

Goshen Fire District

Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2025

I. Call to order:

Chairman Pearson called to order the regular meeting of the Goshen Fire District at 7:00 PM on February 20, 2025 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, Commissioner Gallo, Secretary Roberts, Treasurer McPhee, Chief Easop, Assistant Chief Gambuti, Past Chief Budd

Absent: Chairman Turi, Assistant Chief Graham

III. Approval of minutes from last , Secretary Roberts meeting:

A motion was made by Commissioner Gallo and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to approve the minutes of the monthly meeting held on January 16, 2025. All Commissioners present in favor. One Commissioner absent. Motion passed.

IV. Correspondence:

- Received paperwork from Cataract Engine & Hose Company for new member William Morrison. All paperwork in order.
- Received paperwork from Minisink Hook & Ladder for new member Kieran Doody. All paperwork in order. Will need 16/17 year old resolution.
- Received paperwork from Dikeman Engine & Hose Company for new member Kobe Bartlett. All paperwork in order.
- The Association of Fire District of Orange County will meet on Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 7:30PM at the Middle Hope FD. Station 1
- Mr. Karl Wilkinson donated his time and materials to fix the gutters at Station 2. A thank you letter has been sent.
- Kaylee Morales has resigned from the LOSAP input position.
- Received a request from the Town of Wallkill Police Department to utilize the bay at Station 1 for CPR/AED and forcible entry training from February 10 to 14, 2025. A verbal approval was done by the board of commissioners.
- Received by-law changes for the Cataract Engine & Hose Company with regards to stipends given to the apparatus and room stewards.
- Commissioner Gallo has been registered for Commissioner training in April.
- Received a letter from Assistant Chief Graham with regards to dog policy. Will read under old Business.
- Received a FOIL request from McCoy/Leavitt/Laskey LLC with regards to a fire in Cuddebackville on January 21, 2025. Responded that we did not attend this fire.

V. Treasurer Report :

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to approve checks for February abstract 3 the amount of \$17,535.04 (Utilities/CC), abstract 4 in the amount of \$135,625.12 (Feb. Bills) and abstract #5 in the amount of \$15,920.59 (Building Capital) for a total of \$169,080.75. All Commissioners present in favor. One Commissioner

absent. Motion passed.

Received tax check in the amount of \$1,951,081.51. Will deposit in Orange Bank and Trust and then do a small transfer to NYClass to make sure everything is in order and then transfer the remaining amount.

Need a resolution to approve the budget modification to balance the 2024 budget.

VI. Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Pearson:

- 9 Truck checks completed.
- 931 – Added DEF, topped off fluids.
- 932 – Add DEF top Off Fluids, Diagnostic Regen, Repair Fuel Pedal Wire Old Pedal Potentiometer to New Pedal. Check For Codes None Present Test Drive. Will Send Replacement Pedal Beck for Credit.
- 933 - Topped off fluids
- 934 – Diagnostic Regen, Added DEF, Topped off fluids, Adjusted tire pressure, Will order new tires.
- 935 – Diagnose Air Leak Found Tank to Pump Solenoid Valve Damaged Internally Removed Lines and Plugged to Put unit BIS As Dump and Fill Unit. Pump O/S Brake Warning Light and Alarm on In Cab. Diagnose And Found Brake System to Function as It Should Remove Dash and Components Repair Various Wire Circuits Due to Age and Position. Troubleshoot Remaining Wiring Circuits in Dash and Repair as Needed. Follow wiring to ECM and Test Unit. ECM Test Okay Continue on Wiring Harness and Repair as Needed Under Chassis and Repair Air Leaks as Found. Housing Of Air Control from Body to Chassis Damaged. Open Housing and Found Damaged Suttle Valves. Replace 2 Valves and Repair Housing. Located Air Brake Controller Solenoid. Test Unit Found Open Circuit. Ordered New Unit Replaced Dash Light and Warning Off in Cab. Notified Of Air Leak in Engine Compartment Found Broken Air Fitting on Foot Brake Valve on Firewall, Replace Fitting
- 936 – Added DEF, Topped off fluids, adjusted tire pressure.
- 937 – Add DEF, Replace Batteries, Found DEF Gauge Not Working in Dash Will Need to Get Replacement Gauge, Test Alternator Found Low Output Clean Connections Output Increased Recommend Alternator Replacement
- 938 – No issues
- 939 – Adjusted tire pressure. Recommend replacing tires as they are approaching end of life.
- 941 – No issues
- LOSAP – points come down next week. Chief's remind anyone that has an issue to get it taken care of before they come down.

Commissioner Shovlin: None

Commissioner Donnelly: Report read by Commissioner Pearson

Station 1:

- Replaced ceiling tiles in bathroom
- Ran LED Lights in attic.
- Working on pipe for tanker.
- New parking signs out front.
- There is still a faint smell of gas. Have vented the room.

Station 2:

- Gutters have been replaced.

- Door handle has been repaired.
- Need new hose
- **Station 3:**
- Replaced expansion tank
- Mountain restaurant came and looked at the cooler
- Replaced ceiling tiles by bar
- New lights in Commissioner office, Sect/Treasurer office and downstairs bathroom
- Hot water heater ordered parts for ignitor.

Commissioner Gallo:

- Received needed paperwork for FF with cancer and have sent it to him to start filling out.
- Will notify the insurance company with regards to the warning lights on 937 that had damage from fire in Florida.

Commissioner Turi: Absent

VII. Chief's Reports

Chief Easop:

- 49 Calls for January.
- Fire Police will be assisting with the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 16.

Assistant Chief Graham: Absent

Assistant Chief Gambuti:

- SADD Demo is June 5
- Hose/Ladder Testing is scheduled for June 6
- Getting a quote for cleaning gear. Will start with active FF.

VIII. Old Business:

- Pet policy. Assistant Chief Graham had a concerned about putting dogs in the chief's vehicles as he has had to do that at an accident. A discussion followed and will readdress at our next meeting.
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo a resolution was made to do a permissive referendum to use up to \$225,000.00 from the Building Capital Fund for work on all three firehouses.(Attachment A) A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion Passed.

IX. New Business:

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to accept William Morrison as a new member of the Cataract Engine & Hose Company. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to accept Kobe Bartlett as a new member of the Dikeman Engine & Hose Company. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion passed
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo a resolution was made to accept Kieran Doody as 16/17 year old member of the Minisink Hook & Ladder Company (Attachment B). A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion Passed.

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to accept the changes to the Cataract Engine & Hose By-Laws with regards to stipends paid to the apparatus and room stewards. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion Passed.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to allow UBS to reallocate funds from the John Hancock Bond Fund and two GNMA funds to Pimco Income Fund in the amount of \$341,744 and to reinvest \$145,463.83 in the Apparatus fund into a 2 year CD at an interest rate of 4.3% A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion Passed
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to accept the budget modifications to balance the 2024 budget. (Attachment C) A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Pearson, Shovlin, Donnelly and Gallo voted yes. Commissioner Turi was absent. Motion Passed.
- A unanimous verbal approval was given to the Town of Wallkill to use the bays at Station1 on February 10-14, 2025 for CPR/AED training and forcible entry as this request came in between meetings.
- Reviewed the Cancer policy and we can now start covering exterior members. Therefore going forward the doctor's office has been informed that everyone will receive both a physical and mask fit test.

X. Public Participation:

- Chief Budd commented that he also was confused/concerned about what a FF is to do with Pet if they are at the firehouse and they get a call.

XI. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Commissioner Gallo and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to adjourn at 7:25 PM. All Commissioners present in favor. One Commissioner absent. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen A. Roberts
Secretary

RESOLUTION OF THE GOSHEN FIRE DISTRICT

Whereas, the district has a need to do various repairs to the three firehouses;

Whereas, sufficient reserve funds have been saved in a capital reserve fund which may be utilized to do repairs;

Whereas, spending funds in a capital reserve requires the resolution to be subject to permissive referendum;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion made, seconded and discussion held, and **subject to permissive referendum**, the fire commissioners of the fire district RESOLVE as follows:

1. There is hereby declared a need to do various repairs utilizing funds from an appropriate capital reserve fund;
2. The district shall purchase the apparatus utilizing funds from the capital reserve fund;
3. Up to \$225,000.00 may be withdrawn from the capital reserve fund for various repairs to the firehouses . The withdrawal may be taken in one or more amounts;
4. No funds may be withdrawn until the passage of thirty days from the date of publication of the abstract of the publication of this resolution;
5. The secretary is hereby directed to place an abstract of the resolution upon the town’s sign board and website immediately, and must remain there for at least 15 days;
6. The secretary is hereby directed to place such abstract in the newspaper having general circulation in this district.

This resolution was approved by a majority of the Commissioners, on the 20th day of June 2024

By: Commissioner Shovlin, seconded by Commissioner Gallo

Commissioner Turi ___Absent_____

Commissioner Pearson ___Yes_____

Commissioner Gallo ___Yes_____

Commissioner Donnelly ___Yes_____

Commissioner Shovlin ___Yes_____

GOSHEN FIRE DISTRICT
 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 16-17 YEAR OLD

DATE: 2-20-25

BE IT RESOLVED that Kieran Doody 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 2nd by Commissioner Gallo

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>
Gallo	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

ATTACHMENT C

ACCOUNT		OVERAGE AMT	NEED	TAKE FROM	
A03410.405	FOOD FOR FIRES	\$2.33		A03410.415	DRILLS
A03410.416	ADVERTISING	\$43.33		A03410.412	OFFCE SUPPLIES
A03410.418	TELEPHONE	\$4,600.87	\$12,273.80	A03410.401 has left \$12,452.00	CONTRACT SERV
A03410.419	CELL PHONES	\$2,370.23			CONTRACT SERV
A03410.428	COMPUTERS	\$5,302.70			CONTRACT SERV
A03411.450	DIKEMAN - BLD REPAIR	\$1,860.48		A03411.452	UTILITIES
A03412.450	MINISINK - BLD. REPAIR	\$868.22	\$18,985.10	A03411.451 - \$1490.00 A03411.452 - \$4886.10 A03411.453 - \$2000.00 A03412.453 - \$4000.00 A03413.450 - \$1865.00 A03413.451 - \$914.00 A03413.453 - \$3830.00	Used Remaining Snow Removal-all 3 houses/Maintenance Contracts/Bldg repair/Utilites
A03412.452	MINISINK - UTILITIES	\$6,491.41			
A03413.452	CATARACT - UTILITIES	\$11,625.47			
A03414.401	CHIEF CAR 2018 TAHOE	\$73.44	\$32,106.58	Use everything left in each of the apparatus A03414 as well as 7453.00 from A03410.425	All the trucks and some from Repair to Equipment
A03414.931	931	\$304.06			
A03414.936	936	\$2,007.72			
A03414.937	937	\$28,351.36			
A03414.950	MECHANIC	\$1,370.00			