



**East Greenbush Fire Company  
Fire Company Meeting  
August 17, 2021**

The August Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Cullum.

President Cullum turns the meeting over to Pete Lehmann for this year's scholarship presentation.

Pete Lehmann presents the 2021 Barbara Lehmann Scholarship to Taylor O'Brian.

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. 50 members in attendance.

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

Mike Benson Jr asks the July Company Meeting minutes be amended to include the following: Bob Lehmann recognized EGPD Officer Nick Liuzzi's for having a cardiac arrest reversal.

A motion was made by Mike Memole, seconded by Joe Winnicki, to accept the minutes with the requested amendment. Motion carries.

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

Checks over \$500: Chase Card Service, Red Caps, National Grid, Spectrum Business

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

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$29,853.22 and total expenses were \$21,265.99.

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

President Cullum gives the Visa Bill report. Charges over \$250: 1 charge to Amazon for a dehumidifier

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

**Report of the Officers**

Car 1 (Jeff Tooker) is absent this evening.

Car 2 (Greg Forgea) gives Car 1's and his reports.

**Car 1 Report:**

- The 2015 Tahoe is OOS. Please contact a Chief if it needs to be moved.
- We will be hosting a Water Rescue Awareness class on Nov 30. If you're interested in taking this class let Car 1 know.
- At some point the Rensselaer County LMS will go live. This is how you will sign up for fire training. We will review the LMS at our drill on Sept 7.
- Please wear masks when entering congregate living facilities (Rosewood, Evergreen, Hawthorne Ridge, and the ARC homes) and large crowds.
- We won't have a drill on Aug 31 due the Fire Company Valley Cats outing.

**Car 2 Report:**

- Truck maintenance is continuing.
- The old air packs are for sale
- Knox Boxes for Engine 7 and Rescue 11 are ordered.
- Check to make sure you are taking the correct apparatus to mutual aid calls.
- The Route 4 construction will start Monday and continue thru Jun 2022

Car 3 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- The drill schedule for the rest of the year has been sent out.
- We will have FAST drills on Sept 22 and Sept 29

Car 4 (Mike Lansing) gives his report.

- We have a new air compressor at the Park Station.
- Thank you to Joe Winnicki for installing a new fuel break away coupler at the fuel dock.
- Thank you for the flowers the Fire Company sent.
- If you still need to complete your breathe down see your station chief.

Board of Fire Commissioners Chairman Mike Benson Sr thanks everyone whose shown up to calls. The East Greenbush Fire District 3 and Schodack Center merger should be done by the end of 2021.

**Report of Committees**

George Forgea states everything is good at the North Station. President Cullum states someone keeps cutting the lock off the North Station dumpster. If you are caught cutting the lock you will be suspended.

Kurt Schlachter states everything is good at the Main Station. President Cullum states there is a crack in the stair well on the Columbia Turnpike and the truck bay, Tom Chesser looked at the crack and it's an expansion joint and everything is fine.

Bob Lehmann states the Golf Outing will be postponed till 2022.

Mike Benson Sr states Life Members should have received an email from Linda Cook about Life Members Day on Sept 12 at 2pm. If you haven't already RSVP'd please do so. President Cullum states we need 2 bartenders for the event.

Greg Forgea states the Greene County Parade will be Sept 11 in New Baltimore. The parade steps off at 2pm. We will get together on Sept 10 at the Park Station. All events are dependent on COVID. There will be transport to and from the parade. Check your uniform ASAP if you need anything let the Chiefs know. If you need a uniform let Car 2 know tonight.

Mike Benson Sr states Pizza Night will start on Sept 18 and will be 100% take out.

#### Election of Members

President Cullum states we received an application from Justin Forte of Coventry Ln.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Pete Lehmann, to make Justin Forte a member. Motion carries.

President Cullum states David Albarelli is up for probationary review.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Chris Linck, to make David Albarelli a full member. Motion carries.

President Cullum states we received a letter from Jeff Wasileski requesting to change his status from Social to Active.

A motion is made by Mike Lansing, seconded by Matt Sullivan, to make Jeff Wasileski an Active member. Motion carries.

President Cullum states the Board of Fire Commissioners have removed Patrick Franchini from their rolls.

A motion is made by RP Smith, seconded by Jake Memole, to remove Patrick Franchini from the membership rolls. Motion carries.

President Cullum states Karen MacDondald has enough time with the Fire Company to be a life member.

A motion is made by Pete Lehmann, seconded by Chris Linck, to make Karen MacDondald a Life Member. Motion carries.

#### Unfinished Business

President Cullum states the fans and dehumidifiers have been installed. There is a problem with one of the dehumidifiers.

#### New Business

President Cullum gives a message from Jeff Tooker: We received a \$10,000 grant from Rensselaer County.

#### Good of the Order

President Cullum states we will be going to the Valley Cats on Aug 31. If you haven't already emailed about getting tickets, please sign up tonight.

Chris Dick states we need a new grill at the Park Station and would like to use not more than \$500 from the house account to buy a new grill.

A motion is made by Chris Dick, seconded by Tom Whittemore, to buy a new grill for the Park Station for an amount not exceeding \$500. Motion carries.

50/50 tonight is \$68. The winner is Todd Cullum.

Food and clean up tonight is the Ladies Auxiliary and Fire Police. Food and clean up next month is the Board of Fire Commissioners.

A motion to adjourn is made by Joe Winnicki, seconded by Mike Benson Sr. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino  
Recording Secretary