

Board of Fire Commissioners
Greenfield Fire District
Greenfield Center, NY 12833

The **August 27, 2025** Budget Workshop / 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 #289 APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING, August 13, 2025

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED Approving the minutes of the following meetings, August 13, 2025

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:

RESOLUTION #290 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #15 DATED AUGUST 13, 2025 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #250359 THROUGH VOUCHER #250380, TOTALING \$44,406.86.

A3410.1	\$ 8,571.91
A3541.4	\$ 34,775.40
A9000	\$ 1,059.55

Total:	\$ 44,406.86

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED approving payment of abstract #15 dated August 13, 2025 from the general fund, voucher #250359 through voucher #250380, totaling \$44,406.86.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Firefighter/Auxiliary Applications and Changes in membership:

Co#2 – Jamison Canfield- Change from Active Probationary to Active Fire Fighter

Reports of the Staff:

- **District Secretary:** Kim Gimbel
 - The Actuarial Cost Estimate from PENFLEX was received and a copy was forwarded to the Board
 - Company #1 voted and approved the Saratoga Springs Public Library to use their hall on September 26, 2025
 - Chief Edward Petkus has been invited to participate in the East Meadow Fire Department Battalion Parade in East Meadow NY . He requests the use of his chief's vehicle and permission for himself, Firefighter Matt Petkus and Commissioner Jay Ellsworth to attend on Saturday September (6-8), 2025
(Motion)

Director of Purchasing: Fred Acunto

- Plymovent service has been completed for 2025. Next servicing will be in 2027.
 - T293 will need 2 adapters approx. \$2500.00 to connect
- RFP for Greenfield FD LED Sign is ready and needs approval from the board.
 - Will go out tomorrow
- Continuing to get additional quotes for the electrical work needed at Greenfield FD for the LED Sign.
 - Greenfield sign this year and electric plus electric at Middle Grove
- Truck specs, photos and additional information regarding the sale of 291 has been sent to Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus for review and estimate.
- Ladder truck is scheduled for service on Monday, November 10, 2025.
- Two paks are being sent to MES for service with various issue.

Treasurer: Joyce Petkus

- New forms are in
 - Incident
 - Non incident
 - TRF

Report of the Chief – District Chief Duane Bogardus

- Will be out of town. DC King will be covering Chief duties
- 263 is being picked up tonight

Reports from Companies:

Company #1 – No

Company #2 – No

Company #3 – No

Company #4 – 292 towing will be covered under insurance and the broken mirror will be covered by KJ Stearns

Reports of the Commissioners:

- **Ellsworth –**
 - Middle Grove center bay door is scheduled to be looked by Over Head
 - Spoke with Terry Hannigan and if the truck is being purchased on Piggy Back it should be all set
 - Terry Hannigan will put together exactly what we need to start a special tax district. He will walk us through this.
 - Batteries have been changed in 273 and 282
 - **273** - Frank and Sons cannot come here for the painting estimate so we will need to bring it there to be looked at. Jeff at Premier will schedule us for an undercoating and cleaning the frame up
 - **282** - all the parts are in and when 292 comes back we will get it down.
- **Etson – No**
- **Russo – No**
- **Chouinard –No**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION #291 TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:42 TO DISCUSS EMPLOYMENT MATTERS.

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 at 7:42 to discuss employment matters.

.VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

- Chief Duane Bogardus and Deputy Chief King were invited into executive session
- Firefighter Joshua Lawton was invited into executive session

RESOLUTION #292 TO RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:56PM.

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to reconvene from executive session at 7:56pm.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #293 TO LIFT THE SUSPENSION OF FIREFIGHTER JOSHUA LAWTON. HE IS RETURNED TO ACTIVE DUTY.

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED to lift the suspension of firefighter Joshua Lawton. He is returned to active duty.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Reports of the Town Board/Planning Board Liaisons

Greenfield: Commissioner Etson

Wilton: Commissioner Chouinard

Old Business:

Deputy Chief Zak King asks for the boards permission to remove the protective sleeves from the Scott Tanks. As they make the tanks extra cumbersome. After a brief discussion it was agreed upon and approved

RESOLUTION #294 TO APPROVE THE REMOVAL OF THE PROTECTIVE SLEEVES FROM THE AIR BOTTLES

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED to approve the removal of the protective sleeves from the air bottles

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Budget Workshop

Please see the attached budget work sheet for all information

Motions

RESOLUTION #295 GIVING CHIEF EDWARD PETKUS HAS BEEN INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EAST MEADOW FIRE DEPARTMENT BATTALION PARADE IN EAST MEADOW NY . HE REQUESTS THE USE OF HIS CHIEF'S VEHICLE AND PERMISSION FOR HIMSELF, FIREFIGHTER MATT PETKUS AND COMMISSIONER JAY ELLSWORTH TO ATTEND ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER (5-7),2025

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED Giving Chief Edward Petkus has been invited to participate in the East Meadow Fire Department Battalion Parade in East Meadow NY . He requests the use of his chief's vehicle and permission for himself, Firefighter Matt Petkus and Commissioner Jay Ellsworth to attend on Friday September (5-7),2025

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #296 TO ALLOW THE SARATOGA SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY PERMISSION TO USE THE COMPANY #1 HALL ON SEPTEMBER 26,2025

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED to allow the Saratoga Springs Public Library to use the Company #1 hall on September 26,2025

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Special Topics of Discussion/Final Comments:

RESOLUTION #297 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

