

## EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 18, 2022

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:04 PM

PLEDGE/MOMENT OF SILENCE - VP Hallenbeck led the department with the Pledge of Allegiance. Then a moment of Silence was held for our departed members.

ROLL CALL/NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Roll Call by Secretary Benson - 54 Members in attendance.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH'S MEETING(S) - Mike Benson Sr.- Sent Via email. MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Jake Memole SECOND: Ryan Tubbs Minutes approved.

### FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - CHRIS CARGAIN READ THE REPORT

CHECKS OVER \$500, 48 CHECKS IN TOTAL PAID. \$85,857. CHECKS OVER \$500-NATIONAL GRID \$ ,1,176.85, CROWN CLEANERS-\$1,479.04, Joe Torre, \$10,000,\$1,600, LINDA COOK-\$1311.74, KEY BANK CREDIT CARDS-27,375.59, CINTAS-\$801.04, JESSICA PINNEO-\$2,500 (NORTH STATION CABINETS), OTIS-\$1,148.40, DECRESCENTE DISTRIBUTING -\$705.39, Joe Torre -\$9,100, Burden Lake Country Club -\$13,600, Wicked Smart-\$3,622 (Golf Outing Items Shirts, Flags). Marine Village -\$2,500.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Matt Sullivan SECOND: Jim Pendelino Motion Passed.

### TREASURER REPORT - PRESENTED BY PAUL BENSON

**As of September** 30 th 2022 Total of All Assets - \$162,565.01 Total Income for the Month -\$29,595.48 Total Expenses - \$72,225.48, Net Ordinary Income - -\$42,630.

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY: Mike Memole SECOND: Joe Winnicki Motion Passed.

VISA Card REPORT - President CULLUM- Reports

Charges over \$200-

Mountain Top Septic \$278.40, Lowes \$260.81, Goombas \$613.70, Price Chopper \$210.57 (Greene County Parade Food). Walmart \$959.04, Golf Outing Prizes, Home Depot for the North Station Kitchen \$1006.55, Best Capital Customs - \$1050 Golf Outing Home Depot \$2779.92 North Kitchen. Turnpike Beverage -\$557.17 (Golf Outing).

Motion by Tim Boel Second by Ed McCabe Motion Passed.

Communications & Bills - Reviewed under Good of the Order.

## **REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:**

### **CAR 1 - District Chief JEFF TOOKER-**

**October 2022 Company Meeting** 

- 1. Thanks to the members who have given up their time to attend Public Education events. I know these take a large chunk of time, but our community appreciates it.
- 2. New iPads have been installed on the apparatus.

Training will commence on single company nights or as time permits.

- 3. District polos for those that need them will be ordered ASAP there is a back order for Navy Blue ones.
- 4. Those who need to go to Wellnow for a physical have until November 15 th to do so. Those who went will be notified as to your status ASAP.
  Your station chief has your FIT test results (one for your records) to hand to

you.

- 5. Please take care of your gear as best you can we are in need of ordering some ASAP and we are (thankfully) seeing a large increase in membership.
- 6. Driver recertifications will be extended to November 11, 2022 due to the apparatus being in and out of service for maintenance.
- 7. Please make sure you know our box alarm assignments and if you aren't sure about what should go, raise a Chief on the air and inquire.

New box alarms can be expected for 2023.

- 8. BOP review is scheduled for December 13. Please be at that drill so that we can review many of the changes that have been implemented.
- Car 2- A/C Forgea -Tracy will be collecting for next year's Hudson Valley parade. Training Smoke is on order.
- Car 3- A/C Mike Benson Jr.- Engine 7 will be out of service a little while the pump is being repaired.

On 11/22 will be the County Radio Refresher. Mike thanks everyone that attended the West Sand Lake Drill.

Car 4- A/C Lansing-

Mike reports driver recertification is still going on . Please see your Captains or a Past Chief to get this completed.

Thanks to everyone that has showed up for all the Pub Ed events. There are more events for the rest of the month and into November.

**Report of Other Officers:** 

Tom Whittemore took the floor and reviewed the new packs with the different Chirping modes. If you have any questions please reach out to your station officers.

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEES:**

BUILDING USE REPORT - T CULLUM - September 2022=

4 Pavillion Rentals in the amount of \$1,000, 1 Hall Rental for \$250 total Income \$1,250.

Expense -\$40 for Bartender.

Marc Iorio makes a motion second by Chris Linck to accept the report. Motion Passed.

**Report of Committees:** 

NORTH STATION - George Forgea reports all the work is complete on the North Station. The Station looks great!! Thanks for everyone's help. If you haven't seen it please stop by and take a look.

MAIN STATION - nothing to report..

PARK STATION - nothing to report.

Golf Committee- Tim Boel took the floor and thanked all the members that helped make this event successful. This was our best event ever. Total Income \$54,611 less total expenses \$24,069 leaves a profit of \$30,542 most on record. Once again Mike & Tim thanked everyone for their help. Overall comments from the Golfers is they enjoyed the event on a Friday.

Pizza Nite- MIke Benson Sr reports,

We served 70 Pizzas, 53 orders of wings, and 13 orders of mozzarella sticks. Total expenses \$813.90, total Income -\$ 2547.75. (\$440 from placemats). Net profit for the event \$1,433.85. Thanks for everyone's help.

Marc Iorio spoke about two new fundraisers for November 18. First is a drive thru- Chicken and pulled pork by Bernie's BBQ. Second is a Trivia nite. Marc sent out a separate message with all the details.

I will include that memo with the minutes.

Chris Lavin stated that the annual fund drive has been delayed due to the printers. This delay will be about two weeks. We will keep you posted.

Constitution and Bylaws - Tom Chesser reported there is one new item which will be posted in the stations. The Proposed changes are to Article 2 Section 2 Paragraph 1.

The Proposed changes were proposed by Jeff Tooker 2nd by Mike Lansing,

See Below:

# **Proposed By-Law Change October 2022**

Article 2, Section 2, Paragraph 1 currently reads as follows:

Active members shall be at least 17 years of age. They shall reside or shall be gainfully employed within the territory set forth in Article 1, Section 3. Proposed members shall reside within the Town of East Greenbush or any additional territories protected by the East Greenbush Fire District #3. After a period of three (3) years, active members shall be permitted to reside outside the District as set forth in Article 1, Section 3, but shall be responsible to maintain the requirements as set forth in Article 2, Section 2, Paragraphs 2,3,4,5. They shall be legal residents of the United States, shall be of good moral character and sound body, and shall meet such additional requirements as may be contained in any law or regulation applicable to the organization. Prospective members that reside within the town of East Greenbush or any Fire Protective District that East Greenbush Fire District #3 contracts with shall be considered for active membership by the Membership Committee and the Company, in accordance with Town Law 176-b.

A proposed amendment to Article 2, Section 2, Paragraph 1 shall read: [Bold indicates the change.]

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# Sections 6 and 7 of Town Law 176-b for Reference:

- 6. A person who cannot meet the residence requirements of subdivision three of this section may be elected to membership as a volunteer member of any fire company of the fire department if by reason of his or her residence in the vicinity or his or her usual occupation he or her will be available to render active service as a volunteer firefighter in the fire district or in territory which is afforded fire protection pursuant to a contract for fire protection by the fire department of the fire district, or a fire company thereof. Such election shall be pursuant to the by-laws, if any, of the fire company; otherwise by a three-fourths vote of the members of the fire company present and voting at a regular or special meeting thereof. The membership of any person so elected shall not become effective unless approved by resolution of the board of fire commissioners. Membership shall be deemed to have been approved pursuant to this subdivision in the event that no action is taken by the board of fire commissioners, either approving or disapproving within seventy days after service of written notice of election to membership shall have been made by the secretary of the fire company upon the secretary of the board of fire commissioners, either personally or by mail. The membership of any volunteer member elected pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision shall terminate when the member cannot meet either the requirements of this subdivision or the residence requirements of subdivision three of this section. In the case of a fire district which adjoins another state, the term "vicinity", as used in this subdivision, includes territory in this state and territory in the adjoining state.
- 7. (a) The membership of any volunteer firefighter shall not be continued pursuant to subdivision five of this section, and persons shall not be elected to membership pursuant to subdivision six of this section, if, by so doing, the percentage of such non-resident members in the fire company would exceed forty-five per centum of the actual membership of the fire company provided however, that the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the memberships of the Shelter Island Heights fire

district, the Cherry Grove fire district, the Fire Island Pines fire district, the Davis Park fire department, and the Cold Spring Harbor fire district in Suffolk county, the New Hampton fire district, the Mechanicstown fire district, the Pocatello fire district, the Washington Heights fire district and the Good Will fire district in Orange county, the Jericho fire district, the Westbury fire district and the Roslyn Rescue Hook and Ladder Company. No. 1 in Nassau county, the Orangeburg fire district in Rockland county, the South Lockport Fire Company and the Terry's Corners volunteer fire company in Niagara County, the Taunton fire district and the Onondaga Hill fire department in Onondaga county, the Town of Batavia fire department in Genesee County, the Schuyler Heights fire district, the Boght Community fire district and the Slingerlands fire district I in Albany county, the town of Providence fire district in Saratoga county, the River Road fire district, No. 3 and the Armor Volunteer Fire Company in Erie county, the Sir William Johnson Fire Company in Fulton county, the Fort Johnson Fire district in Montgomery county or the memberships of the Millwood fire district, the Purchase Fire District, the North Castle South Fire District, No. 1 in Westchester county, the Thornwood fire company, No. 1 in Westchester county and the Rockland Lake fire district in Rockland county.

Nominating Committee- Peter Lehmann has offered to do all three stations for the upcoming elections for 2023.

Mike Memole makes a motion 2nd by Tim Boel. That motion was approved.

**MEMBERSHIP** -

Proposals for membership and Election of New Members - None

Change of Status- Erin Condo

Tim Boel makes a motion 2nd by Jake Memole. A vote was taken to remove Erin from the rolls.

Quick discussion that Erin no longer has the time or interest. The vote was approved to remove Erin Condo from the rolls.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - VP Hallenbeck has two estimates to replace the cooling unit above the weight room. Eastern \$19,975, Crisafulli- \$27,650. This item will be budgeted and approved during the springtime.

Park Station sealcoating estimate of \$13,400 by Smith Paving. This will be looked into again next year.

North Station remote door openers up and working . Just waiting on the other motor for the additional bay.

NEW BUSINESS: - David Cook took the floor. He is working on an archive project to get all our records and minutes in one place. Dave will be assisted by Chris Lavin and Mike Prestipino. If you see records out in the training room please don't touch. Dave will report back once the project is completed.

President Cullum announces two Dates 12/3 for the Town Holiday Parade & 12/17 for the annual Christmas Party. More to follow.

Vice President Hallenbeck read the delinquent list of members who have not paid the annual dues.

#### Good of the Order:

Chiefs letters are due at the November meeting signed and with a second.

VP Jake Hallenbeck read the correspondence for the month.

Tim Boel makes a motion second by Ryan Tubbs to send a \$50 donation to the FASNY Christmas fund for the Hudson Home. The motion was carried.

VP Hallenbeck reports we received a donation of \$250 from Cap -Com. A thank you will be sent by the secretary.

George Forgea offers a big Thank You to Brad for the rehooking of the alarm system in the North Station.

Chris Linck reports the Elks canceled the Greenbush award dinner for now. They will try to relaunch the event.

Tim Boel makes a motion 2nd by Chris Linck to take out a ½ page ad for \$50 for Past President Robert Outhouse ad book.

Brad G. reports the Red Vest meeting is Sunday October 30th in Athens.

David Cook makes a motion 2nd by RP Smith to award Michael Condo Life Membership. A quick vote was taken and that vote was passed. Congratulations Mike!

Tonight's food & cleanup provided by the North Station. Next Month food is provided by the Park Station.

50/50 AMOUNT: \$56 WINNER: JIM PENDELINO.

A motion to adjourn was requested by Mike Memole with a 2nd by Mike Lansing. Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.



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