



**East Greenbush Fire Company
Fire Company Meeting
October 19, 2021**

The September Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Cullum.

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

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. 59 members in attendance.

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

A motion was made by Rich Hendrick, seconded by Jim Pendolino, to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

Financial Secretary Cargain gives his report. 37 checks were written.

Checks over \$500: Country True Value, Chase Card Service, Spectrum Business, Bob Lehmann, National Grid, Sun Light General, Constellation New, Otis Elevator

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

Treasurer Paul Benson gives his report. Total income this month was \$3,181.04 and total expenses were \$32,076.96.

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

President Cullum gives the Visa Bill report. Charges over \$250: Fraternal Beverage (3 charges), Life Members Day (2 charges), Greene County Parade

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

Report of the Officers

Car 1 (Jeff Tooker) gives his report.

- The LMS system is live. I know many people got an error message when trying to register for classes. DHSES didn't set up the system correctly, it does not account of the same email address

being used multiple times. The county has been notified with our displeasure. If you have not registered for the Nov 30 Water Rescue Awareness class, please do so this week. If you get an error message or a 'class is full' message notify Car 1 immediately.

- FAST team trainings will be on Tuesday nights. Please pay attention to your messages.
- Anyone that owes money for the FASNY Convention dinner cruise in August 2022, your money is due tonight. There are 9 seats left on the cruise.
- For the physicals tomorrow: please bring your packet completely filled out and be patient. Everyone will get the following: blood work, EKG for member over 40, urine work, vitals/vision/whisper test, provider visit. There will be no PFTs. Any member needing a CDL physical the Board of Fire Commissioners has graciously elected to cover the cost of your physical. If you're not able to make tomorrow's physicals you'll need to go to Well Now on your own before November 24, 2021.
- For 2022 physicals the Board of Fire Commissioners passed a resolution stating that members wishing to obtain a physical must have attended 10% of the calls up to the end of the previous month. For example this year you would have needed to have 10% of the calls by Sep 30, 2021. If you're not at 10% of the calls you won't be able to get a physical and therefore won't be able to continue responding to calls once physicals are done. If you have any questions or concerns see Car 1.
- Thank you to everyone who has responded to calls. We are on pace to have our busiest year in a long time. We will get close to if not pass 400 calls this year.

Car 2 (Greg Forgea) gives his report.

- Somethings to remember when using the trucks;
 - o Let the truck cycle before using them
 - o When you start the truck there is no need to rev the engine
 - o When trucks are parked, they need to be in high idle
 - o Use spotters when you back up
 - o Use the air horn only when necessary

Car 3 (Mike Benson Jr) gives his report.

- Thank you to Nick Liuzzi for setting up and running the propane drill. If any officers would like to set up a drill see the Chiefs
- FAST drill will start in Nov
- We received \$250 from the resident at 149 Horizon View West.
A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Tom Whittemore, to put the \$250 dollars in the Barbara Lehmann Scholarship Fund. Motion carries.

Car 4 (Mike Lansing) gives his report.

- We will be going to the Truck or Treat at Goff on Oct 28
- Thanks for everything everyone did while I had COVID.
- Driver recerts have started

Tom Whittemore states if anyone is missing gloves from the propane drill, they are in the compressor room.

Report of Committees

George Forgea states the driveway is getting sealed and 10 light bulbs have been changed at the North Station.

Kurt Schlachter states everything is good at the Main Station.

Jake Hallenbeck states there was a WiFi issue at the Park Station that is now fixed.

Clark Roher states he looked at the tractor and the tractor is fine but the mower deck is destroyed. He got two estimates; one for \$3,500 from Sharon Springs and one for \$3,798 from Abele.

A motion is made by Tim Boel, seconded by Bob Lehmann, to purchase a new mower deck not to exceed \$4,000. Discussion about which company to get the mower deck from. Tim Boel amends his motion to have the Board of Directors and Clark Roher to find the best deal. Motion carries.

Mike Benson Sr thanks to everyone who helped with Pizza Night. We sold 60 pizzas, 36 wings, 6 salads, and 16 mozz sticks. We had a profit of \$813.89.

President Cullum states Pete Lehmann has offered to handle the nominations for all 3 stations this year.

A motion is made by Rich Hendrick, seconded by Mike Lansing, to make Pete Lehmann the nominating committee. Motion carries.

Pete Lehmann states sign ups for offices will be posted in each station.

President Cullum states Chris Lavin wasn't able to get the supplies for the Lick'em and Stick'em for this month's meeting.

President Cullum states the Fair Food Fundraiser will be Oct 29 and Oct 30 at the Park Station.

Six Month Probationary Review

President Cullum states James Kownack is up for probationary review. Mike Benson Jr states James shows up when he can but needs some more time to adjust to the Fire Company. He recommends extending James' probation 3 months.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Chris Linck, to extend James Kownack's probation 3 months. Motion carries.

Election of Members

President Cullum states we received an application from Cody Swarktak of Coventry Ln. Mike Benson Jr met with Cody and recommends him for membership.

A motion is made by Mike Benson Jr, seconded by Marc Iorio, to make Cody Swarktak a member. Motion carries.

Unfinished Business

President Cullum states Coin Electric has installed the fan at the Main Station. They ordered the wrong part for the exhaust fan so they need to come back and install the correct part when it comes in.

New Business

Bob Lehmann gives an overview of where we are with future plans for our properties and property committee. There will be a property committee meeting Nov 1 at the Park Station.

Good of the Order

President Cullum states we will be attending Winnie Williams' wake as a group at 6:15pm on Oct 20. This is not a full dress event, please wear appropriate attire.

President Cullum states Chief's Letters are due at the Nov Meeting. The Chief's Elections will be Dec 9.

President Cullum reads the list of members who have not paid their dues yet. Please pay your dues ASAP as you cannot vote in the elections if your dues are not paid.

Dennis Davis reminds everyone to place their bottles and cans in the bottle and cans cans so they don't break.

The Captains present Jeff Tooker with a birthday cake.

Mike Benson Sr states the Schodack Center merger is moving along and should be done by the end of the year.

Mike Benson Sr states a plaque for Dave Chestnut has been placed in the corner of the kitchen where Dave stood for many hours cleaning wings during Pizza Nights.

Charlene Winnicki states the Kids Christmas Party has been moved to 10am-12pm on Dec 18. Sign ups will be put up before the next meeting.

50/50 tonight is \$69. The winner is Chuck Alger.

Food and clean up tonight is the North Station. Food and clean up next month is the Park Station.

A motion to adjourn is made by Mike Memole, seconded by Matt Sullivan. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Pendolino
Recording Secretary

This page in the October 2021 East Greenbush Fire Company Minutes is in memory of Ladies Auxiliary Life Member Winnie Williams.