

EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 15, 2024 CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:16 PM

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

President Cullum introduces Rick Matters, Rick spoke about the call for service to his home.

Thanks everyone for your assistance. Rick left a card and a donation.

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

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

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - Chris Cargain read the Report For Sept 2024

CHECKS OVER \$500,. 42 -Check Paid , Checks over \$500- DeCrescente-\$1103.67, Sunlight General-\$855.39, Wicked Smart-\$2,440, H2M-\$3,886, Diagnostic Services-\$3,468, KeyBank-\$1126.15, Bernie's Blue Line-\$1,288.50, Country True Value-\$1,331.38, National Grid-\$961.53, Daley Hospitality Group-\$3,000. Southern Glazer-\$1,009.19, Spectrum-\$812.70, CW Nielsen Corp-\$4,120.95, Burden Lake CC=\$11,727.60, Bill Fox Co-\$3,625.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Ed McCabe SECOND by Jeff Wasileski , to approve the report. Motion Passed.

TREASURER REPORT - Presented by PAUL BENSON

As of September 30th 2024 - Total Income for the Month-\$36,163.10 -Total Expenses-\$46,378.28. Total Assets-\$317,783.39.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Matt Sullivan SECOND: Tim Boel, to approve the report. Motion Passed.

VISA Card REPORT - President CULLUM- Reports,

Charges over \$200- Goombas-\$524.74, Yankee Trails-\$1,300, Rest Depot-\$1080.64, \$548.04, Par Golf Supply-\$241.29, Walmart-\$776.23- Pheasant Hollow-\$1, 720.

Motion by Mike Lansing 2nd by Jeff Wasileski . Motion Passed.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:

Car 1- Chief Tooker-

October 2024 Company Meeting

Chief's Report

1. A reminder that active members must have 10% of calls and 12 drills in order

to be considered active at the end of each year.

Members that want to be considered for an officer position in 2025 needs to be at 15% of calls by 12/1/2024.

- 2. Mark your calendars mandatory drills upcoming -
- a. Tuesday 11/12/2024 at 7:00 pm at the Park Radio Refresher
- b. Tuesday 12/10/2024 at 7:00 pm at the Park BOP Refresher

 Both drills will be live streamed via Google Meet if you are physically unable to attend.
- 3. Members who are in need of bailout prior to the annual refresher in April are urged to keep an eye on their messages we may provide training prior to April 2025.
- 4. Many of you are aware that John Bootz (Winona Lake FD) passed away.

We will relay service information when it is received.

- 4a. Fingerprint scanners are the new devices for attendance. If you have any issues, notify station chiefs; use the sheets if the kiosk is down.
- 5. Thanks again to all of the members who have gone to calls, drills, trainings, and to pub ed. Your efforts are truly appreciated.
- **Car 2- A/C Forgea -** Thanks to everyone that responded to the mutual aid call for Station 8. When driving our trucks make sure the trucks go through all the prompts when starting up then hit the ignition.
- **Car 3- A/C Mike Benson Jr.-** Battery rescue tools are now installed on R11, Thanks to Asst, Chief's Forgea, Lansing and Capt Kurt.

Thanks to everyone who came out to get their physicals. And fit tests.

Thanks to everyone that has signed up for a duty crew shift.

We have logged 405 calls for service so far this month.

Car 4- A/C Lansing- There will be pub ed events on the 18th and the 25th of this month. Mike would like to thank the guys coming to help out at the events and the Past Chief's that have helped. We have educated a lot of children so far.

Driver recerts will start up in November and go the full month.

Thanks for coming to calls.

Commissioner Cook - Security cameras are up and running in the north station. There is no audio being recorded. The data is stored for 1 month. Next online will be the Park Station. Jake Hallenbeck asked David to look into adding a few extra cameras with the money that was set aside for the Main Station cameras. David said he will look into that with President Cullum.

Auxiliary Report- Mickey Jenkins reports on the Holiday Parade will start at Hannaford turn on to 9& 20 to Becker's Farm. The committee is in the process of getting a food truck for the events. Fireworks will be paid for by the Town.

They are looking to do a Polar Plunge in Lake George in honor of Casey Frankowski. More info to follow.

Mickey also mentioned there are 100 banners now in place for the Veterans.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

NORTH STATION -all ok.

MAIN STATION - all ok

PARK STATION - Jake reports to be careful in the parking lot with the construction going on.

Building Use Report- Total Income for rentals \$ 1,700 . Mike Lansing makes a motion to accept 2nd by Jeff Wasileski Motion Passes.

Golf Outing- Tim Boel reports total income for the event \$40,801, expenses \$14,541. Total profit of \$26,260. This has been another successful event. With this event in the books Tim and Mike thanked those members that assisted in getting sponsors and the members that helped out at the golf course.

Both Mike & Tim will be stepping down for this event. (I know we have said that before). It's time someone else steps up and runs our largest fundraising event.

New Main Station Committee- David Cook said the project is under the design phase.

Tunnels to Towers- Marc Iorio stated 26 members attended the event with over 40,000 people watching.

The group ran and walked in honor of Casey Frankowski.

Chris Dick makes a motion to take the Bib that Marc has and place it in a frame to honor her memory.

That motion passes.

Jesse Frankowski thanked everyone on behalf of the family for honoring his sister.

Pizza Nites- This Saturday is our next event . All hands on deck. We have the best pizza and wings in town.

Grants- David Cook passed out a list of several foundations that could be grant opportunities. If you know of any of the foundations listed or have a connection with please reach out to Dave.

Constitution & Bylaw changes- Dave Cook read the proposed change that will be posted in each firehouse.

That proposal will be attached to the end of the minutes.

Trivia Nites- Chairman Marc Iorio reports that we are more than half filled for the 11/15 event.

Pancake Breakfast- Bill Lindemann reports workers should arrive around 7:30 am to work the event.

The date of the event is 12/8.

President Cullum appoints the following Nomination Committee:

Chairman - Past Chief Peter Lehmann, members Past Chief's Tim Boel & Mike Benson Sr.

Motion was made by Jeff Tooker with a 2nd by Mike Lansing to appoint the nominating committee.

That motion passes.

Proposals for Membership and Election of New Members -Kylie Cronkhite

The Membership Committee has approved the applicant.

Dave Cook makes a motion 2nd by Frank Jenkins to approve Kylie Cronkhite.

That motion carries. Congratulations Kylie!

Kylie is then sworn into membership by VP Lindemann.

Change of Status- none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

Mike Benson Sr reports on the Estimate from CLE to clean the kitchen. CLE cleans our fryers for us. Last year we had them come in and clean and what a difference it made. The estimate is for \$1,250 to clean the walls, scrub the floor and the oven. Mike thanked Jake Hallenbeck for his assistance in securing the estimate.

Pete Lehmann makes a motion 2nd by Ryan Tubbs to have CLE clean our kitchen at the \$1,250 amount.

That motion passes.

New Business- None

Good of the Order: -

Commissioner Forgea- We would like to thank everyone that has attended fire prevention and all our fire calls.

Secretary Benson read the correspondence.:

First Communication- a letter from the Town of East Greenbush for participating in the community day at the Town Park.

A Thank You card from Rick and MaryAnn Matters thanking us for responding to their home for an emergency. They also donated \$500 . A Thank You will be sent to the Matters.

A Thank You card from Mike Memole for the Fruit Basket we sent him last Month for his recent hospital stay.

A Snow blower Auction was held for an old snowblower that has been in the garage for a while. Bob Lehmann was appointed Auctioneer by President Cullum. With a few back and forth bids Chris Lavin was awarded the snowblower for \$80.

Membership Secretary Frankowski stated he will now start collecting dues for the next five years if you wish to pay.

President Cullum reports Chief's Letters are due at the November meeting signed and a second.

Next Month's Food is the Park Station and Clean Up.

50/50 AMOUNT: \$71 - -Winner Jim Pendolino !!

With no further business,

A motion to adjourn was requested by Jeff Tooker with a 2nd by Jake Hallenbeck

Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Please see the Proposed BY Law Change:

ARTICLE 2-Membership

Sec. 2 Active Members

Par. 7 Members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the East Greenbush Fire Company,

Incorporated, may achieve active member's status by compliance with Article 3,

Section 1, of this Constitution and By-Laws. Their participation-shall be limited

to serving refreshments at emergencies and performing such other duties, which

shall be authorized by the Chief or Officer in Charge.

Participation as

prescribed in Article 2, Section 2, Paragraphs 2 and 3 are waived for members

of the Ladies-Auxiliary of the East Greenbush Fire Company, Incorporated, who

do not pursue active firefighting duties.

ARTICLE 3 - Attainment of Membership

Sec. 1 Active Members

Par. 1 Proposals for active membership must be in writing on a form prescribed by the

organization, must be signed by the applicant and by two (2) active members,

and must be presented at a regular or annual meeting. An application fee of \$5

must accompany each application plus an additional \$5 dues in advance for the current year.

Par. 2 All applicants shall be present at the time their application is submitted at any

regular monthly meeting, unless excused by the President. At the time of application, prior to the application being brought before the membership for vote, the applicant shall meet with the Membership Committee to review the

qualifications of the applicant and to acquaint the applicant with the requirements

of membership. After review of the qualifications, the application shall be

presented by the Membership Committee for vote if deemed appropriate; or

returned to the applicant if the qualifications or application are not in order.

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary, who apply for active membership under Article

2, Section **2**, Paragraph 7, are not required to be present.

Amendment Proposed by Membership Committee: signed by David A. Cook & Chris Lavin.

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

