



**East Greenbush Fire Company
Fire Company Meeting
August 15, 2017**

The August Meeting was called to order at 7:05 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 turns the meeting over to Past Chief/Scholarship Chair Pete Lehmann.

Pete states that two scholarships were awarded.

Davis Kakely returned his check, as he is enlisted with the United States Marine Corps.

The other scholarship recipient is Bailey Caruso.

Congratulations to Bailey!

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

A motion was made by Matt Sullivan, seconded by Luke Palmer, to accept the minutes as posted.

The motion carries.

Financial Secretary Chris Cargain gives his report.

35 checks were written in July.

Checks over \$500 went to Park Lane Motel, National Grid, Republic Services, Whalen Tents, Becker's Farm, Galls, Chase Card Services, Charlene Winnicki, Capital Tint, Spenergy, Verizon, Monolith Solar, Brad Rose Landscaping, JCB Specialties, and Abele.

A motion was made by Kathy Miller, seconded by Chuck Hellmuth, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

President Lansing states that Assistant Chief Benson, Jr. is passing out a golf outing sign-up sheet to work the outing, as well as the Greene County Parade sign-up sheet.

President Lansing gave the Visa Card report.

Charges over \$200 were made at Price Chopper and Amer/Grill.

A motion was made by Tim Boel, seconded by Chris Linck, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gave his report.

Total income for the month of July was \$58,946.33, and total expenses were \$66,198.78.

A motion was made by Jim Pendolino, seconded by Ed McCabe, 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.

- The North Station lot is currently being used by the sidewalk construction crew. Please do not use the North Station for any reason.
- Pub Ed is coming. Please watch for the schedule.
- There is a sign-up sheet coming around for the Greene County Parade on 9/9.
- There will be a family picnic in the Pavilion at 12pm on 8/26.
- There will be an officer's meeting at 7pm on Thursday 9/7.
- There is missing equipment – please keep your eyes out for it.
- If you have text/email changes for IAMResponding – please make the changes on the form in the mailroom at the Park Station and submit it.
- There are internet issues at the North Station – they will hopefully be addressed soon.
- Rescue 11 is currently out for annual maintenance, and then Engine 9 and Engine 7 after that.
- SCBA testing is coming up.
- There have been 212 calls for service thus far this year. Please try and make the calls that you can.
- Monday 8/21 is the Commissioner's budget meeting. All are invited to attend.
- Thanks to those who have shown up to calls.

Car 2 (Jeff Tooker) gave his report.

- There is a missing strainer and an oxygen bottle from Rescue 11. Please return them if you have them.

Car 3 (Greg Forgea) gave his report.

- Please do not go onto the North Station property due to the construction.
- Use caution when responding on Luther Road.

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

- There will be an extrication drill next Tuesday.
- The drill schedule for the remainder of 2017 is all set and will be sent out ASAP.

Captain Palmer reminds people to close the door at the Bruen building when leaving at night with the apparatus.

Report of the Committees

President Lansing gives the Building Use report.

There were 16 rentals in July.

Total income was \$6,490.50.

The year to date income is \$27,059.85.

A motion was made by Kathy Miller, seconded by Matt Wasileski, to accept this report.

The motion carries.

Greg Forgea reiterates that the end of the construction is coming at the North Station.

RP Smith states that the Main Station is all set.

Jake Hallenbeck requests that the people using the Park Station keep it clean.

He makes a motion, seconded by Mike Benson, Jr., to spend up to \$500 to update the bathrooms.

The motion carries.

President Lansing reports that the 2018 Installation Banquet deposit was received by the Hilton Garden Inn in Troy.

Mike Benson, Sr. reports that the first Pizza Night is slated for September 9.

There is a 60s CHS Alumni reunion party as well as the Greene County parade and parking will be at a premium. He requests that the Banquet Manager keep the 60s party parking down near the Pavilion so that the Pizza Night crowd can park. The members who are parading can park on the lawn.

He also notes that Emily Proulx is working hard on the placemats.

Vice President Iorio gives a brief update on the budget.

We are at 73% of our revenue for 2017 and at 53% of our expenses.

Jeanne Mastin reports out on the Life Members Day.

It is on Sunday, September 10 and invitations were sent out.

Help will be needed for bartending.

Food and gifts are all set.

Bob Lehmann gives a Golf Outing report.

If anybody wants to golf, he needs money in hand ASAP.

Sponsors and their money are needed ASAP.

There are two sign-up sheets going around.

This is our biggest fundraiser – it is an all hands on deck event.

Bob Lehmann reminds people to sign up tonight for the company picnic on 8/26.

Food will be served 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

Greg Forgea reports that the Greene County parade is September 9.
Lineup is 1:00 pm, step-off is at 2:00 pm, and we will leave the Park Station around 9:00 am.
Please sign up if you can attend.

Josh Witko reports that the Witko Tournament is on September 23.
He states it is a family friendly event, with a bounce house
Mike Benson, Jr. makes a motion, seconded by Matt Sullivan, to allocate the appropriate funds for this event.
The motion carries.

Unfinished Business

President Lansing reports that the LED Lighting and Energy Savings program.
A comparison from July 2016 to July 2017 shows a \$1,273.39 savings.
Tim Boel states that the decrease is in the kilowatt hours and that is the large savings.
President Lansing thanks Luke Palmer for all of his hard work.

President Lansing reports that the new fire alarm is awaiting the final touches and should be all set very soon.

President Lansing reports that the patio project is done. He thanks Bob Lehmann for all of his work on this project.

Greg Forgea reports that he will need to work with Liuzzi Brothers on the paving of the North Station lot once the construction is complete.

President Lansing reports that the following members received letters from the Review Board for having less than 25 points by June 30, 2017: Nick Field, Pat Knapek, Brian Morgan, Jill Kaufman, Paul Wells, Chris Cargain, Eric Long, and Bob Fish.

Luke Palmer discussed the solar project and the potential savings.
Bob Lehmann states if the project can save about \$10,000 a year, then the project will be paid off in two years.

New Business

Vice President Iorio discusses a "pass the hat" for Jim Alcombright.

Vice President Iorio reads a resignation letter from Srinith Badda Reddy.
He has relocated to Albany County.
A motion was made by Anthony Gullo, seconded by RP Smith, to accept this resignation.
The motion carries.

Vice President Iorio reads a resignation letter from Pat Knapek.
A motion was made by Luke Palmer, seconded by Jim Pendolino, to accept this resignation.
The motion carries.

Vice President Iorio reads a letter from Brian Morgan.
He is requesting a change to social member status.
A motion was made by Tim Boel, seconded by Chuck Rossbach, to accept this resignation.
The motion carries.

Bob Lehmann reports that the new lights look great.
He is inquiring if a timer could be placed on the lights to run them nightly from 8pm to 12am.
A motion is made by Bob Lehmann, seconded by Tim Boel, to honor this request.
Chuck Hellmuth states he can assist with this request.
The motion carries.

Bob Lehmann makes a motion, seconded by Mike Benson, Jr., to donate tonight's 50/50 company proceeds to Jim Alcombright.
The motion carries.

Luke Palmer states that the plow operators for the fire company need to have liability insurance.
Chris Linck states that Bob Dingum reported that this is needed.
President Lansing states that he will ensure that this is part of the bid for 2018.

President Lansing discussed the garbage issues in and around the Park Station.
He discussed the potential exploration of a private cleaning company to come in and clean the Park.
Tim Boel is very passionate about this issue, and educates the membership on alternative ways to dispose of garbage (i.e. your own garbage pickup, the Transfer station, etc.) in lieu of the dumpster. Additionally, the person who threw a treadmill into the dumpster at the Park is "an imbecile".
Tim Boel also offers financial aid for those who cannot afford their own ice and continue to raid the Park Station ice machine.
Luke Palmer requests that the social members be notified of the ice issues.
Charlene Winnicki reports that clean ups are needed.

Mike Benson Jr. reports that Joe Winnicki has been repairing things around the Park and is appreciative of that.

Good of the Order

Vice President Iorio reports that the "pass the hat" netted \$203 for Jim Alcombright.

Vice President Iorio report that the HVVFA is requesting money for the Fireman's Home.
A motion was made by Tim Boel, seconded by Chris Linck, to send \$100.
The motion carries.

Jeanne Mastin reports that the Rebuilding Warriors Foundation is having a fundraiser this Saturday and is seeking donations.

A motion was made by Jake Hallenbeck, seconded by Anthony Gullo, to send this organization \$250.00.

The motion carries.

Mike Benson, Sr. inquires with the President regarding the new tables that were supposed to be purchased for the Park Station.

President Lansing designates Benny Sr. to get the tables.

Mike Benson, Jr. inquires as to the location of the dumpsters on wheels to move garbage from the Banquet Hall to the dumpster.

Rich Hendrick reports that they are in the shed.

Mike Benson, Jr. requests that they are moved to the Banquet Hall.

Chris Linck follows up with the Rebuilding Warriors request – this organization provides service dogs to veterans.

Charlene Winnicki is looking for two bartenders and a barback for the 60s CHS Reunion party on 9/9. Also, we need people for parking from 4pm to 5pm.

See Charlene if you can assist.

Tim Boel discusses the Cancer Study that VFIS is working on.

A motion was made by Tim Boel, seconded by Anthony Gullo, to have the Fire Company support this study with no personal information.

The motion carries.

Tonight's 50/50 is \$63. The winner is Matt Sullivan.

Matt donates his portion to Jim Alcombright.

A motion is made by Elwin Michel, seconded by Chuck Alger, to adjourn.

The motion carries.

The meeting is adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Tooker

Recording Secretary