

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

The **February 25,2026** Commissioners Meeting of the Greenfield Fire District was called to order at the District Office by Commissioner Chouinard at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence were recognized for departed members.

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

RESOLUTION #52 APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS, JANUARY 28,2026

MOTION: Chouinard

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED Approving the minutes of the following meetings, January 28,2026

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:

RESOLUTION #53 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #3 DATED FEBRUARY 25,2026 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #260039 THROUGH VOUCHER #260073, TOTALING \$143,555.08

A3410.1	\$	20,256.50
A3410.2	\$	101,188.58
A3541.4	\$	0
A9000.	\$	22,110.00
P/R Sub	\$	

Total: \$ 143,555.08

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED approving payment of abstract #3 dated February 25,2026 from the General Fund, Voucher #260039 through Voucher #260073, totaling \$143,555.08

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Firefighter/Auxiliary Applications and Changes in membership:

Co#4- Kendra Krueger has requested an extension of her leave for another 6 months

Auxiliary – Kali Douglas has requested to join the Auxiliary.

RESOLUTION #54 ACCEPTING THE CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP TO KENDRA KRUEGER AND THE MEMBERSHIP OF KALI DOUGLAS TO THE AUXILIARY

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED Accepting the change in membership to Kendra Krueger and the membership of Kali Douglas to the Auxiliary.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Reports of the Staff:

• District Secretary: Kim Gimbel

- Walker Chandler is requesting permission to attend The Rural Challenge- Managing the Fireground at the Greenwich Central School in Greenwich NY Washington County. The cost is \$25.00
- Deidre and I completed the FIT test training on the new machine. Seems pretty straight forward. Deidre understands it way more than me but we will work together on getting me up to speed

Director of Purchasing: Fred Acunto

- Sale of 291 - Update
The second potential buyer for 291, located in Texas, has backed out of the sale.
- Extractor Electrical Work - Update
the electrical work for the extractors has been completed at all companies. We also obtained an updated quote from All Hands Fire Equipment for the units and delivery options to each company. Plumbing still needs to be addressed, as we have not received any responses to our request for quotes aside from Middlebrooks Plumbing and HVAC. (See Document 1 – Updated Quote)
- Power Washer Company 1

- The power washer has come in, and arrangements will be made for installation.
- Porter Corners*
exterior overhead light, it has been determined that the best solution is to replace the entire fixture Porter Corners has also made a request to add speakers to the truck bay area of their station.
- F-350 Truck Purchase
The forms have been completed for the purchase replacement for 275. They have been submitted to OGS for review with an anticipated date of March 9th for the mini-bid to be distributed.
- Company 1 Ballard Replacement / New Computer
exploring options to replace the bollard at Company 1 that rotted at the base and subsequently fell over. In addition, the new computer has arrived to replace the aging unit in the radio room, which can no longer adequately support the company's needs
- Flooring - District Office
a quote from Wilton Floors to get an idea of what it would cost to replace the floor at the District Office.
- Maple Avenue – Smoke Detectors*
New York Fire & Security has submitted two quotes for the required work at Maple Ave. One quote covers replacing all smoke detectors and pull stations with new units. The second quote includes replacing the devices and swapping the smoke detectors in the bays for heat detection devices.

Treasurer: Clint McGowan

- The tax checks were received from both the Town of Greenfield and the Town of Wilton. They were deposited and the funds will be disbursed as noted in the budget.
- Former Treasurer Thurman was still on an account at Adirondack Trust. Motion needed to remove him (M)
- Received Bill from New Your State Insurance Fund for our WC insurance, will need to be paid this cycle (M)

Report of the Chief – District Chief Duane Bogardus

- The CME Program is being transferred to Tom Vumbaco. Joyce will train him as needed. *Brief discussion followed, should this be a volunteer job or should a district staff member be CME Administrator*
- 15 members received their CPR certification
- We are in the beginning stages of looking at new class A uniforms for the members
- Commissioner Etson brought up UMH/Brookview/Sterling MHP has stated that the Fire District has not responded to any emails. Both Chief Bogardus and Secretary Gimbel stated they had not been contact by anyone. The last email in the Chiefs email was from March 2024.

Reports from Companies:

Company #1 – Deputy Chief Marshall – *All Good brief discussion about the pressure washer*

Company #2 – President Clint McGowan – *the up pump in the basement is getting worse. Fred please check with Toby Middlebrook. DC Alvord is working on 32 Lady Slipper Lane / private rd / Discussion followed .*

Company #3 – Deputy Chief Petkus – All Good

Company #4 – Deputy Chief King – All Good

Reports of the Committees:

Truck Committee: DC Jerrid Marshall

- The truck committee would like to be in the loop for future contracts with the truck maintenance
- 271 Tires has a 3/2021 date
- Updates being looked at for chief's cars
- PM starts on Monday, 291 will be the extra truck
- 263 is staying in Co#1
- 271 waiting on some parts still
- 272 may have antifreeze leak, will keep an eye on it
- Co#4 on board air compressor is down, it can be hard wired in. Another air drop will be added.
- 270 gas smell in the cab, Ryans could not find leak they called Manginos and they know of a common issue and will come and pick it up
- Moving trucks has become an issue. Should we offer a stipend or higher a member as an employee.

Training DC Zak King

- 3 classes held last night
- FDIC April 21st – 25th
 - LT Noah Lake
 - LT Steven Hao
 - AC Brandon Murray
 - DC Jerrid Marshall
 - District Chief Duane Bogardus

RESOLUTION #55 GIVING PERMISSION FOR FIREFIGHTERS LAKE,HAO,B.MURRAY,MARSHALL AND BOGARDUS TO ATTEND FDIC FROM APRIL 21ST-25TH IN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANNA FOR THE FDIC FIREFIGHTER INSTRUCTOR CONFERENCE

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED giving permission for firefighters Lake,Hao,B.Murray,Marshall and Bogardus to attend FDIC from April 21st-25th in Indianapolis, Indiana for the FDIC firefighter instructor conference

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Reports of the Commissioners:

- Etson – All Set
- Russo – All Set
- Chouinard – The dryers and the extractors are all set to be ordered.
- Davis- Absent
- Ellsworth – Absent

RESOLUTION #56 ALLOWING MIDDLEBROOKS PLUMBING TO DO THE PLUMBING WORK AT CO#4 FOR THE DRYERS FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$6587.19

MOTION: Chouinard

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED allowing Middlebrooks plumbing to do the plumbing work at CO#4 for the dryers for the amount of \$6587.19

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #57 ALLOWING NY FIRE AND SECURITY TO REPLACE 17 SMOKE DETECTORS,1 PULL STATION AND THE REPLACEMENT OF 5 SMOKE DETECTORS WITH HEAT DETECTORS FOR THE PRICE OF \$3,593.00

MOTION: Chouinard

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED allowing NY Fire and Security to replace 17 smoke detectors,1 pull station and the replacement of 5 smoke detectors with heat detectors for the price of \$3,593.00

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Reports of the Town Board/Planning Board Liaisons

Greenfield: Commissioner Etson

- Supervisor Mike Gyarmathy spoke about the town having an ambulance committee started by Kayla Davis
- Community Day June 20th. Fireman will handle parade set up, town will handle things in the park

Wilton: Commissioner Chouinard

- The Suburban Propane building is being rehabbed

District Policy Review: No Changes Made

Old Business:

- The scissor lift is being fixed by member Dan Crumb.

Motions

RESOLUTION #58 GIVING THE TREASURER PERMISSION TO PAY THE NYS INSURANCE FUND WORKERS” COMPENSATION DEPOSIT PREMIUM OF NOT MORE THAN \$185.00 FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR THE DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

MOTION: Russo

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED Giving the Treasurer permission to pay the NYS Insurance Fund Workers” Compensation deposit premium of not more than \$185.00 for workers compensation coverage for the district employees

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #59 GIVING THE TREASURER PERMISSION TO REMOVE CHRIS THURMAN FROM THE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT6 HELD AT THE ADIRONDACK TRUST COMPANY

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED: Giving the Treasurer permission to remove Chris Thurman from the money market account6 held at the Adirondack Trust Company

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #60 ALLOWING FIREFIGHTER WALKER CHANDLER TO ATTEND THE RURAL CHALLENGE- MANAGING THE FIREGROUND AT THE GREENWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL IN GREENWICH NY WASHINGTON COUNTY. THE COST IS \$25.00

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED: allowing Firefighter Walker Chandler to attend The Rural Challenge- Managing the Fireground at the Greenwich Central School in Greenwich NY Washington County. The cost is \$25.00

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #61 ALLOWING DISTRICT CHIEF DUANE BOGARDUS TO DRIVE HIS CHIEFS CAR OUT OF DISTRICT/COUNTY TO LOOK AT AND COMPARE NEW CLASS A UNIFORMS

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED: allowing District Chief Duane Bogardus to drive his chiefs Car out of District/County to look at and compare new class A uniforms

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Special Topics of Discussion/Final Comments:

RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Etson with a second from Commissioner Chouinard to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kimberly A. Gimbel
District Secretary