

# Goshen Fire District

## Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2024

### I. Call to order:

Co-Chairman Pearson called to order the regular meeting of the Goshen Fire District at 7:00 PM on December 19, 2024 in Goshen, NY. Unless otherwise stated, all of the resolutions/motions were approved by unanimous vote of the commissioners present and such persons were present during each vote unless otherwise indicated.

### II. Attendees:

The following people were present: Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Shovlin, Commissioner Donnelly, Secretary Roberts, Treasurer McPhee, Chief Easop, Assistant Chief Graham, Assistant Chief Gambuti, Commissioner Elect Brian Gallo

Absent: Chairman Turi

### III. Approval of minutes from last meeting:

A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to approve the minutes of the monthly meeting held on November 21, 2024. All Commissioners present in favor. One Commissioner absent. Motion passed.

### IV. Correspondence:

- Received paperwork for Minisink Hook & Ladder Company for new member:  
David Collado – 16/17 Yr. Old  
Christopher Birdsall III – 16/17 Yr. Old out of District – Will need resolution
- HVAC Bid reference checks came back.
- The Goshen Garden Club donated 2 wreaths for the firehouse doors. A thank you letter has been sent.
- Driver training for Michael Ossentjuk and Bryce Huepler
- Will be submitting the AFG Grant this evening.
- Received Information for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Fire & EMA Law & Management Conference on March 17-29 at the Turning Stone Resort & Casino. Please let me know if anyone is interested.

### V. Treasurer Report :

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to approve checks for December with abstract 191 in the amount of \$13,489.41 and the abstract 202 the amount of \$21,816.19 for a total of \$35,305.60. All Commissioners present in favor. One Commissioner Absent. Motion passed.

Posted a years worth of interest for CDs in the amount of \$17,074.10

### VI. Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Pearson:

- 10 Truck checks completed.
- 932 – Throttle has been fixed.
- 933 – Headlight has been replaced.
- 934 – Gas pedal has been replaced.
- 935 – Wipers and light tower has been fixed.

- 939 – Had a bad battery, it's been replaced.

Commissioner Shovlin:

- Insurance – none
- Equipment – ordering Leatherman for FFI graduates.

Commissioner Donnelly:

**Station 1:**

- Boilers down on 12/13 and have been repaired.
- Bay doors kept tripping the breakers. Separated them and are working
- Heat in Compressor room is broken. Bought space heaters so pipes will not freeze.

**Station 2:**

- Hot water heater has a small leak. Might need to replace in the new year.

**Station 3:**

- Bay heaters were down and have been fixed.
- Electrician is working on walkway lights. Radio room and officers room lights have been replaced with LED.
- Working on Door sensors in the bay. Are old and worn out.
- Honeywell thermostats are not working properly will be fixed in the new year.

Commissioner Turi: Absent

**VII. Chief's Reports**

Chief Easop: Absent

Assistant Chief Graham:

- Met with county with regards to RedMNX and I am responding issue. There are currently 21 fire departments using RedMNX.so need to get the issues fixed. Will keep everyone updated.
- Working on getting our calls into NIFRS. Darlene was the one that did this and had to ask for rights. As soon as they are granted will get this done.
- If a firefighter has already submitted the information for tax exemption to the town/village, they are all set. They do not have to submit it each year.
- Permission for Jurgen Breitfeld to assist with minor repairs to apparatus while Danny is laid up.
- Everyone that took FFI has passed.
- Would like to send Tim Hughes to Westchester to Fire Police Academy.
- Paratech will be giving us an award for using their equipment during a resuce.
- Mid-Hudson Pysch Center will begin construction and have asked for our input.
- Rope equipment is starting to come in.
- Request permission for 937 to go to Chester on January 4, 2025 for the FFI graduation.

Assistant Chief Gambuti:

- Calls for November 48, total at end of November 491. Calls as of 12/19 are 526.
- Hoods have shipped and should receive them shortly.
- Station 3 has asked if they can use 933 to pick up supplies for the eggnog event.
- Need to find another source for diesel fuel besides the town.
- Need executive session for personnel.
- Members are saying they are having trouble getting in to have their physicals done. Secretary Roberts will contact them to find out what is going on.

### **VIII. Old Business:**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to Accept The Walters Companys as the new HVAC vendor with Preventative Maintenance \$8,725.00 and emergency work at \$145.00/hour. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin and Donnelly voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed

### **IX. New Business:**

- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly a resolution was made to accept David Collardo as 16/17 year old member of the Minisink Hook & Ladder Company(Attachment A). A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin and Donnelly voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly a resolution was made to accept Christopher Birdsall II as 16/17 year old and out of district member of the Minisink Hook & Ladder Company(Attachment B). A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin and Donnelly voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly a resolution was made to allow Timothy Hughes to attend the Fire Police Academy which will be held in January and February in Westchester County and to use 933 as transportation (Attachment C). A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin and Donnelly voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to allow Michael Ossentjuk and Bryce Heupler to begin driver training. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin and Donnelly voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly a resolution was made to join NYS Class (Attachment D). A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin and Donnelly voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- A reminder was made to submit all passwords to Secretary Roberts for any program that is on your computer or that you are an administrator for.
- Commissioner Donnelly submitted a revised Policy for dogs being allowed on the fire district property. Mr. John Bach has reviewed the revision and will be creating a waiver that will need to be signed by any member wishing to bring their dog on the property. We will await the waiver from Mr. Bach before voting.
- Reminder that the reorganizational meeting will be January 9, 2025 at 5:30.

### **X. Public Participation:** None

### **XI. Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Donnelly and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to adjourn to executive session at 7:40 PM. As there is nothing to vote on we will adjourn directly from executive session. A motion was made by Commissioner Donnelly and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to adjourn from executive session at 8:15 PM.All Commissioners present in favor. One Commissioner absent. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathleen A. Roberts  
Secretary

GOSHEN FIRE DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 16-17 YEAR OLD

DATE: December 19, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED that David Collado is HEREBY ACCEPTED as a 16 or 17 year old member of the Goshen Fire Department/District, pursuant to compliance with all the rules and regulations relating to 16 and 17 year olds.

Motion by: Commissioner Shovlin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Donnelly

Vote: Commissioner :	Yes	No	abstain/absent
Turi	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>  X  </u>
Donnelly	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Shovlin	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Pearson	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>

GOSHEN FIRE DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 16-17 YEAR OLD

DATE: December 19, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED that Christopher Birdsall III is HEREBY ACCEPTED as a 16 or 17 year old member of the Goshen Fire Department/District, pursuant to compliance with all the rules and regulations relating to 16 and 17 year olds.

He/She is also ACCEPTED as a member of the Goshen Fire Department/District although he/she lives in the adjoining fire district of Campbell Hall .

Motion by: Shovlin 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Commissioner Donnelly

Vote: Commissioner :	Yes	No	abstain
Turi	_____	_____	___X___
Donnelly	___X___	_____	_____
Pearson	___X___	_____	_____
Shovlin	___X___	_____	_____

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE VOLUNTEER TO ATTEND TRAINING SCHOOL AND INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES OUT OF COUNTY**

**DATE OF RESOLUTION** \_ December 19, 2024

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law §72-g authorizes volunteer members of the department to attend training schools or courses of instruction for firefighters provided the fire chief authorizes such training, and such authorization is subject to the rules or regulations made by the Board of Fire Commissioners, and

WHEREAS, when the training school or the offered course is located outside the county or outside one of the counties in which the fire district is located, the authorization to attend the school or conference must receive prior approval of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

WHEREAS, before this Board of Fire Commissioners is a request by, Timothy Hughes with the Goshen Fire Department to attend out-of-county training at Westchester County DES Training Center for Fire Police training January 9, 14, 15, 15, 22 and 25 and to use 933 for transportation.

NOW THEREFORE, the request before the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Goshen Fire District by the above listed name(s) of volunteer(s) with the Goshen Fire Department to attend the above listed out-of-county training at the above location is granted subject to the rules and regulations established by this Board of Fire Commissioners.

Motion of Commissioner Shovlin \_ 2<sup>nd</sup> of Commissioner Donnelly

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Turi	_____	_____	___X___
Commissioner Pearson	___X___	_____	_____
Commissioner Shovlin	___X___	_____	_____
Commissioner Donnelly	___X___	_____	_____



## Municipal Cooperation Resolution

WHEREAS, New York General Municipal Law, Article 5-G, Section 119-o (Section 119-o) empowers municipal corporations [defined in Article 5-G, Section 119-n to include school districts, boards of cooperative educational services, counties, cities, towns and villages, and districts] to enter into, amend, cancel, and terminate agreements for the performance among themselves (or one for the other) of their respective functions, powers, and duties on a cooperative or contract basis;

WHEREAS the Goshen Fire District wishes to invest portions of its available investment funds in cooperation with other corporations and/or districts pursuant to the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amended and Restated as of August 1, 2023;

WHEREAS the Goshen Fire District wishes to satisfy the safety and liquidity needs of their funds;

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved as follows:

That Tanya McPhee, Treasurer of the Goshen Fire District is hereby authorized to participate in the NYCLASS program under the terms of the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amended and Restated as of August 1, 2023.

Contact Signature

Tanya McPhee

Printed Name

Treasurer

Title

December 19, 2024

Date