



## **EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE: October 17, 2023**

**CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:04 PM at the Park Station Hall by  
President Tracy Cullum President .**

**PLEDGE/MOMENT OF SILENCE For Our Departed Members- Pledge led by SGT Of Arms Ryan Tubbs.**

**Meeting turned over to Membership Committee Chairman David Cook.**

**David put some focus on some of our Life Members who are no longer active or have passed.**

**Main Station - David spoke about Joe Naglieri .** Joe was called Joe Bananas . Joe was the dock Manager at the Port of Albany. Joe would bring boxes of bananas to the main station. Joe joined the department in 1971. For several years Joe was the Captain of the Fire Police. Joe was a navy vet and trained as a cook. Joe brought those talents to the FireHouse cooking several meals .

**Park Station- Hubert Ashley** - Rick Williams spoke about Hubie. He joined the Sherwood Park Fire Dept May 1st , 1959. Hubie was a Fire Chief of the Sherwood Park Dept. Hubie worked his full time job as Fire Chief of Sterling Winthrop.

**North Station- Ted Michel-** Elwin spoke about his Dad. Ted joined in 1965. Ted found the Fire Company interesting after Elwin had joined and 2 years later he joined. Ted was fire chief from 1973- 1977. Ted was instrumental in helping get the North Station built. Ted also served as a Fire Commissioner after being Chief.

**ROLL CALL/NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Roll Call by Secretary Benson Members in attendance total of 60.**

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS Month's Meeting, sent via email by Mike Benson Sr.**

**Motion by Frank Jenkins makes a motion to accept on record SECOND: by Tim Boel. Minutes Approved.**

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - CHRIS CARGAIN READ THE REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 :**

**48 CHECKS TOTALING \$53,591.09 WERE PAID**

10 CHECKS OVER \$500, . CHECKS OVER \$500- KEYBANK -\$1, 410.46 SPECTRUM-\$801.90 , SOUTHERN GLAZER OF NY \$1,434.02, OTIS ELEVATOR-\$1,177.53, JEFF TOOKER CHIEF'S CHECKING ACCOUNT -\$1,900, PELHAM CONTRACTING- -\$25,550, WICKED SMART-\$3,047, TIBBETTS HEATING AND COOLING-\$3,104.50, GALLS- \$4,526.72, KELLY'S MEAT MARKET-\$749.52.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT Report BY: Chris Linck SECOND: by Rich Hendrick . Motion Passed.**

**TREASURER REPORT - PRESENTED BY PAUL BENSON**

**AS OF SEPTEMBER 30 TH 2023** TOTAL INCOME FOR THE MONTH -\$31,629.66. TOTAL EXPENSES- \$53,591.09,.NET ORDINARY INCOME - \$21,961.43. TOTAL ASSETS-\$179,836.02.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT Report BY : Pete Lehmann SECOND by : Joe Winicki .Motion Passed.**

**VISA Card REPORT - President CULLUM- Reports,**

*Charges over \$200- . Walmart- \$1,004.46 for golf outing, Market 32-\$278.02 for Life members day, Restaurant Depot-\$887.63 & \$532.08 for pizza nites, Sams Club- \$214.17 for golf outing, Manor House Pizza- \$257.60, Sherwin Williams, \$336.51, Staples \$255.91, Parts Town- \$1269.17 for Pizza oven. Home depot -\$250.54.*

**Motion to accept Report by Eric Cullum Second by Jim Pendelino. Motion Passed.**

**Communications & Bills** - Reviewed under Good of the Order.

**REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:**

**Chief Tooker Reports:Fire Company Meeting – October 2023**

**1. I failed to recognize those members who marched in the Greene County parade back in September. Thanks to all who came.**

**2. Thanks to all members who have attended Public Education events.**

**These are very important events to teach our young citizens about public safety.**

**3. Thanks for your patience with the physicals.**

**If anyone has any questions about physicals, please let me know.**

**4. I am going to put together a District polo shirt order.**

**If your polo shirt is worn out or otherwise has shrunk in the closet, please see me at some point before you leave tonight.**

**5. Please mark Tuesday, December 12, 2023 down as a mandatory drill night.**

**We will be reviewing BOPs that evening.**

**It will be virtual for those who may be working, etc. that night.**

**6. Thanks again to all members who are coming around to drills, calls, and other events. We currently, as of today, have 75 active members who are in compliance with all requirements of the BOPs.**

***Car 2- Assistant Chief Forgea no report.***

***Car 3- Assistant Chief Benson reviewed the upcoming drills . Chief Benson thanked all the members for duty crew and responding to the fire calls.***

***Car 4- Assistant Chief Lansing reports- Mike thanked the members that have come out to PUB ED this month. Green Meadow is next Monday the 23rd. Meet at the Main station at 9am. Plmo vent is out of service for T-11. They are a little backed up but should be on site shortly. Mike also thanked the members that went to the Tunnel to Towers run.***

**Report of Other Officers: none**

**Ladies Auxiliary- President Mickey Jenkins reports of the upcoming vendor fair on 11/4. They now have 30 vendors looking for 2 more . Come out and support the event.**

**Explorer Post 11- Tim gave an update on the Post. They are looking for some new members. They lost 1 member already moved up and another one will be this evening. If you know of anyone please let Tim know.**

***REPORT OF COMMITTEES:***

**NORTH STATION - Sealcoating is done in the North. George said great job .**

**MAIN STATION - all ok.**

**Park Station- Brad Golitta that he repaired the timer on the Parking lot lights.**

**Building use report-**

**Pavilion Rentals-\$2,475, Hall \$500, Bar Income \$2,320. Total Income \$5,295 . Total expenses-\$40.**

**Motion to accept the report , By Mike Lansing 2nd by Eric Cullum Motion Passed.**

**EGFD Golf Outing - Tim Boel reviewed the results of the outing. Total Income is \$43,534. Total Expenses-\$17,853. Total Profit is \$25,681. We lost some golfers due to the bad weather on Friday.**

**Overall it was a huge success. Thanks to the 11 members that came out to the Golf Course to assist us. Thanks to those members that worked hard in securing sponsors. Tim and Mike Benson Sr have announced that this is their last Golf Outing. They stated they would be available to offer advice if needed. We have done it for twenty plus years. It is time someone else steps up and runs the outing.**

**Pizza Nite Committee-**

**Mike Benson Sr. gave the report for October- Total Income-\$2,454, Total expenses-\$1,116.81. Total Profit for the event-\$1,037.74. 61 Pizzas , 47 orders of wings, 29 orders of mozzarella sticks, and 12 salads. With 2 months in we have about \$2,400 in profit. Linda Cook and Mike thank all the workers that helped work the event and the members that purchased food.**

**President Cullum reports a Pancake Breakfast will be held on December 3rd .**

**Marc Iorio reports a chicken BBQ and Trivia nite will be held on 11/17. BBQ will be provided by Bernie's Blue Line. He needs about 8 workers for the BBQ. More Information to follow.**

**Tunnels to Towers Run and Walk- Marc Iorio** - Marc reported that everyone had a good time. As you exited the Tunnel you were greeted by the pictures of the lives lost on 9/11. Kurt Schlacter thanked Marc Iorio for putting the event together.

**President Cullum announces upcoming dates of importance:**

Holiday Parade will be on 12/2 and the Installation Banquet will be on 1/20 at **Birch Hill**.

The Christmas party will be 12/16. More details to follow.

*Nominating Committee- Pete Lehmann has agreed to handle all the stations. Sign up sheets will be posted on Wednesday . If you are looking to run for an office please sign the sheet.*

*Main Station Project Committee- Chris reports that the committee needs some approval from the fire company to move forward on the project. We need approval of the RFP by our attorney Terry Hannigan. Once we get his approval we can then send the RFP to various firms for a proposal which will take some time.*

***Chris Lavin makes a motion with a second by David Cook to seek approval by our attorney of the RFP not to exceed \$1,200. Upon the approval of the attorney that the committee be authorized to distribute the RFP to various firms. That motion passes.***

**MEMBERSHIP -**

***Proposals for membership and Election of New Members - Matthew Garner and Emily Brown.***

***David Cook makes a motion with a 2nd by Mike Lansing for Matthew Garner for membership.***

***Matthew is approved.***

***Emily Brown***

***Mike Benson Jr, makes a motion with a 2nd by Caden Poli for Emily Brown for membership.***

***Emily is approved.***

*President Cullum swears in both new members.*

***Status Change- Several members to be removed from the active rolls.***

*Keenan Cosgrove- RP Smith makes a motion 2nd by Caden Poli to accept his letter of resignation.*

*Motion Approved.*

*Kevin Schwebke- Jake Memole makes a motion 2nd by RP Smith to accept his letter of resignation.*

*Motion Approved.*

*Mike Condo- Mike has asked to step down from the active rolls. Mike is a Life Member.*

*Tim Boel makes the motion 2nd by Chris Lavin to honor Mike's request. That motion passes.*

**Scott Ciabattari- Chuck Rossback makes a motion to accept Scotts letter of resignation to move to the social roles. Second by Todd Cullum. That motion passes.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS - The President reports the sealcoating project at all three stations is now completed.**

*Roofing Quotes due to damage from the solar panels are being secured.- More to follow.*

*President Cullum would like to thank James Kownack for the donation of the lawn mower for the use at the North Station.*

*The Kitchen cleaning was completed before Pizza Nite. Kitchen looks great.*

*No other unfinished business from the floor.*

**NEW BUSINESS: - President Cullum reports,**

*Top pizza oven Thermocouple should be replaced since the bottom one was replaced last month. We don't want to have any issues during an event.*

*After a brief discussion David Cook makes a motion 2nd by Marcus Kravitts. That motion passes.*

*President Cullum reports our WIFI system went down last month. It was determined the unit had to be replaced. The board of directors approved to split the cost with the Fire District. That cost was \$750. The unit is up and running.*

**Good of the Order: - Vice President Hallenbeck reviews the communications.**

A check in the amount of \$500 was received from Stewart's Shoppes. Thanks to Marc Iorio for taking care of the application and securing the funds.

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

RP Smith inquires about the sign for Becker Pavillion. President Cullum advises the sign will be looked at to see if it can be cleaned up and painted . She will report back.

Rick Williams reports that Life Member David P Cook will be retiring as Fire Chief of the Albany Airport. Rick got approval for the bus to take a crew to Dave's walkout ceremony. If Interested in going please report to the Park Station at 12:30 pm on Monday the 23rd.

**Tonight's food & cleanup provided by the North Station . Food next month is Park Station .**

**50/50 AMOUNT: \$71 WINNER: KURT SCHLACTER- CONGRATULATIONS !**

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



***The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.***

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

