

Board of Fire Commissioners

Greenfield Fire District
Greenfield Center, NY 12833

The **August 13,2025** Commissioners Meeting of the Greenfield Fire District was called to order at the District Office by Commissioner Ellsworth at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence were recognized for departed members.

Present were: Commissioners Ellsworth, Chouinard, Russo, Etson; D/S Gimbel, D/P Acunto, Treasurer Petkus. Please see sign in sheet for others in attendance.

RESOLUTION #278 APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING, JULY 23,2025

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED Approving the minutes of the following meetings, July 23, 2025

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:

Commissioner Ellsworth questioned again why Company # 3's National Grid bill is so high. Treasurer Petkus will look into it.

RESOLUTION # 279 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #15 DATED AUGUST 13,2025 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #250329 THROUGH VOUCHER #250358, TOTALING \$33,313.18.

A3410.1	\$	8,662.91
A3410.2	\$	668.45
A3541.4	\$	22,915.29
A9000	\$	1,066.53

Total: \$ 33,313.18

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED approving payment of abstract #15 dated August 13,2025 from the general fund, voucher #250329 through voucher #250358, totaling \$33,313.18.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Firefighter/Auxiliary Applications and Changes in membership: No applications at this time.

Reports of the Staff:

- **District Secretary:** Kim Gimbel
 - The Director of the Saratoga Springs Public Library has requested the use of the Co #1 hall on Friday September 26 for staff development. They are looking at ways to better serve the Town of Greenfield this year. President Gibbins will put it to a vote at the Co#1 meeting. I have their application and the insurance binder
 - I would like to request that we allow Overhead Door of Glens Falls an access card to enter the buildings for their Preventive Maintenance work.
 - Received the certificate of insurance from Night Rider Janitorial. They Moved in to their Closet in Co#1 on Tuesday August 5
 - Ken Hausam would like access to Middle Grove Co# 3 for his pistol permit class on September 13th and 14th
 - Employee Self Evaluations have been given to the board for your review. The Board will need to schedule Employee Evaluations Dates and Times. **It was decided to hold them before the next Board meeting on August 27th to start @ 6:00 PM.**
 - Access Compliance is available to meet with the board. Decided to push until at least October. I will contact him.

Director of Purchasing: Fred Acunto

- Following up on the July 23rd board meeting, the gas meters that were sent to Ideal Calibrations have now been returned to service as of August 12th.
- Working on getting the pump and generator from the shed posted to Auctions International. Should be up soon—need to finalize the listing info.
- Funds from the tire sale on Auctions International have been received in full.
- The RFP for the Greenfield Firehouse sign is complete. Awaiting final proposal submission from the electrician to move forward.
- Northway County Auto Radiator has confirmed they are unable to complete the repair to the air conditioning system on the rescue bus. Following their

recommendation, Leonard Bus has been contacted and is available to assess the issue after the first week of September.

- The Plymovent exhaust extraction system will be serviced on Tuesday, August 20th starting at 9:00 AM
- Preventative maintenance on all overhead doors is currently underway. Inspections have been completed for most equipment, which has been confirmed to be in optimal working condition. The final inspection remaining is for Company #4, which is scheduled to be completed shortly

Treasurer: Joyce Petkus

- Working on the budget

Report of the Chief – District Chief Duane Bogardus

Truck 291 (Deep South) is not working out at Co #2; they would like to have truck 273 back. The membership is behind this 100%. 273 may need some repairs and Co#2 is aware.

Discussion continued on the surplus of 291 and the process of returning 273 to service

RESOLUTION #280 THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS HAS DETERMINED THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE DISTRICT TO RETURN THE PREVIOUSLY SURPLUSSED 1999 FRIEHTLINER BACK TO THE CURRENT IN SERVICE FLEET.

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED the board of fire commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the district to return the previously surplused 1999 Freightliner back to the current in-service fleet

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Report of the EMS Coordinator – Tom Vumbaco

Working on Budget items

Reports from Companies:

Company #1 – Not Present

Company #2 – Deputy Chief Alvord

Training

truck swap request covered by the Chief

Working on a new pickup truck will be addressed at next meeting. Would like to piggy back

Company #3 – Deputy Chief Petkus

Going out of town Friday – Friday

Battalion Parade Invite. Asking for permission to take 280

Company #4 – Deputy Chief King

Nothing at this time

Report of the Training Committee :

EVOG training is happening. Captain Ramsey will offer a make up session. Must do classroom and driving portion. The training committee decided you must drive the course in the engine to drive an engine.

Report of The Explorers Program Not present

Reports of the Commissioners:

- **Ellsworth –**

- Rob Lewis from Pierse would like to have the ladder inspection done first. Director of Purchasing Fred will call to see who they recommend.
- 271 is going for undercoating Aug 18
- 292 is going the 20th for the shifter
- 263 maybe done this week.
- Middle Grove has 1 AC unit fixed, waiting on parts for 2nd unit.
- Chief King working on the Box with Captain Barss
- Chief Bogardus looking into cancer screening still
- Business cards look good order for commissioners and not the chiefs until elections.
- Garage Door on the Barn at Co#2. Need quotes to replace the door and have the center portion removed.
- Sign at Greenfield Fire Department moving along. RFP almost finished.

- **Etson –**
 - Nothing at this time
- **Russo –**
 - Is there preventative maintenance on the chiefs' vehicles? Will they look at the brake pads when they rotate the tires etc.
- **Chouinard –** Nothing at this time

Reports of the Town Board/Planning Board Liaisons

Greenfield: Commissioner Etson

Brookview Mobile Home Park want approval to expand

Wilton: Commissioner Chouinard

Nothing at this time

District Policy Review: No Changes Made

- #31 Honorary Deputy Chief
- #43 Funeral Policy

Old Business:

Motions

RESOLUTION #281 GIVING OVERHEAD DOORS OF GLENS FALLS ACCESS TO ALL FIRE COMPANIES TO PERFORM THE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AS SCHEDULED ON THE BAY DOORS.

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED Giving Overhead Doors of Glens Falls access to all fire companies to perform the preventive maintenance as scheduled on the bay doors

.VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #282 GIVING KEN HAUSAM PERMISSION TO USE COMPANY #3 FOR HIS PISTOL PERMIT COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 13TH AND 14TH.

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED: Giving Ken Hausam permission to use Company #3 for his Pistol Permit course on September 13th and 14th.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #283 TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR MATTERS CONCERNING EMPLOYMENT MATTERS OF A CERTAIN PERSON AT 7:51 PM

Public Officers Law § 105 f. Concerning the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED: to enter into executive session for matters concerning employment matters of a certain person at 7:51 PM

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 284 TO RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:37 PM

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED: accepting the contract received by County Waste & Recycling) for trash removal services

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Special Topics of Discussion/Final Comments:

RESOLUTION # 285 TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth with a second from Commissioner Etson to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kimberly A. Gimbel
District Secretary