

MONTHLY MEETING: July 8, 2025

Present:

- Comm. Charles Moseman
- Comm. David Klaus
- Comm. Martin McGannon
- Comm. Jason Swart
- Comm. Joseph Schneider
- Secy/Treas. Jeanmarie Klaus
- Atty. Tara Tully
- Chief Paul Liberatore
- Asst. Chief Matthew Lauria

Absent:

- Asst. Chief Tim Mentrasti

Meeting opened Chairman Moseman at 7:30 p.m.

VOUCHERS:

Motion: Comm. Schneider to audit the attached submitted vouchers and authorize payment of those approved
 Second: Comm. Swart
 All voting aye

MINUTES:

Motion: Comm. Swart to accept the June monthly meeting minutes as amended
 Second: Comm. Schneider
 All voting aye

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bank Balances as of 6/30/2025 - Reconciled

Operating Fund:

Bank Balance	\$1,353,680.52
Outstanding Checks/Deposits	(90,613.93)
Operating Fund Balance	\$1,263,066.59

CD Balance	\$3,300,663.02
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Reserve Funds:

Apparatus	\$1,613,843.72
Communications	286,178.89
Repair	328,323.14
Station #3 Construction	95,841.04
Ladder	904,173.86
Bank Balance	\$3,228,360.65
Outstanding	0.00
Total Reserve Funds Balance	\$3,228,360.65

Register Balance as of 07/08/2025 - unreconciled

Operating Fund Balance	\$1,145,272.09
CD Balance	3,311,972.99
Apparatus Fund Balance	1,613,843.72
Communications Fund Balance	286,178.89
Repair Fund Balance	328,323.14
Station #3 Construction Fund Balance	95,841.04

Ladder Fund Balance

904,173.86

DIVE TEAM:

1. See attached
2. Will be doing in house training for the time being.
3. Looking at double decker boat trailer

INSURANCE:

E274 in minor accident. All information sent to the insurance company

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

1. Michael Loguercio & Joseph Nocerino from Munistat appeared before the Board to discuss the procedure after bond vote passes.
 - Discussed short term BAN to begin with, then go to 29 year bond versus 30 year bond.
 - If project will be going quickly, then 30 year would be best. Have to discuss cash flow with Architect
 - Mail date – official statement to investment community / Rating has to be done by Moodys or S&P / about 2-3 weeks after mailing will have bids – will email & call with results / about 2-3 weeks after that will be sent paperwork to sign – will be sent to Depository Trust / about 8 weeks total.
 - If May 2026 Bond issued – debt payment not until May 2027.
 - Cannot prepay for between 6-8 years. If interest rates drop after that, then bond can be refinanced.
2. Overview from Bond Counsel – Bill Jackson - over phone. Discussed rules & regulations of obtaining a bond.
 - First is SEQR process – bond counsel reviews
 - Bond resolution – object of purpose / maximum cost / scope of the work / terms not to exceed / issue BAN for construction start / mandatory resolution – vote by taxpayers / if adopted publish legal notice for approximately 30 days / not required to hold public hearing / publish estoppel notice after vote passes / SEQR & bond resolution can be done at same meeting.
 - Mark Blanchard – SEQR should be done by District’s monthly August 12th meeting. A public hearing can be held that night, then resolution for negative declaration can be declared. Legal notice can be sent in advance to be published on August 13th. 30 days later vote can be held.
 - Discussed how cost analysis was done. Project came in at around \$24,000,000, an additional \$6,000,000 was added for contingency. Estimator used projected 2026 costs.
 - There are milestones of when percentage of bond money must be spent
 - Discussed having special meeting & public informational meeting on same night.
Motion: Comm. Klaus to hold a special meeting & public informational meeting at Station #1 on July 22 at 6:30 pm
Second: Comm. McGannon
All voting aye
3. Comm. Klaus & Comm. McGannon appeared before the Town Board. There were very few questions. The Board seemed to be in favor of the project.
4. Discussed borings & testing

CHIEFS REPORT:

1. Alarms for the month were reported
2. See attached Chiefs’ Report
 - Motion: Comm. McGannon to reimburse Firefighter Zampano, mileage, hotel & meals upon proof of completion of the rope class in Oriskany
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
 - Firefighter Quast took EVOC class in Maine – Chief waiting to hear from NY if they accept it.

APPARATUS:

1. Minor repairs
2. With the purchase of the new Chief’s car, the Police Department asked if the District was getting rid of an old one. Comm. McGannon will look into the surplus value.
3. Firefighter Slotoroff has sent all the information in for the \$100,000 reimbursement Grant
4. Comm. McGannon would like to order a 2026 Chief’s vehicle. There was a discussion on necessary expenditures such as replacing U143 & dive trailer. The Chiefs will explore another grant.
5. See attached

- There was a discussion on a list the Chiefs had of estimated equipment needed for a new Engine which will total about \$55,000 – based on E274. Need list for the Tanker
 - There was a discussion about Knox Box program & how to get into – to use keys or code. It was decided to use keys.
 - Firefighters Equipment of NY - flat fee to come up \$250 to come out & price list for type of repairs. Also \$19.99 to inspect gear
- Motion: Comm. McGannon to have a person come in to inspect gear, per Chief's recommendation, and repairs as needed
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye

JUNIOR CORPS:
16 members

UNIFORMS:
Motion: Comm. Swart to purchase coats for Commissioners & Chiefs at a cost not to exceed \$2,000
Second: Comm. Schneider
All voting aye

PENDING

PURCHASES:
At the February 11th meeting, 12 sets of gear were approved for \$49,597.20. The Invoice, dated 6/11/25, totaled \$50,322.09. A motion is needed to approve the overage
Motion: Comm. McGannon to approve the additional \$724.89 be paid
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye

LEASE:
A letter was sent to Engine Company exercising 5 year renewal on the lease.

OLD BUSINESS:
Comm. Schneider reported that the quote for Training Facility is more than the \$125,000 grant. Documentation will be needed to show where the extra money is coming from. There was a discussion on getting an extension for submitting info for the grant until the plan costs could be worked on. There was a discussion on available money.
Motion: Comm. McGannon to reserve the balance of the Station #3 Reserve Fund account for the construction of the Training Facility at Station #3.
Second: Comm. Schneider
All voting aye

APPROVAL

ADJOURNMENT
Motion: Comm. McGannon to adjourn at 11:02 PM
Second: Comm. Klaus
All voting aye

July 2025 Fire District Meeting – Chiefs Report

Training:

YHFD to hosted basic and medium structural collapse. AT HQ, Classroom only.
County hosting a 10-75 class, mutual aid drill at county.
YHFD hosting tanker/water supply operations class at HQ. YHFD MPOs able to attend
Part of the weekly drill series.

FF Zumpano to take rope class in Oriskany, on waiting list, 3 ½ hrs away
Car? Hotel fees?
Same fees ballpark as in the past for water rescue training **reimburse for mileage meals lodging upon completion**

Purchases-----

Equipment list from AAA and MES for equipment for new engine:

List is 27,000 – **get lead times for equipment**
4400 or 5500 for fan, depends on model,
Milwaukee tools, tool box, knox box? Lighting? Thermal imaging camera 4k
Qrae 4 gas meters 1200, poly bins,

Need to order now not pay till October:

VSK – 4,700 approx , waiting on updated quote

Edraulic RAM – 6,400 approx, waiting on update quote, need to order 3, not to exceed 20,000
Turnout Gear repair / inspection discussion, **ok**

Topics of Discussion

Alex Andonian ready to be tested on rescue **ok**

Nick Quast completed Maine 16hr EVOC course, board willing to accept and have him start on MA-8 **find curriculum from maine and compare**

274 got into accident on Taconic going to a call- Paper work submitted to chairman of board and secretary **ok**

L51 has a bend in the passenger side read bumper area, investigation ongoing

ok

Knox Box access effects new chief's cars and new apparatus **Realtor box**

New:

Repair/ Replacement:

Monday, 2532 will be going to rfc for radio removal and place into new chiefs car, 2nd car on Wednesday, cars complete on Friday.. **ok**

Dive:

July 14th- Bedford hills dive drill

July 29th – Goldens Bridge Water rescue drill 1845 meet up, drill at 1900

DRI Class to include - zump, campo, kaisian, wiley, andonin -**Tabled**

Apparatus:

Car 2531- 28,110 Miles 2019 Tahoe

Car 2532- 98,020 Miles 2016 Tahoe

Car 2533 – 76,232 Miles 2015 Suburban

U-83 – 83,123 Miles 2013 Tahoe

U-36- 105,523 Miles- 2011 Suburban

PENDING

June 2025:

Automatic Alarms = 29

HAZ – MAT = 8

Motor Vehicle Accidents = 11

CO Alarms = 5

Rubbish Fires = 3

EMS/PD Assists =3

Utility Assists = 1

Smoke Investigation = 1

Car Fire = 1

Mutual Aid –

APPROVAL

FAST = 3

Scene = 3

Dive = 1

Total Calls for June 2025 = 69

Total Calls for 2025 = 368