



EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 21, 2022

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:03 PM

PLEDGE/MOMENT OF SILENCE - Christie Cullum led the department with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL/NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Roll Call by Secretary Benson - 65 Members in attendance.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH'S MEETING(S) - Mike Benson Sr.- Sent Via email. MOTION TO ACCEPT BY : Chris Linck SECOND: Ed McCabe. **Minutes approved.**

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - CHRIS CARGAIN READ THE REPORT.

CHECKS WRITTEN: 44 TOTAL OF THOSE CHECKS \$; 84,919.16

CHECKS OVER \$500, 44 BILLS : NATIONAL GRID \$,2,559.55, ELIN BUCCINIO- \$5,100.00, PROVENCIAL CONTRACTORS-\$1,000, JIM FAZZONE - \$900.00, DIGNUM & BAME INS- \$13,588.63, JEFF TOOKER-\$ 2,000,-

KEY BANK-\$ 2,845.78., EASTERN HEATING & COOLING , \$ 3,640 ,JEFF TRENTINI , \$ 5,850, SPECTRUM BUSINESS-\$779.74, GIMONDO EPOXY- \$ 14,208 CAPITAL CITY PAINTING-\$4,914.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Pete Lehmann SECOND: Ryan Tubbs **Motion Passed.**

TREASURER REPORT - PRESENTED BY PAUL BENSON

AS OF MAY 31ST 2022 TOTAL OF ALL ASSETS - \$313,116.73. TOTAL INCOME FOR THE MONTH -\$82,374.11, TOTAL EXPENSES- \$84,919.16 , NET ORDINARY INCOME -\$82,374.11.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Matt Sullivan SECOND: Chuck Rossback **Motion Passed.**

VISA BILL REPORT - President CULLUM- Erie Materials-\$1080.47, ABC Supply \$2527.40, A-Verdi-\$648, Home Depot-\$ 1,479.85, Target-\$269.99, Overstock.com- \$369.99, Home Depot - \$517.32

Motion by Jim Pendelino Second by Todd Cullum **Motion Passed.**

Communications & Bills - Reviewed under Good of the Order. Read by Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:

CAR 1 - District Chief JEFF TOOKER-

1. Thanks to all those who helped with the HVVFA Parade.

Congrats on a win in our division.

Parade/Convention Chairman Greg Forgea will have a more comprehensive report later on.

2. Box Alarm changes, which may utilize our FAST team, may be forthcoming shortly. Please pay attention to any and all messages that may go out regarding these changes.

Schodack Valley Fire Department & Nassau will be adding us to the boxes. Please pay attention to the dispatch transmission.

3. EGECC Policy for dispatching calls has changed.

- 1 siren blast for all calls, 3 siren blasts for structure fires.

- No re-dispatches from Rensselaer County.

4. A reminder to all members about their status – in order to be eligible to sign up for a physical, you'll need to have 10% of your fire calls by August 31, 2022.

Physicals will be in September.

We had about 130 calls up to the end of May.

5. The fire district will be ordering a drop screen from Ray Supply for the Banquet Hall. I will work with the Company President to ensure that it gets installed ASAP.

6. Storm-related dispatch procedures – if there is a storm that rolls through (wind, tornado, etc.) – the county and the EGECC *may* ask for a stand-by in quarters and request that all calls be funneled through an Incident Commander that is standing-by at our station.

7. For FASNY, we have no rooms left.

If anyone wants to go on a day trip, please let me know.

Thanks Chief Tooker for providing your report to me in advance. Also as always thanks for your service.

CAR 2 - A/C Greg FORGEA - Greg Thanked everyone for helping out getting the truck ready and participating at the parade. Greg points out that everyone was on time to the firehouse and we left early with plenty of time for set up. Thanks Again.

Next year we are booked for Marine Village in Lake George , save your money for the Hudson Valley Convention.

Any issues with the trucks please notify the Station Chief and add to your truck log. Yearly Maintenance is coming up.

With the North Station project well under way the trucks will be relocated some time next week and will be gone for about a month. More Communications to follow.

CAR 3 - A/C Mike BENSON JR -

A Duty crew report will be out at the next meeting. Chief is working on the next drill schedule to be sent out.

CAR 4 - A/C Mike LANSING - Chief reported :

Mike thanked the Board of Fire Commissioners for the funding to support the live fire training at the State Chiefs Convention.

Mike mentioned this is great training and looking forward to some new members to attend next year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

BUILDING USE REPORT - T CULLUM - No Rentals to report.

NORTH STATION - under unfinished business & new business.

MAIN STATION - No Report

PARK STATION - The new fan in the exercise room is up and running.

Softball League- Manager Marc Iorio reported that the team was undefeated for the season. He thanked all 26 players for their support. Marc Thanked President Cullum for making sure that there was food after every game. We were sad that Tracy got hurt at a game. Speedy recovery Tracy! No more sliding.

EGFD Nite at the "Joe"- mark your calendar for August 2nd for a 6:30 pm start. Sign up sheets will go up in July.

There were no other committees reporting.

MEMBERSHIP -

Proposals for membership and Election of New Members - 1 new member Kevin Schwebke was reviewed by the membership Committee and approved, David Cook reports.

Rick Hendricks makes a motion 2nd by Chris Cargain for election of a new member. After a quick vote.

Kevin was elected as a new member.

Vice President Jake Hallenbeck swore in Kevin as a new member. Congratulations Kevin and Welcome to Station 11.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - President Cullum reports there are a few items left to be completed at the pavilion. The contractor will return to complete all work. If you notice anything please text the President and let her know.

The North Station Project- The Asbestos project is now complete. The bathroom renovations are underway. Inside painting to start on 6/28. The painter should be completed by 7/12. The Flooring company will be starting on 7/14.

President Cullum advised the membership to give the contractors their space and allow them to complete their projects.

Membership Change - President Cullum read a letter from Tom Kennedy looking for a status change from active life member to life member. Thanks for your service Tom!!

NEW BUSINESS: -

The Pavillion is officially Open for bookings . The banquet hall will remain closed.

During discussion with the contractor it was brought up we might want to replace the hot water tank that is in the attic and go with an on demand tank. By replacing the tank it will give more room to put a new pull down staircase.

It was suggested that we buy two tanks, one to cover the gear washer and the other one to cover the rest of the station. George Forgea makes a motion with a 2nd by Rick Hendricks to purchase 2 new tanks not to exceed \$5,000. After a vote of the membership that motion carried.

Good of the Order:

Vice President Hallenbeck read a Thank You card from RP Smith .

President Cullum takes the floor to Thank some members for their time and helping assist in projects over the last few months. Those members are: Chris Cargain, Tim Boel, George & Greg Forgea for the painting and flooring project.

Marc Iorio for planning the softball team and getting the team involved in the league.

Thanks to all the softball team members and others that assisted in her time of need. Quick action and transport by our members made it a little easier. Tracy called out a special Thank You to Sarah Benson RN, (Mike Benson Jr wife) for her assistance she is forever Tracy's hero. Thank You Sarah!!

Asst Chief Mike Lansing for making our sign look so good and the grounds of the Park station looking amazing. Kudos Chief!!

Chief Forgea for handling the parade details.

The team members who assisted with the work detail on the pavilion.

North Station members for working hard emptying the station into the storage unit. Shout out to Marcus Kravitz for bringing the equipment for making the job easier.

Captain Kurt S. for checking with Tracy everyday to see if he could be of any help while she is recovering.

The last person she thanked was her husband Todd Cullum. Thanks for the countless hours you made to make sure the pavilion was ready for the first big party. Thanks for Finishing painting the bathrooms. Also thanks for getting the hall ready for the party for the weekend.

Secretary Benson took the floor to offer that we need to Thank President Cullum for all the work she has put in to make sure all the projects are completed . She is doing that while she has limited mobility with her broken ankle. The membership provided a standing ovation upon my request. Thanks Again Tracy.

Treasurer Benson takes the floor with a request: The Fire Company received a check of \$50 in memory of Life member Cindy Reineke. Paul has requested that he move that money to the Scholarship Account.

Tom Whittemore makes a motion with a 2nd by Marc Iorio to grant the request. Motion was passed.

President Cullum reports she is working with the company to remove the solar panels from the North Station roof. More to follow.

Tim Boel took the floor and was inquiring about the Golf Outing for this year. After a brief discussion it was understood that the old band will be back for another round.(Tim has requested my assistance to help in this fantastic fundraiser.)

We will report back next month and I will send out an email once we get together and work out the details.

Tonight's food & cleanup provided by the Main Station . Next Month is the Explorer Post.

50/50 AMOUNT: \$74 WINNER: TRACY CULLUM

A motion to adjourn was requested by Joe Winnicki with a 2nd by Chris Cargaini . Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Recorded & Submitted to the membership by Secretary Michael J Benson Sr.

