

Board of Fire Commissioners

Greenfield Fire District
Greenfield Center, NY 12833

The August 12, 2026 Commissioners Meeting of the Greenfield Fire District was called to order at the District Office by Commissioner Davis at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence were recognized for departed members.

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

Chairman asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:

RESOLUTION # 156 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #14 DATED August 12, 2026 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #261312 THROUGH VOUCHER #261347, TOTALING \$160,914.57

A3410.1	\$8,379.69
A3410.2	\$.00
A3541.4	\$21,849.41
A9000	\$685.44
9025.81	\$130,000.00
Total:	\$160,914.57

MOTION: Russo

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED approving payment of abstract #14 dated August 12, 2026 from the general fund, voucher #261312 through voucher #261347, totaling \$160,914.57

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Commissioner Davis questioned the limit on the district credit cards. At this time, we only have 2. The purchasing credit card has a \$10,000.00 limit and the maintenance credit card has a \$1000.00 limit

RESOLUTION #157: GIVING PERMISSION TO THE TREASURER TO RAISE THE CREDIT LIMIT ON THE MAINTENANCE CREDIT CARD TO \$2,500.00

MOTION: Davis

SECOND: Etson

RESOLVED : Giving permission to the Treasurer to raise the credit limit on the Maintenance Credit Card to \$2,500.00

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Firefighter/Auxiliary Applications and Changes in membership:

Co#4 Kendra Krueger– Resigning

Reports of the Staff:

District Secretary: Kim Gimbel

- Working on the banquet
- RFP was placed for the uniforms and we are receiving Sealed Bids
- Worked with Tom Vumbaco on the reimbursement from NYS for EMT training
- The shipping container was given the go ahead for training.

Director of Purchasing: Fred Acunto

- **Porter Corners:**
 - A potential grant opportunity for building improvements and upgrades is being explored, we are evaluating options to upgrade the Porter Corners heating system to a more efficient solution. Middlebrook Plumbing & HVAC will be providing a quote for the proposed heating system upgrade.
- **Ladder Truck Annual Aerial Test:**
 - Command Testing has been scheduled to perform the annual aerial test on September 17.
- **Replacement F-350 for 275:**
 - I have reached out to Greenwich for an update on 275 and we can anticipate the vehicle being delivered within the first two weeks of September.
- **Middle Grove LED Sign:**
 - Jeff from PacSigns is contacting the manufacturer to obtain an updated delivery schedule for the Middle Grove LED sign.

Treasurer: Karen Foster

- Working on the Budget process with Joyce
- Balanced books through July

Report of the Chief – Chief Bogardus - Not Present

Reports from Companies:

Company #1 – Deputy Chief Jerrid Marshall

- New boots needed for Plimovent
- Dryer in place
- Soap dispensers being installed

Company #2 – D/C Christian Alvord

- Thanks for fixing the bay door
 - *Discussion followed on why these things keep happening and we need to better use our in house maintenance man before just calling a vendor.*
- Argo and 4 wheeler are at Cams Motorsports to be maintained
- Washer and extractor installation
 - *Discussion about installation*
- Brush truck at Ryans
 - The wrong diagnosis but we were still charged

Deputy Chief Alvord asked the board for more clarification on the GPS and cameras being installed on the Chiefs vehicles

Commissioner Davis stated that the system will not be policed. If there is a complaint, we will then look into it

Commissioner Etson stated that the policy being written is very tight.

- *The cameras are front facing*
- *They are key activated*

Assistant Chief Nate King should add the Chiefs vehicles to be numbered on the back and side fenders

Company #3 – D/C Ed Petkus

- Out of town Aug 20th-26th

Company #4 – D/C Zak King

- A/C out in 295

Discussion on sending it to an RV place for AC unit and heating looked at

Reports of the Committees:

Truck Committee: DC Jerrid Marshall

- 276 underway
- Rob will price out lights on trailer
- 282 Premier
- All trucks will be lettered/numbered in one day maybe at Greenfield
- AC King looking into new bar light for 263

Discussion concerning the proprietary rights of PlimoVent. There is no other choice once you buy their system

Discussion about who will have access to the cameras in the apparatus. It was decided that Commissioner Davis would initially be the admin on his laptop that is kept in his office. The username and password will be available to all the commissioners as well as the district secretary. The ultimate goal is to have the District Chief be the admin

Training: Zak King:

- September will have a live burn training

Explorers: Dan Crumb

- All Set – 9 members

Reports of the Commissioners:

- Etson
 - Supervisor Mike Gyarmathy was present and spoke with the board the rise in cost of the equipment and operations in the fire departs. The need for a rise in the 2% tax cap and the need to inform the public with the help of the Towns newsletter.
 - Truck Policy will be discussed next meeting
- Chouinard
 - 295 needs a new refrigerator
- Davis
 - Pre Budget meeting should be set for August 26 at 6:00 PM as a special meeting. D/S Gimbel will post the notice
 - Building maintenance is to be sent through Fred or Bryan so they can decide if it can be fixed in house before we call a vendor.
 - 281 – New Middle Grove Truck
- Commissioner Davis discussed the truck buying process and the need for best value vs wants. He will review the specs and the policy. The truck will be talked about at a later date after everyone has a chance to review.
- Russo – All Set
- Ellsworth – Not Present

Reports of the Town Board/Planning Board Liaisons

Greenfield: Commissioner Etson - Supervisor Gyarmathy

- There is a lot of development happening in the town. New homes mean more families. The town is looking at its infrastructures.

Wilton: Commissioner Chouinard-

- Stewarts moving along, training might happen

Jessups Landing TOG Ambulance – Not Present

District Policy Review: No Changes Made

- #43 Funeral Policy
- #31 Honorary Deputy Chief Policy

New Business

Old Business:

Motions

RESOLUTION #158 ACCEPTING THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 22, 2026 AND AUGUST 6,2026 BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS

MOTION: Davis

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED Accepting the minutes from the July 22, 2026 and August 6,2026 Board of Fire Commissioners Meetings

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #159 ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF KENDRA KRUEGER FROM MAPLE AVE CO#4

MOTION: Etson

SECOND: Ellsworth

RESOLVED : Accepting the resignation of Kendra Krueger from Maple Ave Co#4

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

RESOLUTION #160 THE BOARD WILL COVER THE COST AND SHIPPING OF A NEW REFRIGERATOR FOR M295 "THE BUS"

MOTION: Chouinard

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED : The board will cover the cost and shipping of a new refrigerator for M295 "The Bus"

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried

Special Topics of Discussion/Final Comments:

RESOLUTION#161 TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: Russo

SECOND: Chouinard

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Russo with a second from Commissioner Etson to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Gimbel".

Kimberly A. Gimbel
District Secretary