.

Tim Boel states that is quite impressive to see close to 60 members at a meeting in the middle of summer, when you drive by other firehouses and see maybe 10 cars in the lot.

Tonight's 50/50 is \$64. The winner is Greg Forgea.

President Lansing reports that clean up tonight will be Explorers.

He also reports that the food for August will be Fire Police and Ladies Auxiliary.

A motion to adjourn was made by Luke Palmer, seconded by Chuck Alger.

The motion carries, and the meeting is adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Tooker

Recording Secretary