

Goshen Fire District

Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2026

I. Call to order:

Chairman Pearson called to order the regular meeting of the Goshen Fire District at 7:00 PM on August 20, 2026 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 Pearson, Commissioner Shovlin, Commissioner Gallo, Secretary Roberts, Chief Easop, Assistant Chief Graham, Past Chief Budd, FF Jorgensen, Trish from Village of Goshen Parks & Rec.

Absent: Commissioner Donnelly, Commissioner Gonzales, Treasurer McPhee, Assistant Chief Gambuti

Trish came to go over the parade route for the Christmas parade and seeing Santa in the square. The parks and recreation department wanted to make sure that the fire district was ok with the route and plans on how to distribute candy canes and assist with Santa. Also thanks the district for helping to keep the kids cool during summer camp. Had a questions from the Woodhills Apartment complex with regards to fire hydrants and who is responsible for having the ones in the apartment complex tested. Was informed that the management of the apartment complex is responsible for them.

III. Approval of minutes meeting:

A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to approve the minutes of the monthly meeting held on July 16, 2026. All Commissioners present in favor. Two Commissioners absent. Motion passed.

IV. Correspondence:

- Received an e-mail with regards to the Fallen Firefighter Memorial Ceremony on October 6 at 11 AM.
- The insurance claim for FF Rudolph has been closed.
- Received notification from NYSEG about a leak at Station1. Problem has been fixed.
- The Association of Fire Districts of Orange County will meet on August 25, 2026 at 7:30 at the Montgomery Fire District.
- Purchasing Module is up and running. Reminded everyone that purchase requests are to be through the Purchasing Agent.
- Received a letter from Past Chief Budd with regards to the Response Awards Program and legislation that is currently in the Senate & Assembly that might benefit this program. Asked that the Board to write a letter to both our Senator and Assemblyman stating that we support this legislation.

V. Treasurer Report : (given by Secretary Roberts)

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to approve checks for Abstract #14(Prepaid & Capital bills) in the amount of \$48,523.90, and abstract #15 (Monthly) in the amount of \$31,290.96 for a total of \$79,814.86.14. All Commissioners present in favor. Two Commissioner absent. Motion passed.

Audit is complete.

An additional check for 2% money has been received and will be distributed to each house.

VI. Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Pearson:

- 931 – Repaired.
- 932 – booster tank
- 935 – is back. Check engine light keeps coming on but believe we know why. Will be putting it out to bid next month.
- Car 3 – Oil change was done. Check engine light
- Car 2 - Will need an oil change and brakes. Set up for October when away
- 936 - A/C Bad
- 934 – Breaks have been fixed.
- Need to go into executive session.

Commissioner Shovlin: None

Commissioner Donnelly: Absent – report given by Secretary Roberts

Station 1:

- New A/C unit in radio room
- New door closers on radio room and office.
- A/C installers spilt water on alarm system and will be paying for the repair.
- Electrician moved the electric on rear wall to make room for new pressure washer.
- Electrician replaced flood light on garage
- Tool room toolbox has been outfitted.
- Comairco serviced air compressor.
- New freezer in kitchen
- 2 new boilers

Station 2

- Comairco serviced the air compressor – took out 10 gallons of water because it had been shut off.

Station 3

- Comairco serviced the air compressor.

Commissioner Gallo:

- Requested the Fire Prevention Trailer for October 17th.

Commissioner Gonzales: Absent

VII. Chief's Reports

Chief Easop:

- Calls July 64 YTD 349

Assistant Chief Graham:

- October 10 – OCJ will be conducting their 3 year exercise. This year is a mass casualty incident with vehicles.
- Legislation for Response Award Program – says that FASNY is not in support of this and also asked that we send a letter to them stating that we are in support of this legislation.
- Ordered the Fire Prevention Trailer for October 17 per Commissioner Gallo's request.

- RedNMX had a failure point with I Am Responding. It was on RedNMX side. Some calls will need to be reprocessed.
- Had a request from Michael Gardianos from the Middletown Little League requesting to purchase one of our AED's.

Assistant Chief Gambuti: Absent – report given by Secretary Roberts

- Have been requested to stand by in Nanuet on October 3 so they can attend their parade.
- New trailer is here and ready for duty.
- Working on an updated list of members that need physicals and OSHA training.
- Would like to attend the Joey DiBernardo Seminar on Long Island on November 6-8. Will use the chief's car for transportation.
- Received quote for the replacement coat for FF Cook. Need to have approval to order.
- All 9 Single CO Meters are in and have been put in RedNMX and distributed.
- The relocation program that started last month has been working. Rigs are getting out with fuller crews and we have been getting members qualified on the rigs in the central firehouse.

VIII. Old Business:

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to award the painting bid to R&B Painting as follows:
Interior/Exterior - \$24,600.
Station 3 - \$4,500.00
Station 1 - \$3,800.00
A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gallo voted yes. Commissioners Gonzales & Donnelly were absent. Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to award the Janitorial Bid to Advanced DRI LLC as follows:
Monthly Cleaning - \$375.00.
Floors/Carpet Station 1 - \$1,875.00
Station 2 - \$2,450.00
Station 3 - \$5,920.00
A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gallo voted yes. Commissioners Gonzales & Donnelly were absent. Motion passed
- Snow Removal Bid is in the paper. Walk Through will be September 1, 2026 at 9.
- Glen Arden Pilot. Secretary Roberts has been instructed to contact Attorney Bach and see if he has heard anything and assist in drafting a letter.
- Greenlight contract will be coming up for renewal in January 2027. After a discussion about extending it Secretary Roberts was instructed to send a letter stating we would extend it but wanted the reimbursement amount for electric increased to \$500.00

IX. New Business:

- A motion was made by Commissioner Gallo and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to accept allow 934 to go to Nanuet for standby on October 3. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gallo voted yes. Commissioners Gonzales & Donnelly were absent. Motion passed
- A motion was made by Commissioner Gallo and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to donate an AED unit to the Middletown Little League. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gallo voted yes. Commissioners Gonzales & Donnelly were absent. Motion passed
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo a resolution was made to allow Assistant Chief Gambuti to attend the Joe DiBernardo Seminar in Long Island on November 6-8, 2026 and to use car 3 as transportation.

(Attachment A) A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gallo voted yes. Commissioners Gonzales & Donnelly were absent. Motion passed

- Reorganizational meeting will on Thursday, January 7, 2027 at 5:30.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to amend the Chief Officers Rules and Regulations as follows:

Article III, Section I item d – ADD - or living in an adjoining Fire District within 3 miles of the Goshen Fire District border.

Article III, Section II-Limitations, Item a – DELETE subsection (i) and (ii)

Article III, Section II-Limitations, Item d – DELETE except as provided in section II-a of this chapter.

A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gallo voted yes. Commissioners Gonzales & Donnelly were absent. Motion passed

X. Public Participation:

- Past Chief Budd thanked us for writing the letters in support of the Response Award Program.

XI. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to adjourn to executive session at 8:45. All Commissioners present in favor. Two Commissioners absent. Motion passed. As there is nothing to vote on will be adjourn directly from executive session.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen A. Roberts, Secretary

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

DATE OF RESOLUTION August 20, 2026

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 Assistant Chief Gambuti a volunteer with the Goshen Fire Department to attend out-of-county training in Long Island for the following type of training: Joey P. DiBernardo Training Seminar on November 6-8, 2026 and to use Chief Car 3 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, 2nd of Commissioner Gallo

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Pearson	<u>X</u>		
Commissioner Donnelly			<u>X</u>
Commissioner Gonzales			<u>X</u>
Commissioner Shovlin	<u>X</u>		
Commissioner Gallo	<u>X</u>		