



**East Greenbush Fire Company  
Fire Company Meeting  
May 15, 2018**

The May Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Lansing.

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

Recording Secretary Pendolino called the rolls. 51 members in attendance.

President Lansing states that the April Company and Executive Board Meeting minutes were sent out via email by Recording Secretary Pendolino.

A motion was made by Rich Hendrick, seconded by Kathy Miller, to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his report. 34 checks were written.

Checks over \$500: Otis Elevator, National Grid, Chase Card Service, Dignum & Bame Ins, Nick Goyer, Christopher Lavin, Verizon, DeCresente Distribution, Eastern Heating

A motion is made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Mike Benson Jr, to accept the report. Motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$11,200.47 and total expenses were \$31,718.89.

A motion is made by Chuck Rossbach, seconded by Marc Iorio, to accept the report. Motion carries.

President Lansing gave the Visa Bill report. There were 2 charges over \$200 to Restaurant Depot and one charge over \$200 to Albany Steel.

A motion is made by Luke Palmer, seconded by Nick Field, to accept the report. Motion carries.

President Lansing states communications will be held till Good of the Order.

**Report of the Officers**

Car 1 (Bob Lehmann) gives his report.

- Chris Lavin and Mark Becker will be honored this year during the Firefighter of the Year Award at the Hudson Valley Convention. We are in need of members to participate in a color guard, if you are available for the color guard please let Car 1 know. There will also be a luncheon.
- Physicals and FIT tests have been completed. A copy of the FIT tests results has been put in your personnel file and given to you by Car 4. This is being done because of the new firefighter cancer bill.
- We transitioned the county radios last week. When you arrive on scene switch to TAC 6 to get instructions from command.
- Bus 11 is in service. This is not a diesel vehicle. If you need to use the bus let a Chief know.
- The Jeep has radios and will be used by the Fire Police to respond to calls.
- Driver recerts are underway. Recerts need to be done by the end of the month. Talk to a member of the recert committee to get your recert completed.
- Engine 8 is coming in a couple of weeks. Estimated arrival date is June 1. There will be a notification when the exact date is known. There will be training on the new Engine 8 starting with North Station members when the engine arrives.
- A crew is needed for Truck 11 on Saturday for the Red Nights Motorcycle blessing at 9am.
- Engine 7 needs a crew on Saturday at 9am for the Miracle League Opening Day.
- Truck 11 needs a crew tomorrow night at 6pm to fix the flag at the Miracle League Field.

Car 2 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- The Rensselaer County Training Tower is currently out of service. The Interior FF class that is starting soon will have to find alternate locations for live burns. If a piece of apparatus is requested to leave Rensselaer County let a Chief know.
- Thank you to the members who helped with the day time hose testing this year.

Car 3 (Greg Forgea) is absent this evening.

Car 4 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- Driver recerts are happening till May 31. Contact a member of the recert committee to complete your recert.
- The drill schedule for June is finalized.
- Car 4 thanks the company for the flowers sent for the birth of his son.
- Welcome back to Davis Kakely and Cameron Poli.

### Report of Committees

President Lansing gives the building use report. There were 10 rentals this month. Total income for the month was \$5,932.50. YTD income was \$12,572.50.

President Lansing asks how the new Shop-Vac at the North Station is working. Various North Station members answer the Shop-Vac works good.

RP Smith states the roof over the stairs closest to Columbia Turnpike at the Main Station is leaking.

Jake Hallenbeck states that there are various improvements going on at the Park Station. The walls have been painted and look nice, try to keep them that way. President Lansing thanks those who participated in the work detail to install the in the large truck bay grates and Rich Hendrick for getting the grates.

President Lansing states that the Giffy's BBQ headed by Vice President Cullum was our most successful yet. Total profit was \$1,207.00. Bob Lehmann sold the most dinners (29) and will receive the \$50 gift card.

Mike Benson Sr. states Life Members Day is Sept 9 at 2pm. Invitations will be going out soon.

Mike Benson Jr. states that since Greg Forgea is not present tonight checks for the remainder of what you owe for the Convention can be given to him. Greg Forgea will be giving further updates for the Convention thru IaR.

President Lansing states any Red Vest members behind on dues should talk to Nick Madore to get caught up.

Anthony Gullo states that the EGFD softball team was disbanded. They are trying to get a softball league started for the northern end of Rensselaer County, if you are interested contact him.

Bob Lehmann states that the East Greenbush Memorial Day Parade is May 26 and the Rensselaer Memorial Day Parade is May 27. If you are in need of a uniform contact him or Greg Forgea. Most of the new uniforms are in for those who got fitted earlier in the year. Greg Forgea will be handing them out starting next week. When you get your uniform make sure it fits.

Bob Lehmann states the Explorer training is going well. Thank you to all who have helped with drills.

#### Proposals for Membership

Vice President Cullum states we received an application from Nickolaus Planty of Onderdonk Ave. The application will be tabled for one month.

#### Election of Members

Vice President Cullum states Mike Memole has submitted a letter to change his membership status to Social Member.

A motion is made by Nick Liuzzi, seconded by Anthony Gullo, to make Mike Memole a Social Member. Motion carries.

Donna Holt is up for a vote. Bob Lehmann states Donna Holt would like to pull her application for membership and will reapply at a later date.

#### Unfinished Business

President Lansing states a pressure washer and push lawn mower has been purchased. Mike Benson Jr asks if they can be used at the other stations. President Lansing states both are only for the Park Station. The pressure washer will be locked up so it doesn't disappear; if the Chief's would like to use the pressure washer for the other stations they need to get ahold of Jim Alcombright to sign it out.

#### New Business

Charlene Winnicki states she is having a hard time finding bartenders and cleaners for events. In order to rent the hall she needs the members help. Possibly having a back up plan for non members willing to help become honorary social members if no members are available to staff events. President Lansing how much bartenders and cleaners make at each event. Charlene Winnicki states that cleaners make \$80 per event if there is only one cleaner and \$40 each if there are two cleaners; bartenders make \$20 plus tips at

each event. President Lansing states we need members to step up and help staff the events, if you are available contact Charlene Winnicki.

Nick Field states there is an issue with the air compressor at the North Station, it can't blow up a tire on the trucks. Bob Lehmann states the Cheifs/Commissioners are working on fixing this.

#### Good of the Order

Vice President Cullum states we received a thank you note from the Sheilds family for the flowers we sent.

Vice President Cullum states we received a letter from Columbia High School to sponsor their golf outing.

A motion is made by Jeff Tooker, seconded by Billy Lindemann, to send \$100 to sponsor the golf outing. Mike Benson Jr says we should send them a letter for sponsorship for our golf outing. Motion carries.

Vice President Cullum states that we received a letter to sponsor the Goff Science Olympiad team's trip that has already happened.

A motion is made by Bob Lehmann, seconded by Mike Benson Jr, to send \$100 to the team. Jeff Tooker states the team was given a large amount of money from the district. Motion fails.

Vice President Cullum states that FASNY is looking for ads for the ad book for their 2018 Convention.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Tom Whittemore, to get a quarter page ad for \$85. Motion carries.

Charlene Winnicki states that Nick Goyer donated back \$200 of what he was paid for painting the Park Station to the Barbara Lehmann Scholarship Fund.

Food and clean up tonight is Truck 11.

Food and clean up next month is the Main Station.

50/50 tonight is \$64. The winner is Anthony Proulx.

A motion to adjourn is made by Rich Hendrick, seconded by Jim Pendolino. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino  
Recording Secretary