



**East Greenbush Fire Company  
Fire Company Meeting  
January 15, 2019**

The January Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm 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.

A motion is made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Chris Linck, to set aside a page in the minutes in memory of Bill Sigsby. Motion carries.

Recording Secretary Pendolino called the rolls. 60 members in attendance.

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

A motion is made by Ed McCabe, seconded by Tim Boel, to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

President Lansing states the Review Board met tonight. The following members have did not get 50 points in 2018: Jim Timmer, Bob Fish, and Taj Plante.

A motion is made by Tom Chesser, seconded by Frank Jenkins, to send these members letters. Motion carries.

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his report. 55 checks were written.

Checks over \$500: Charlene Winnicki (2 checks), Vincent Markowski, DeCresente Distribution, Chase Card Service, Cintas Corporation, Verizon, Christopher Lavin, David A Cook, National Grid, Saratoga Eagle, Otis Elevator

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his annual report. 490 checks were written in 2017, 106 checks were over \$500. A report of the checks was forwarded to the Recording Secretary for the minutes.

A motion is made by Jim Alcombright, seconded by Mike Benson Sr, to accept the reports. Motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$10,098.53 and total expenses were \$30,725.63. The annual report was also given.

A motion is made by Kathy Miller, seconded by Mike Memole, to accept the report. Motion carries.

President Lansing gives the Visa Bill report. Charges over \$200: 3 Christmas Party, 2 Annual Dinner, 1 Meeting, 1 Pizza Night

A motion is made by Tom Chesser, seconded by Mike Benson Sr, to accept the report. Motion carries.

### Report of the Officers

Car 1 (Bob Lehmann) gives his report.

- IaR has updated their app, update the app on your phone if you have not done so already. We are in the process of updating the lists in IaR. The way texts are going out has changed in IaR if you have having trouble with IaR let a Chief know.
- Drill schedule is out. OSHA is coming up in the next few weeks.
- All Chief approved drills points sheets will be bright orange this year. Active members need 15 drills a year.
- Safety Officers for 2019 will be Tom Chesser, Jim Pendolino, and Don Peal.
- The organization chart will be out shortly. If you have been assigned to the wrong station let a Chief know.
- Duty crew program is off to a great start.
- Thank you to everyone who volunteered to go to Hoosick.
- There will be new EGFD St Patrick's Day shirts this year. If you would like to order a shirt sign up on the sheet going around.

Car 2 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- Nothing to report.

Car 3 (Greg Forgea) gives his report.

- Engine 7 will be used tomorrow night (Jan 16) at the Main Station for the IFO class. A crew is needed.
- Make sure you have all your tags. If you are missing a tag see Car 3.

Car 4 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- The next few drills will be OSHA.

### Report of Committees

President Lansing gives the building use report. There were 8 rentals this month. Total income was \$4,551.50. There were 112 rentals in 2018, total income was \$52,335.25.

A motion is made by Tom Whittemore, seconded by Jim Alcombright, to accept the report. Motion carries.

George Forgea states everything at the North Station is good.

Jake Hallenbeck states new toilet paper holders have been installed in the Ladies Room at the Park Station.

President Lansing states the Installation Dinner is Saturday (Jan 19). Any last minute sign ups see Rich Hendrick.

President Lansing states there is a sign up sheet going around for bartenders and cleaners.

Mike Benson Sr thanks everyone who helped and bought pizzas at Pizza Night. 60 pizzas, 42 wings, 20 mozz stix, and 22 salads were sold. Total profit was \$745.07.

Mike Benson Sr states there is a large fruit fly problem at the Park Station. If caught by the Health Department it would be a large fine. Members are reminded that garbage needs to be taken out after an event.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Sr, seconded by Pete Lehmann, contact an exterminator to get rid of the fruit flies. Motion carries.

Bob Lehmann presents the 2019 Budget.

A motion is made by Mike Condo, seconded by Jim Pendolino, to accept the 2019 Budget. Motion carries.

### Proposals for Membership

Vice President Cullum states we have received applications from Stephanie Deyette and Jason Deyette of Spring Ave. The applications will be tabled for one month.

### Election of Members

Nick Petramale is up for a vote.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Greg Forgea, to make Nick Petramale a member. Motion carries.

Dennis Davis and Edward Whited are up for a vote. Bob Lehmann asks if anyone has reached out to them. Mike Benson Jr states he will reach out to them.

### Six Month Probationary Review

Keenan Cosgrove is up for probationary review.

A motion is made by Chris Linck, seconded by Dan Reyner, to move Keenan Cosgrove to full membership. Motion carries.

### Unfinished Business

No unfinished business this month.

### New Business

Tim Boel states there is a TIPS class at Defreestville FD on Jan 24 from 7pm-10pm. All are welcome. The class is free and the certification is good for 2 years.

A motion is made by Jay Liuzzi, seconded by Rich Hendrick, to send a \$100 donation to the Selkirk Fire Department #2 for their firefighter who was injured. Motion carries.

George Forgea states any member who needs to change their beneficiaries for LOSAP or life insurance should see him.

George Forgea states that we are trying to shorten the amount of time it takes someone to become a member of the Fire Company and Fire District. Tom Chesser states there will be a proposed by laws

change coming up to eliminate tabling applications for one month and approve members contingent on approval by the Board of Fire Commissioners. Tom Chesser asks for volunteers to help go thru the Fire Company By Laws so the better align with the Fire District. Mike Benson Jr states he will go thru the By-Laws.

#### Good of the Order

President Lansing states 1099s for everyone paid over \$600 are being processed by our accountant. You should get them in the mail soon.

A motion is made by Jeff Tooker, seconded by Chris Dick, to make Bill Sigsby a Life Member. Motion carries.

Vice President Cullum states we received thank you notes from FASNY, Miller and Adams families, and Alcombright family. We also received a \$100 donation to the Barbara Lehmann Scholarship from Tom and Lynn Chesser in memory of Bill Sigsby.

President Lansing states Mike Memole is in attendance tonight and would like to address the Fire Company. Mike Memole apologizes for not attending the December meeting and outlines his reasons for wanting to return to Active membership. President Lansing states he will need to write a letter stating he would like to move from Social to Active membership.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Mike Benson Sr, to waive the letter requirement and move Mike Memole from Social to Active membership. Discussion about if the letter requirement should be waived and how closely the by laws have been followed. A vote is taken. 30 in-favor and 13 opposed. Motion carries.

David A Cook states the District is currently in the process of replacing Bill Sigsby, he maintained the computers and network for the Fire Company and District, for IT. We are currently interviewing a company out of Ballston Spa, they serve the EGPD and a few other area Fire Departments.

Food and clean up tonight is Engine 7. Food and clean up next month is Engine 8.

50/50 tonight is \$74. The winner is Rick Williams.

A motion to adjourn is made by Greg Forgea, seconded by Joe Winnicki. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino  
Recording Secretary

**This page in the January 2019 East Greenbush Fire Company Minutes is in memory of Bill Sigsby.**