



**East Greenbush Fire Company
Fire Company Meeting
March 16, 2021**

The March Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice President Liuzzi.

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

Vice President Liuzzi led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence was observed for our departed members.

Recording Secretary Pendolino called the rolls. 61 members in attendance.

Vice President Liuzzi states the November Company Meeting, January Executive Board Meeting, and February Executive Board Meeting minutes were sent out via email by Recording Secretary Pendolino.

A motion was made by Mike Memole, seconded by Tim Boel, to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his report. 20 checks were written.

Checks over \$500: Christopher Lavin, National Grid, Diagnostic Services, Eastern Heating

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

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$263,641.07 and total expenses were \$30,065.06.

A motion is made by Jim Pendolino, seconded by Chris Lavin, to accept the report. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi gives the Visa Bill report for. Charges over \$200: Restaurant Depot, Walmart

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

Report of the Officers

Car 1 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- Thank you to the Board of Fire Commissioners, who have approved the purchase of new Scott SCBA packs, bottles, masks, and associated equipment at their Mar 8 meeting.

- FIT Tests for our new masks will be on Mar 23 and Apr 6. The sign up sheet for Mar 23 is being passed around. Once we determine how many people need a FIT Test on Apr 6 we will make a schedule.
- Thank you to everyone for being patient while we were 'remote' in Dec, Jan, and Feb. Members will be awarded 5 points for Jan and 5 point for Feb based on current legislation.
- Firefighter Survival and FAST classes will be offered at our station in Apr and May. If you are an interior firefighter and want to take the classes see Car 1 tonight.
- Pay attention to the drill schedule, changes may be needed especially as we receive our new SCBA packs and put them in service.
- West Sand Lake Box Alarm Assignment 43-22 is a structure fire box for West Sand Lake Fire Department. Truck 11 will stand by in quarters and the Chiefs will go to the scene to assess the situation. Do not respond with Truck 11 unless specifically told to do so, monitor EG Dispatch and/or Fire Dispatch for information.
- All required VFIS U training is due Mar 31
- Annual hose and ladder testing will be Apr 6 starting at 7:30am. Keep an eye on IaR for apparatus coming in and out of service and requests for drivers to bring apparatus to the Park Station.
- The Easter Bunny will be at the Park Station for pictures on Apr 3 at 8am. There are still some spots left. The Easter Bunny will be going around town 9:30am-12:30pm. Information on the route will be out shortly.
- Thank you to everyone whose helped with duty crews, daytime calls, calls for service, shuttling apparatus, ect.
- Ed McCabe stepped down from being a Fire Commissioner effective Dec 31, 2020. Past Chief Bob Lehmann will be filling Ed's vacated seat this year. In Dec 2021 there will be elections for the unexpired 2 year term and a 5 year term.
- Currently 76% of our members have the COVID-19 vaccine. After Apr this should increase to 80%+

Car 2 (Greg Forgea) gives his report.

- There have be numerous changes to mutual aid departments box alarm assignments. The box alarm binders in the stations are being updated. When responding pay attention to what alarm you are going to so the correct resources can be brought to the correct location.
- When we have a brush fire if the fire is not close to the road call for ATVs. If they aren't needed they can be canceled.

Car 3 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- The drill schedule for the next few months has been emailed.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in the duty crew program for 2020. We have had no redispatches for night time calls since we started the program.

Car 4 (Mike Lansing) gives his report.

- OSHA make ups will take place Apr 17 at the Park Station. Make ups for members who did not complete the VFIS required classes will be Apr 24 at the Park Station.
- Thank you Car1 for all your hard work getting the Department vaccinated for COVID 19

Report of Committees

Vice President Liuzzi states there is no building use report this month.

George Forgea states there is a drain problem at the North Station that we are working on fixing.

Mike Benson Jr asks members to not to just place trash next to the dumper at the Main Station but to put it in the dumpster.

Greg Forgea asks if members see strange cars or people at any station to check in and see what's going on. The person isn't supposed to be on our property ask them to leave.

Jake Hallenbeck states everything is good at the Park Station

Mike Benson Sr states at our last Pizza Night we sold 76 pizzas and 59 wings. Our profit was \$621.72. Profit for the year was \$4,287.34. We did not have any bar or placemat revenue this year.

Tom Chesser thanks everyone who helped at Fish Fry Night this week. We are in need of a few more members to help next week. Discussion about the previous and future Fish Fry Nights.

Greg Forgea states as of right now there will be a Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention on Jun 19. If the convention is not canceled, we will only be going for the day. More details will be sent out as we get closer.

Vice President Liuzzi states there is a Committee sign-up sheet going around. Please sign up for a committee for 2021.

Election of Members

Vice President Liuzzi states we received an application from Brandon Tambor of Petalas Dr. David A Cook states the Membership Committee met with Brandon and recommends him for membership.

A motion is made by David A Cook, seconded by Mike Lansing, to make Brandon Tambor a member. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi states Bob Lehmann and Mike Benson Jr have enough years of service to be elected Life Members.

A motion is made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Greg Forgea, to make Bob Lehmann a Life Member. Motion carries.

A motion is made by Mike Lansing, seconded by Chris Lavin, to make Mike Benson Jr a Life Member. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi states we received a letter from Rich Hendrick to change his status from Active to Social.

A motion is made by Greg Forgea, seconded by Tim Boel, to make Rich Hendrick a Social member. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi states the Fire Commissioners voted out Ken Brown and Nick Petramale at their last meeting because they have not updated the Fire District about their medical conditions.

A motion is made by Greg Forgea, seconded by Tim Boel, to removed Ken Brown from the membership rolls. Motion carries.

A motion is made by Mike Memole, seconded by Anthony Gullo, to remove Nick Petramale from the membership rolls. Motion carries.

Six Probationary Review

Vice President Liuzzi states Kaiden Poli is up for probationary review.

A motion is made by Mike Lansing, seconded by Jake Hallenbeck, to make Kaiden Poli a full member. Motion carries.

Unfinished Business

Vice President Liuzzi states the TMobile offer is still available if any members want to sign up. The offer has unlimited talk, text, and data free of charge. We have a 10 year contract with TMobile. Please reach out to President Cullum if you would like more information.

New Business

Nick Liuzzi asks when washing your vehicle at the North Station please wash it far enough away to keep the gear dry.

Good of the Order

Vice President Liuzzi states we received a letter from East Greenbush Softball requesting a donation.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Tim Boel, to make a \$500 donation to East Greenbush Softball. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi states we received a letter from East Greenbush Little League asking for a donation.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Jeff Tooker, to make a \$550 donation to East Greenbush Little League. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi states we received a letter from Sorensco requesting a donation.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Chris Lavin, to make a \$550 donation to Sorensco. Motion carries.

Vice President Liuzzi states Dave Chestnut's family made a \$1,000 donation to the Barbara Lehmann Scholarship Fund.

50/50 tonight is \$64. The winner is Brandon Tambor.

Food and clean up tonight is Engine 9. Food and clean up next month is Rescue 11.

A motion to adjourn is made by Jeff Tooker, seconded by Pete Lehmann. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino
Recording Secretary

This page in the March 2021 East Greenbush Fire Company Minutes is in memory of Life Member Dave Chestnut.