



**East Greenbush Fire Company
Fire Company Meeting
May 18, 2021**

The April Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by President Cullum.

Jeff Tooker (Acting 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. 57 members in attendance.

President Cullum states the April Company Meeting minutes were sent out via email by Recording Secretary Pendolino.

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

President Cullum states the April Executive Board Meeting minutes were sent out via email by Recording Secretary Pendolino.

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

President Cullum asks if any one has any questions about the November Company Meeting, January Executive Board Meeting, February Executive Board Meeting, and Chief's Elections minutes. No questions.

A motion was made by Scott Ciabattari, Mike Prestipino, to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his report. 18 checks were written.

Checks over \$500: All Type Door Service (2 checks), Christopher Lavin, East Greenbush Little League, East Greenbush Girls Softball, National Grid, Spectrum Business, Chase Card Service

A motion is made by Matt Sullivan, seconded by Ed McCabe, to accept the report. Motion carries.

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$11,357.65 and total expenses were \$16,075.90.

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

President Cullum gives the Visa Bill report. Charges over \$200: 1 Restaurant Depot

A motion is made by Don Peal, seconded by Mike Lansing, to accept the report. Motion carries.

Report of the Officers

Car 1 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- The East Greenbush Memorial Day Parade will be May 29 at 10am. The parade has been changed to a walking/marching parade. If you are available for the parade let Car 1 know.
- The Rensselaer Memorial Day Parade will be May 30 at 1pm. Truck 11 will be going to the parade. If you are available for the parade let Car 2 know.
- Our new SCBAs are still in transit. When they do arrive, there will be a few Tuesday nights set aside to learn about the SCBAs before they are put on the trucks. The new SCBAs should be in service after Jul 4.
- Most of our information is disseminated thru IaR. If your IaR information needs to be updated see Car 2.
- The Red Vest Outing on Jun 17 is a go, as of right now. Bus 11 will leave the Park Station around 1pm that day. If you want to attend you need to send your money and RSVP to John Bootz. See Car 1 if you need John's contact info.
- Discussions about our department having a FAST Team are going on. If we offer a FAST team it would not be ready until around Christmas and be rolled out in Jan 2022.
- If you complete online training please leave your printed certificates in Car 1's mailbox. All trainings needs to be approved by Car 1 to get LOSAP credit.
- Members who participate in the duty crew program will receive LOSAP credit at the end of the year. Car 3 is keeping track of the number of nights you do and at the end of the year we will add them up and divide by 7 and this will be your LOSAP credit for the duty crew.
- Make sure you tell Car 1 any type of medical or other leaves of absence. We are having issues with people leaving then having questions about whether or not they are still active members.
- Fire Department physicals will now be completed at Well Now at 573 North Greenbush Road (next to Taco Bell) in North Greenbush. For members needing their annual 2021 physical, physicals will be offered at the Park Station in Sept. A date will be announced in Jul.
- Please continue to adhere to the CDC and NYSDOH guidelines for social distancing and mask wearing based on your personal status. The Fire District asked for copies of your vaccination card in the event they are needed in the future for participation ability, ect. If you haven't given Car 1 a copy please do so ASAP.
- We are currently on the first alarm for fire alarms and structure fires with Truck 11 in the City of Rensselaer until Ladder 1 returns. We might be running mutual aid with Defreestville for an extended period this summer, as Truck 42 will be out for repairs.
- Christina Guilbo is recognized for completing BEFO in 2020.
- Scott Ciabattari, Tracy Cullum, Bill Lindemann, Joe Winnicki, and Camerron Poli are recognized for completing Fire Officer 1.
- Mike Benson Jr, Tracy Cullum, Scott Ciabattari, Jake Hallenbeck, Tim Hedgepeth, Mike Lansing, Bob Lehmann, Bill Lindemann, Jake Memole, Anthony Proulx, Jayden Torelli, and Jeff Tooker are recognized for completing Firefighter Survival.
- The Chief's Office thanks everyone for continuing to come to calls. We had a full crew for a Tuesday afternoon fire alarm and traffic accident.

Car 2 (Greg Forgea) is absent this evening.

Car 3 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- We are working on the summer drill schedule.

- Thank you to everyone who attended the structure fire on Mother's Day.
- Everyone who participating in the duty crew is doing a great job.

Car 4 (Mike Lansing) gives his report.

- Everyone is doing a great job going to calls. Please be responsible when responding to the stations in your personal vehicle.

Chairman of the Fire Commissioners Mike Benson Sr states it's great to see members participating in a lot of training.

Tom Whittemore states the compressor will be serviced on May 20. Also there are some new training links up on the website.

Report of Committees

President Cullum thanks everyone who helped unclog the grates at the North Station.

Kurt Schlachter states everything at the Main Station is good and thanks everyone who has helped out with various projects and maintenance at the Main Station. Discussion about sidewalk construction company parking at the Main Station.

Jake Hallenbeck states the drain pipe at the Park Station is still in progress.

President Cullum states we made \$2,450 at the Fair Food Fun Days and thanks Marc Iorio for organizing the fundraiser.

Election of Members

President Cullum states we received an application from Matt Cramer of Phillips Rd. Matt was a past member who had leave for personal reasons and didn't have enough time to become a Social member. The Membership Committee met with Matt and recommends him for membership.

A motion is made by Jake Hallenbeck, seconded by Mike Lansing, to make Matt Cramer a member. Motion carries.

President Cullum swears Brandon Tambor and Christina Guilbo into membership.

President Cullum states all Officers will be sworn in at the June Meeting.

Unfinished Business

President Cullum gives an update on the drainage pipe at the Pavilion. Paul Wells thinks he may have someone who will donate the pipe and the Fire Company would only need to pay for the gravel and dirt. Paul Wells is going to donate the labor.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Pete Lehmann, to go forward with drainage pipe project for an amount not to exceed \$2,500. Motion carries.

New Business

President Cullum states there are a few plumbing problems at the Pavilion, they will be fixed in the next few days.

President Cullum states Paul Benson had suggested upgrading to sports channels since a lot of members have asked for them. The President and Chiefs have given up their cable boxes so we now have sports channels with no increased cost to the Fire Company.

Good of the Order

President Cullum states the Explorer program will be resuming with a welcome back dinner on Jun 17 at 7pm. We need more members to help with the Explorers. If anyone is interested in helping out please see Kurt Schlachter or Tracy Cullum.

President Cullum states Vice President Liuzzi found a set of keys with an Auto Zone Rewards Card on it.

President Cullum reminds everyone to pay their dues ASAP.

Vice President Liuzzi states we received a letter asking for an endorsement for Gerald E Mehan who is running for a Director of the HVVFA.

A motion is made by Jeff Tooker, seconded by Tim Dick, to send an endorsement letter for Gerald E Mehan. Motion carries.

Tim Boel states he has a nominating petition for Fred Pettigell who is running for Trustee of the FASNY Firemen's Home Board of Trustees. He is also asking for an endorsement letter.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Chris Linck, to send an endorsement letter for Fred Pettigell. Motion carries.

Charlene Winnicki states the Isabella School of Dance is looking for sponsors.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Tim Dick, to send \$250 to the Isabella School of Dance. Motion carries.

Tim Boel states Jim Cartwright had a brain bleed in March and we should send him a fruit basket or card. President Cullum states we will send him something.

Mike Benson Jr states the 2021 Golf Outing will be Sept 26.

50/50 tonight is \$65. The winner is Kurt Schlachter.

Food and clean up tonight is Truck 11. Food and clean up next month is the Main Station.

A motion to adjourn is made by Joe Winnicki, seconded by Mike Memole. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino
Recording Secretary