

# Goshen Fire District

## Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2023

### I. Call to order:

Chairman Turi called to order the regular meeting of the Goshen Fire District at 7:00 PM on January 19, 2023 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: Chairman Turi, Commissioner Donnelly, Commissioner Shovlin, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Mendres, Secretary Roberts, Assistant Chief Graham, Past Chief Budd

Absent: Treasurer Keeley, Chief Wade, Assistant Chief Easop

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Mendres to approve the minutes of the monthly meeting held on November 17, 2022, December meeting was cancelled due to weather, Reorganizational meeting held on January 6, 2023. All Commissioners present in favor. Motion passed.

### IV. Correspondence:

- Received paperwork from the Cataract Engine & Hose Company for new member – Anthony Papagni. All paperwork is in order.
- Received a donation of two beautiful wreaths from the Goshen Garden Club. A letter of thanks has been sent.
- Received a donation from the Buhler family. A letter of thanks has been sent.
- Received our renewal notice for the Cancer Insurance. All renewals will be on line this year.
- Received renewal notices from Peak Power for our four generators as follows:
  - Station 1 - \$631.00
  - Station 2 - \$476.25
  - Station 3 - \$476.25
  - Brindle Court - \$414.00
  - Total - \$1,997.50
- Received the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Association of Fire Districts of NY – It will be held from May 18-20, 2023 at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona.

### V. Treasurer Report : Given by Secretary Roberts

A motion was made by Commissioner Mendres and seconded by Commissioner Pearson to approve the following abstracts:

Abstracts 20 and 21 consisting of vouchers 754 to 792 for a total amount of \$55,420.82

Abstracts 22 and 23 consisting of vouchers 793 to 822 for a total amount of \$43,168.91.

All Commissioners present in favor. Motion passed.

Cash Receipts: None

## **VI. Commissioners Reports:**

### Commissioner Pearson:

- 10 Truck Checks done, no major issues, refilled necessary fluids.
- 931 – Added DEF and washer fluid. Will need front tires.
- 932 – Added DEF, Performed diagnostic regen, NYSI, pump was serviced
- 933 – No issues.
- 934 – Added DEF. NYSI, pump serviced, front suction replaced
- 935 – Replaced marker light.
- 936 – NYSI, adjusted tire pressure
- 937 – Replaced washer hose to wiper, replaced air governor, reroute line, Air leak fixed  
Will be going up to have pump and boom service and 5 year ladder test
- 938 – No issues.
- 939 – Rear tire low - adjusted.
- 941 – Replaced headlamp bulb.
- Car 3 – Batteries are not holding charge due to damage. Found constant draw from chassis power solenoid. Battery replaced. Contacted Radio/Light company to replace.

### Commissioner Shovlin: No Report

### Commissioner Mendres:

- Met with Greg Townsend and went over insurance. Increased coverage on engines.

### Commissioner Donnelly:

- Mountain Restaurant Repair came and looked at stove in District Kitchen. To old to get parts – will need to replace.
- Ice machine in bar area at Station 3 needs to be replaced.
- Stoves and hoods at Station 2 have been serviced. The stove on the left was never hooked up to the fan and have no idea where the exhaust goes. Stove on the right the ignitors do not work but can light the stove using a lighter.
- Boiler King came and looked at A/C in meeting room at Station 1 – to old to repair will need to be replaced. A/C in officer room at Station 2 is leaking freon will need to be replaced. Need to replace O rings and antifreeze at Station 1. Replaced zone valve at Station 1.
- Need to replace boiler room doors at Station1 – rusted completely through.
- Need to replace attic stairs at Station 1
- Replace cover to baseboard in radio room at Station1
- Will be contacting Standpipe company – leak in meeting room and gold room at Station 1.
- Contacted Burke electric for power box outside Station 1 – waiting on O&R for Appointment to cut power.
- Boiler King needs to come back to find out why the heat is banging.
- A Plus will be here on Friday 1/20 to snake the upstairs bar area and downstairs kitchen drain at Station 3
- Ceiling tiles at Station 2 will be replaced next week.
- Handrail at Station 1 has been repaired.
- Spoke with peak power with regards to starter on generator at Station 3
- Found another vendor to give a quote on pad and front panels at Station 3.
- Will be looking at replacing concrete with blacktop in front of Station 3.

### Commissioner Turi:

- LOSAP points will be posted shortly for members to review.

## **VII. Chief's Reports**

Chief Wade: Absent

Assistant Chief Easop: Absent

Assistant Chief Graham:

- Fire Calls November 2022 Fire-38, Rescue-6, Total-44, YTD-475
- Fire Calls December 2022 Fire-40, Rescue-3, Total 43, YTD-518

## **VIII. Old Business:**

- Received notice of claim with regards to the Cornwall Fire. Secretary Roberts has been instructed to send to the lawyer and insurance company.

## **IX. New Business:**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Mendres and seconded by Commissioner Pearson to authorize UBS to reallocate money from Blackrock Equity to Vanguard Dividend Growth, Invest in a new CDs. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Turi, Shovlin, Mendres, Pearson, Donnelly voted Yes. Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Mendres to accept Anthony Papagni as a new member of the Cataract Engine & Hose Company. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Turi, Shovlin, Mendres, Pearson, Donnelly voted Yes. Motion passed
- A motion was made by Commissioner Donnelly and seconded by Commissioner Pearson to accept all current policies and procedures. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Turi, Shovlin, Mendres, Pearson, Donnelly voted Yes. Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Donnelly and seconded by Commissioner Mendres to accept renewal with Peak Power for all four generators. Total renewal is \$1,997.50. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Turi, Shovlin, Mendres, Pearson, Donnelly voted Yes. Motion passed
- A motion was made by Commissioner Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Mendres to purchase a new stove for the district kitchen located at Station 3 from Mountain Restaurant Supply in the amount of \$3,197.00. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Turi, Shovlin, Mendres, Pearson, Donnelly voted Yes. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Pearson presented a proposal for changes to LOSAP. Secretary Roberts will send to PENFLEX for them to work up numbers for us.
- There is a new Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment/Retention Task Force Report from the State. Please review so it can be discussed at the February Meeting.
- Assistant Chief Graham presented the resolution to use the Mechanicstown Training Center. Upon reading the resolution Commissioner Turi instructed him to have them resubmit a resolution that removes us paying for the use of the facility.
- There is a new stateside exemption from property tax for Volunteer Firefighters. Secretary Roberts will contact Brad Pinsky for assistance in how to proceed with this new exemption.

## **X. Public Participation:**

- Past Chief Budd advised the board that the Tanker Club Event will be held on February 4, 2023.

## **XI. Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Mendres and seconded by Commissioner Pearson to adjourn at 8:00 PM. All Commissioners present in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen A. Roberts  
Secretary