



EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 19, 2023

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:02 PM at the Pavillion by President Tracy Cullum President .

Tracy calls on Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners - Bob Lehmann,

Bob thanks the membership for all the help responding to calls. The dinner tonight is a small token of appreciation. The Chief's also have a small gift for you as well. Bob also thanked Secretary Williams for all her help in organizing the dinner.

PLEDGE/MOMENT OF SILENCE For Our Departed Members- Pledge led by VP Jake Hallenbeck.

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David put some focus on some of our Life members who are no longer active or have passed.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 - Past Chief Frank Becker- David spoke about Frank and his legacy. Frank was an Assistant Chief and the Fire Chief in the early 80's. Frank was instrumental in our Town Wide 911 center being built and manned by Full Time dispatchers. He was also a strong advocate for the building department enforcement of Building Codes. Also Frank was instrumental in helping the department obtain the land for the Park Station and building a new station as well as the Pavillion. The Pavillion was named in Frank's honor as the "Frank H Becker Memorial Pavillion". When Frank was no longer active but he was still working he would come buy the park station for some humor and a cold beer.

Park Station- Harold Bud Wilcox- Bud was a member of the Park Station. He had a career in the appliance repair business. He worked for some bigger Appliance Companies then opened his own repair company. If you needed a fridge or another appliance fixed and he would never take any money for his labor and just wanted to make sure you were all set and you helped him cover the cost of the part. Bud always maintained the beer taps . During his time the coldest beer was always at the Sherwood Park Fire house on Michigan Avenue.

North Station- Leonard Boel- Len was out of the North Station . Len lived on Paul Street. Len was Tim Boels dad. Len was a longtime member of the Fire Police. Len always made sure the trucks made it safely through the Rte 4 Intersection during a fire call. On the social side Len was instrumental in the Tuesday night card games at the North. Len's card game of choice was Spades.

David Cook makes a motion 2nd by Jake Memole that Life Membership be awarded to J. Robert Hickey Captain of the Fire Police who was a Line Of Duty Death. Bob's name is listed on the State Fallen Firefighters Wall. That motion Passes.

ROLL CALL/NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Roll Call by Secretary Benson Members in attendance total of 63.

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

Motion by Jim Pendolino SECOND: by Dawson Cimijotti. Minutes Approved.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - CHRIS CARGAIN READ THE REPORT FOR AUGUST 2023 :

22 CHECKS TOTALING \$41,796.87 WERE PAID

9 CHECKS OVER \$500, . CHECKS OVER \$500- KEY BANK -\$3,069.52, SPECTRUM-\$801.90 , CREIGHTON MANNING -\$2,500 ,PELLHAM CONTRACTING-\$2,500,ISABELLA REXIUS \$750. SPECTRUM \$801.90. GALLS- \$639.96, COUNTRY TRUE VALUE-\$1747.36, RED CAPS -\$1,700.

MOTION TO ACCEPT Report BY: Tom Chesser SECOND: by Eric Cullum . Motion Passed.

TREASURER REPORT - PRESENTED BY PAUL BENSON

As of AUGUST 30 TH 2023 TOTAL INCOME FOR THE MONTH -\$7,827.93. TOTAL EXPENSES- \$39,796.87.45,.NET ORDINARY INCOME - -\$31,968.94. TOTAL ASSETS-\$201,679.45.

MOTION TO ACCEPT Report BY : Pete Lehmann SECOND by : Tom Kennedy .Motion Passed.

VISA Card REPORT - President CULLUM- Reports,

Charges over \$200- . Sam's Club for meeting food-\$228.55

Motion to accept Report by Marcus Kravitts Second by Marc Iorio. Motion Passed.

Communications & Bills - Reviewed under Good of the Order.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:

Chief Tooker Reports:

This Wednesday is Physicals please make sure you get to the park station ½ hour before your slot.

Make sure you have all doctors notes and paperwork filled out.

Car 2- Assistant Chief Forgea reports there are 313 total calls for the year . With the recent rainstorm we may be 334. Thanks for everyone's help with all the calls.

Car 3- Assistant Chief Benson reports the Drill Schedule is out for the next three months. Thanks for all the help with the Duty Crew.

Car 4- Assistant Chief Lansing reports- Thanks for everyone's help during the recent rainstorm. PUB Ed Season will be starting and help will be needed. The schedule has been posted.

Report of Other Officers: none

Ladies Auxiliary- President Mickey Jenkins reports of the upcoming vendor fair on 11/4. They are still looking for vendors. If you know of anyone please direct them to Mickey.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

NORTH STATION - George Forgea- Waiting on gear washer to arrive, then the electric will be installed

MAIN STATION - all ok.

Park Station- Jake reports on the roof leaks they will be looked into. It is believed the leaks are around the solar panels.

Building use report-

Total Rentals \$2,150 Expenses -0 . Total Income \$2,150.

Motion to accept the report , By Tim Boel 2nd by Jim Trimmer Motion Passed.

EGFD Golf Outing - Tim Boel stated there will be a small work detail at 7pm at the park on the 28th to load the Trucks for the Golf Outing. Friday the 29th we will meet at 7am at the Park Station.

Green County Parade- Tracy gave a follow up of the parade that was held on Saturday the 9th .



Best Out of County Color Guard, Best Firematic Unit 15 and over ,

Best Appearing Apparatus (Engine 8).

Best Overall Out of County.

Thanks to everyone that came out to parade.

Foreman Joe Winnicki thanked everyone that came out to help him prepare Engine 8 for the Parade.



Pizza Nite Committee-

Mike Benson Sr. gave the report for our first event ,

Total Expenses-\$1,554.58 , Total Income \$3063, total profit \$1,208.42. We sold 64 Pizzas, 52 orders of wings , 25 Mozzarella stix, and 6 salads. Thanks to the crew that came out to help with the event. We managed to push out all those pizzas mostly on time with only the top part of the oven working.

Thanks to Sue Benson who worked on the placemat and was able to solicit enough vendors to fill it . Great job Sue!! Next event 10/14.

Life Members Day- Mike Benson Sr.reports : We held our annual event on 9/10 which was a huge success. Thanks to those life members about 65 that attended . Thanks to my Co Chair Linda Cook assisted me in planning the event. Thanks to the other committee members, Mickey Jenkins, Chef Jim Trimmer, Rick Williams, John Donnelly. Also thanks to our bartender Joe Winnicki.

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. More details to follow.

MEMBERSHIP -

Proposals for membership and Election of New Members - None

Status Change-None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - David Cook makes a motion with a 2nd by Tim Boel that the Fire Company purchase a laptop for the membership secretary so that all those records will be backed up on the server. Motion Passes.

Report form the Main Station Project Committee-

Chris Lavin reports on two items of concern. 1.The current solar panels on the roof of the main station and the other stations. 2. The second item of discussion is for the cost of the RFP review for the project.

The committee is looking to get lawyer cost estimates for these two items.

Chris Lavin Makes a motion with a 2nd by Chris Linck to obtain an estimate on Terry Hanigans (lawyer) charge for him to look into the FD getting out of the solar contracts. Chris asks that the Treasurer supply our out of pocket costs for roof repairs on all three stations.

After the discussion on the motion was battled around for a while the President called for a vote on obtaining the estimate . That motion passes. Chris will report back.

Item 2- An Estimate Quote from our attorney for the RFP proposal to review:

Chris Lavin makes a motion with a second by Jake Hallenbeck to seek an estimate for attorney fees to review the RFP .

After another discussion was battled around the President called for a vote . That motion was passed.

Chris will now report back on two cost proposals to the membership.

NEW BUSINESS: -

Seal Coating project- VP Hallenbeck reports they are not ready yet.

Frank Jenkins makes a motion with a 2nd by Marcus Kravitz to purchase a new lawn mower for the North Station. That motion passes.

Mike Benson Sr makes a motion with a 2nd by Chris Linck to have the Park Station kitchen cleaned by CLE the company that cleans our fryers with an estimate of \$1,050. Motion passes.

Mike Benson Sr makes a motion with a 2nd by Tom Whittemore to have the exhaust hood cleaned in the Park Kitchen . VP Hallenbeck will handle the project. Motion passes.

No More New Business.

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

A donation was made of \$500 by Claude Rounds who resides on Berkshire Drive. Claude's property got flooded with the recent rainstorm. A Thank YOU was sent to Claude. Claude was a former member of the Main Station.

Marc Iorio reports there will be a brief meeting after the company meeting on the Tunnel to Towers Run.

All participants please see Marc.

President Cullum calls on Rick Williams. Rick Williams spoke about Life Member Tom Gullo.

While Tom was at camp up North one of the campers collapsed right in front of him. Tom reacted immediately and started CPR. Tom kept at it until an AED was located and the EMS arrived on site.

The gentleman did survive because of Tom's quick action. Tom said his training as a dispatcher and his FD training helped him . Congratulations TOM !!! Thanks to Rick for bringing this to our attention. The department gave him a standing ovation.

Membership Secretary Dave Cook presented the President with the restored first minute book . That will be displayed in our trophy case.

Karen McDonald spoke about how proud she is to be a member and how EGFD is respected during parades. She here's positive comments all the time.

Karen mentioned this weekend is a FASNY Weekend at the Hudson Home. There will be a parade on Saturday for the residents.

Tonight's food & cleanup provided by the Fire Commissioners . Food next month is for the North Station .

50/50 AMOUNT: \$80 WINNER: MICKEY JENKINS - CONGRATULATIONS !

A motion to adjourn was requested by Bill Lindememann with a 2nd by Tom Chesser. . Motion Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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





