



**East Greenbush Fire Company  
Fire Company Meeting  
July 17, 2018**

The July Meeting was called to order at 7:11pm 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. 53 members in attendance.

President Lansing states that the June Company Meeting minutes were sent out via email by Recording Secretary Pendolino.

A motion was made by Ed McCabe, seconded by Greg Forgea, to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

President Lansing states the Review Board met tonight. Members lacking points will receive a letter.

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his report. 42 checks were written.

Checks over \$500: Fiesta Band, Galls, Chase Card Service, Park Lane Motel, Michael Granger, National Grid, Verizon, SMG-Monolith Solar, Otis Elevator Company, NYS Liquor Authority

A motion is made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Chris Linck, to accept the report. Motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$36,784.00 and total expenses were \$24,978.86.

A motion is made by Rich Hendrick, seconded by Tim Boel, to accept the report. Motion carries.

President Lansing gave the Visa Bill report. There were 7 Hudson Valley Convention, 1 Meeting, 1 Hudson Mohawk Convention and 2 State Chiefs charges over \$200 this month. David A Cook asks what the State Chiefs charges were for. President Lansing the EGFD members in attendance as well as a few people from VFIS and other fire departments were taken out to dinner as a gesture of good will.

A motion is made by Jeff Tooker, seconded by Tim Boel, to accept the report. Motion carries.

President Lansing states there are no communications this month. There is one bill from MGL Cleaning for \$1,200 to wax the floors at the Park Station this week.

Report of the Officers

Car 1 (Bob Lehmann) gives his report.

- It's been a busy month for calls. Thank you to everyone who's taken calls.
- Engine 8 should be in-service in the next couple of weeks. We are waiting on some items to come in we need to get it in-service. There will be another training like the one the North Station members had for all members wishing to become qualified on Engine 8. It will not be on Tuesdays, possibly Thursdays, there will be a sign up sheet for this.
- Bus 11 is back in-service. If you drive the bus in heavy rain be careful as there are issues with the bus leaking.
- Knox Boxes for Engine 8 and Truck 11 have been ordered they will not be like the ones on the other trucks.
- Members have been doing lots of training. Jill Kaufman completed her EMT and several members went to the State Chiefs Convention for training.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hudson Valley and Hudson Mohawk Conventions Award Ceremonies for Mark Becker and Chris Lavin.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hudson Valley Convention we had 50 in the line of march.
- Annual service and pump tests for the trucks will be in August.
- There are sign ups for various EGFD apparel items money is due when the order comes in.
- Golf Outing Pavilion and Golf Course sign ups are going around. Please sign up. The Golf Outing will be Sept 23 at the Stadium Golf Course in Schenectady. It will be the same price as last year but they will be doing somethings we usually do. Tee off is at 9:30am with a steak and clam bake at the Pavilion. The outing is capped at 160 golfers. Registration forms will be available shortly. More information to come.

Car 2 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- Thank you to everyone who's come to calls.

Car 3 (Greg Forgea) gives his report.

- The Convention went very smoothly this year, thank you.
- The Touch A Truck Event at the East Greenbush Library is July 20 we need a crew. Available members should meet at the North Station at 9:30am.
- On July 30 we will have a fire extinguisher training at the Spinny. Available members meet at the Main Station at 9:30am.
- We will be attending the Greene County Parade on Sept 8 in Athens.
- If you still have issues we don't know about with your uniform let Car 3 know.
- Thanks to everyone who's shown up to calls.

Car 4 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- Thank you to the driver training committee they did a great job this year.
- The training schedule is on IaR. Any changes will come thru email.

Captain Lansing congratulates Captain Becker and Firefighter Lavin on their awards.

Tom Whittemore states Scott Pack flow tests will be on Aug 7 & 8.

### Report of Committees

President Lansing gives the building use report. There were 17 rentals this month. Total income was \$5,762. YTD income was \$22,075.50.

A motion is made by Matt Sullivan, seconded by Billy Lindemann, to accept this report. Motion carries.

Greg Forgea states someone disposed of a refrigerator, oven and dishwasher in the North Station dumpster.

President Lansing states the fire alarm repeaters at the North and Main Stations are not able to call the PD, this is being looked into. Tim Boel states they cannot incorporate the 518 dialer change, replacing these fire alarms should be put in the 2019 budget.

RP Smith states the grill at the Main Station is lost. President Lansing states this will be returned plus an additional one. RP Smith states that someone flooded the upstairs bathroom and stole the plunger. RP Smith states the shed at the Main Station has 3 side panels that need to be replaced.

A motion is made by RP Smith, seconded by Mike Benson Sr, for \$350 to repair the shed at the Main Station. Motion carries.

RP Smith states that there is a light fixture in the electrical room and an 'EXIT' sign at the Main Station that still don't work. President Lansing says he will look into it. Greg Forgea states President Lansing did a great job cleaning out the junk in the garage at the Main Station.

Rich Hendrick states everything is good at the Park Station.

Mike Benson Sr states the first Pizza Night will be Sept 8. We need someone to put up the Pizza Night signs the Sunday before Pizza Night. Jeff Tooker will take them down. Don Peal states he will put the signs up.

Mike Benson Sr states Life Members Day is Sept 9. Invitations will be sent out by email or snail mail for those who don't have email.

Pete Lehmann states we have 3 applications for the Barbara J Lehmann Memorial Scholarship they will be reviewed next Tuesday at the 7pm at the Park Station.

Tim Boel states the new pancake breakfast signs are ready to be picked up.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Rich Hendrick, to pay Marshall signs \$200 for the new pancake breakfast signs. Motion carries.

#### Election of Members

Nickolaus Planty is up for a vote. Jeff Tooker states discard the application as Nickolaus has not returned any of his phone calls or emails.

Keenan Cosgrove is up for a vote.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Billy Lindemann, to make Keenan Cosgrove a member. Motion carries.

#### Six Month Probationary Review

Emma Gill is up for probationary review.

A motion is made by David A Cook, seconded by Mike Benson Jr, to move Emma Gill to full membership. Motion carries.

#### Unfinished Business

President Lansing states we have a contract for the Park Station repairs. Paul Wells will start work on July 23 with a completion date of Sept 12. Paul Wells will be paid in 3 installments.

President Lansing states the Valley Cats game will be Aug 28 at 7pm. Members and one guest are free any additional guests are \$7 each. Sign up sheets will be in the stations soon.

#### New Business

President Lansing states he has been looking into the company purchasing a 14ft trailer for about \$5,000. The District would letter, put lights on, register and insure the trailer. Bob Lehmann states this is a great project for the District and Company to partner on. There are many uses for a trailer including keeping the "clean cab" concept by using it to bring PPE back and forth to trainings such as the recent one at State Cheifs. President Lansing states Car 1 and Car 4's Tahoes could tow a trailer. Marcus Massaconi asks if the trailer is enclosed. President Lansing answers yes. Rich Hendrick states he found some trailers cheaper. President Lansing asks that the quotes be brought to the next meeting. President Lansing states this issue will be tabled for one month.

President Lansing states he was approached by a member about a possible Corn Hole Fundraiser and is starting to look into it. And looking for a couple of members to run this.

President Lansing states Father Joe has been reassigned to another church and would like to get him a plaque to thank him for his service. Mike Benson Sr states a replacement for Father Joe has not been named yet and his last weekend in East Greenbush is this weekend.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Nick Field, to make Father Joe an honorary life member. Motion carries.

A motion is made by David A Cook, seconded by Mike Benson Jr, for \$200 to purchase a plaque and life member badge for Father Joe. Motion carries.

Mike Benson Sr asks Pete Lehmann if he could write up something about the Company honoring Father Joe for *The Evangelist*. Pete Lehmann states he can do this.

Tim Boel states the flags on our uniforms are in retreat, this is not correct. The regulations on dress uniforms are read. Tim Boel suggests having the all flags replaced they are \$6 each. The replacement should be done prior to June 1, 2019.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by David A Cook, to put \$1,000 in the 2019 budget to have all the flags replaced when they come into Crown Cleaners. Motion carries.

RP Smith states there are large cracks in the driveway at the Park Station. President Lansing states that he will look and see if redoing the driveway is in the budget. Tim Boel suggests filling in the cracks before winter and asks Rick Williams when the Park Station driveway was sealed last. Rick Williams answers it was sealed last year and Rob Yetman should be asked about filling in the cracks. Mike Benson Jr says that

he will ask Rob Yetman about the filling in the Park Station driveway cracks and report back at the August Company Meeting.

President Lansing states that the contract for the Installation Dinner has been signed the cost is \$67 per person. There will be hospitality room as well and hotel rooms will be \$105 per night. Jeff Tooker asks what the date is. President Lansing answers Jan 19, 2019.

#### Good of the Order

Jeff Tooker states that he was approached by the Ronald McDonald House about the fire company donating supplies they currently have 25 families and are in desperate need of supplies.

A motion is made by Jeff Tooker, seconded by Mike Benson Jr, to donate \$100 worth of supplies to the Ronald McDonald House.

A motion is made by Marcus Massaconi, seconded by Elwin Michel, to donate \$200 worth of supplies to the Ronald McDonald House. Motion carries.

Jeff Tooker states he will get the supplies and drop them off.

Father Joe states that he is being transferred to a parish in Albany and thanks everyone for everything over the years. President Lansing thanks Father Joe for everything and invites him to Life Members Day. Bob Lehmann thanks Father Joe too and informs him that we voted to make him an honorary life member tonight.

Food and clean up tonight is the Explorers.

Food next month is the Ladies Auxiliary and clean up is the Fire Police.

50/50 tonight is \$56. The winner is Herb Carl who donated his winnings to the Barbara J Lehmann Memorial Scholarship.

A motion to adjourn is made by Billy Lindemann, seconded by Frank Jenkins. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino  
Recording Secretary