



EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 15, 2025

VP Bill Lindemann CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:03 PM.

PLEDGE/MOMENT OF SILENCE For Our Departed Members- Pledge led by SGT At ARMS- Chuck Rossbach.

ROLL CALL/NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE : *Roll Call by Secretary Benson, 47 Members in attendance.*

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS Month's Meeting, sent via email . Motion by Pete Lehmann **SECOND** by Chris Linck to accept the minutes on record . Motion Passes.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - Chris Cargain read the Report For March 31st 2025 . 40 Checks paid for \$28,538.11. Bills over \$500-Constellation -\$1,108.94, Chris Lavin-\$900-Diagnostic Services-\$1,221.50, KeyBank-\$1,947.12, National Grid-\$5,514.31, Country True Value-\$1,425.04, George Laplante-\$2375, DeCrescente-516.50, Spectrum-812.79, Otis Elevator-1,251.18.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY : Ed McCabe **SECOND** by Tim Boel to approve the report. Motion Passed.

TREASURER REPORT - Presented by PAUL BENSON

As of March 31st 2025 - Total Income for the Month-\$ 18,114.49.. Total Expenses-\$31,857.35.

Total of All Assets-\$522,081.46. Outstanding Line of credit balance-\$3,479.50.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY : Frank Jenkins **SECOND** by Marcus Kravitz to approve the report. Motion Passed.

VISA Card REPORT - VP Lindemann- Reports,

Charges over \$200- all charges are for fundraising-Restaurant Depot-\$459.60, 321.44, 824.58, 844.49, 899.67, Market 32- 316.88, Ginsberg-759.72, Amazon-216.60.

Motion by Jake Hallenbeck 2nd by Tom Chesser Motion Passed.

Communications and Bills- Read by Recording Secretary under Good Of the Order.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:

Car 4 gave the report for the Chief's Office

Car 1- Chief Forgea - Car 4 Notes- The Hose Testing for this week has been cancelled due to the water issues with Troy Pump Station. It will be rescheduled for a later date.

Car 2- A/C Benson - Car 4 reviewed the following report as submitted to the Secretary:

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April 2025 Car 2 Report

On March 25 th , we had drill at the County Training Tower maze building. Our crews at drill put in hard work. There were many new obstacles added in the course. Members gained confidence in that course.

We were back at the training tower on April 8 th for hose line advancement in the tower. I want to thank the crew members that participated in this drill and dealt with the very frigid weather and high winds. The evolutions were quick and efficient. Great job by all members. This was our last drill at the tower as a department for a few months. Drill next week on April 22 nd will be at the Main Station. Drill will encompass ground ladders and saws.

This year for duty crew, I am submitted all of the Duty Crew hours and points to be awarded every 3 months to the District Secretary. This is to assist with alleviating a tremendous amount of work for the District Secretary and myself at the end of the year. Members will start to see their extra LOSAP points for Duty Crew added on the monthly LOSAP reports that are posted each month.

Members that do only a few days per week, may not see their points right away for duty crew due to not reaching 56 hours right away. 56 hours is a full week of duty crew. Once the member reaches 56 total hours with their overall total then they will be credited with the appropriate LOSAP amounts throughout the year.

Just an FYI.

As I mentioned in my IAR training message on April 9 th , our department is hosting the NYS Pump Operators Course beginning on May 7 th with Instructor Ron Stark.

So far we have two members signed up to take the class. All new Officers must have this class to be fully qualified.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Benson Jr., Car 2

Car 3- A/C Lansing- Chief Lansing -Car 4 Reports- Thanks to everyone that came out for the EVOC Course. There were about 10 members that completed.

Car 4- A/C Luizzi- Chief Luizzi reports - Engine 9 is out of service for Brake repair and other items. Rescue 11 light tower has been repaired . Need the crew to check it and make sure it works.

Chief's office is in need of a crew for April 24th for the BIFO class to the tower. We have two members that are taking the course. If you can assist please let Nick know.

Chairman Cook of the BOFC reports- We have approved the Bus to transport the softball team to its games at the Schodack Landing Field. Just make sure you use an approved driver.

Captain Tom Whittemore reports- that he made some changes to the air compressor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

NORTH STATION - all ok

MAIN STATION - all ok

PARK STATION - VP Lindemann reports the garage is almost complete. Contractors will be returning to finish up.

Fish Fry Nites- Jake Hallenbeck reports last fish fry nite is this friday with a work detail planned for Wednesday. All help is appreciated.

Jake reports total profit for Nights 1-3 is \$8,648.53 after expenses.

Thanks for everyone's help!!

Pancake Breakfast- VP Lindemann gave his report- 251 meals served. Total Income with Placemats-\$4075. Expenses-\$1,229.38. Total Profit-\$2845.62. Thanks to all that came to help!

Softball Team- Marc Iorio reports the first game is April 25th at Home field at Schodack Landing Firehouse Field.

Motion by Marc Iorio to send a check for \$400 to Schodack Landing Fire Company for use of the field .

Second by Cam Poli. That Motion Passes.

New Main Station Committee- Chris Lavin Reports- The Committee is meeting on a regular basis. The current drawings are up in each fire station. If anyone has any questions please direct them to a member of the committee.

Bill Lindemann reports our Engineer Steve Hart is going before the Planning Board on 4/23. Construction time frame is Mid August to September. Bill and Steve have met with the NYS dept of transportation . That process is now in phase two. This process will allow us to respond out onto Columbia Turnpike.

Chris , Bill and David are having regular meetings with H2M and Wainschaff.

More to report next month.

Membership Committee- David A Cook reports there is 1 new candidate Sarah Weaver.

Election of New Members:-Sarah Weaver

Chris Lavin makes a motion with a 2nd by Frank Jenkins to approve Sarah Weaver. That motion Passes.

Sarah is then sworn in by the Vice President. Congratulations Sarah!!

CHANGE OF STATUS- Nick Cullum from active to social. Nick is moving for a job in DC.

Dave Cook makes a motion with a 2nd by Tom Whittemore to move Nick Cullum from active to social. That motion Passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

New Business-

VP Lindemann states that adjustments have to be made at the Main Station for the sewer line. Tom Chesser makes a motion with a 2nd by Tim Boel to hire Drain Care for \$950 to make the changes. That motion Passes.

No other New Business.

Good of the Order: - Dave Abarelli Thanked the membership for its support at the time of his Father's Death. The support meant a lot to him and his family.

Secretary Benson read the correspondence. There were several actions created from the correspondence.

Jake Hallenbeack makes a motion with a 2nd by Tim Boel to purchase a Flag for the East Greenbush Police PBA Golf Outing for \$150. That motion Passes.

Pete Lehmann makes a motion with a 2nd by Tim Boel to sponsor a Trophy in the Name of Life member Nelson Williams. The cost is \$100 for the Hudson Valley Convention. That motion Passes.

Tim Boel makes a motion with a 2nd by Chris Linck that we send \$250 to the Monroe County Hospitality Comm. For the NYS Fire Chiefs Conference on June 4th -7th. Tim notes that our attendees spend a lot of time there so it is only fitting that we show our support. That Motion Passes.

David Cook spoke about Bill Dikant who recently passed and was a life member of Castleton Ambulance. He was The Town of Schodack Court Officer. Bill was a friend of this department. IN 1977 Bill lost his

family to a drunk driver and was an advocate and Educator for the dangers of drinking and driving. We interacted with Bill many times on fire scenes.

David Cook makes a motion with a 2nd by Marcus Kravitz to set aside a page in our minutes in Memory of Our Friend Bill Dikant. That Motion Passes.

Next Month's Food is Truck 11.

50/50 AMOUNT: \$43 - -Winner - Jake Hallenbeck !!

With no further business,

A motion to adjourn was requested by Jake Hallenbeck with a 2nd by Frank Jenkins.

Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

This Page in Memory of our Friend ,

WILLIAM DIKANT

Minutes recorded and submitted to the membership by Michael J Benson Sr.

