

# STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

## Minutes

March 11, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Chairman Tim Powell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present were:

Tim Powell	x	Andrea Donaghy	Stamford Fire Chief Don VanEtten	x
Lucy Chichester	x	Dusty King	1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief AJ Vamosy	
Ellen Kennedy	x	Peter Pioppo	2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief Joe Hornbeck	x
		Bill Sharick	Stamford EMS Chief George Curbelo	x

Introductions, overview and presentation by Kevin Hull and Chris Slonaker regarding our policy and insurance coverages.

- Trucks limit increase by 5%
- No changes to policy this year
- Discussion about what NBT can offer for trainings, policies, systems and other items that might be of interest.
- Discussion to have a representative come to a future meeting to review – contact is Doris Corgi
- Motion made to accept policy as presented – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

The Minutes from the February meeting were read and approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

### **Presentation of Bills**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Adobe	\$ 863.64
Airgas USA	\$ 107.76
Amazon	\$ 109.98
AT&T Mobility	\$ 229.38
Bank of Greene County	\$ 39,609.65
Gillee's (NAPA)	\$ 30.37
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 1,021.00
IAmResponding	\$ 660.00
James Publishing	\$ 175.00
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 100.42
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 141.07
Mark Powell	\$ 1,500.00
Microsoft	\$ 140.39
NBT Insurance Agency	\$ 23,742.85
NYSEG	\$ 1,141.41
NYSIF Workers' comp	\$ 1,742.22
Ricoh	\$ 18.50
Stryker	\$ 313.39
Superior Plus Propane	\$ 791.90
Tractor Supply	\$ 62.44
USPS	\$ 73.00
Waste Recovery Enterprises	\$ 28.00
Wells Fargo Vendor Financial	\$ 60.90

WEX Bank

\$ 1,028.57  
\$ 73,691.84

Approval of bills as presented – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

**Treasurer's Report** - Bank account balances as of 3/1/2025:

**Bank of Greene County Accounts**

Checking Account	\$ 1,416.82
General Fund Savings	\$ 143,115.82
Apparatus Reserve Savings	\$ 237,545.04
Repair Reserve Savings	\$ 33,774.19
PPE Reserve	\$ 5,001.39

Lucy noted the following tax monies have been received –

- Town of Gilboa - \$55,899.05 – reported last month
- Town of Stamford - \$71,525.41 – reported last month
- Town of Kortright - \$16,907.76 – reported last month
- Town of Jefferson - \$28,354.88

We also received a \$600 check from Howlett Hill Fire Dept for the sale of surplus equipment – rescue jacks.

**Privilege of the Floor**

None at this time.

**Reports / Requests from Fire Department Chiefs**

- Chief VanEtten –
  - Reported no new memberships.
  - Approval to purchase 50 baseball caps (approximately \$1,000) for the department as part of apparel – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Peter, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.
  - Discussion to go back to 10 member enrollment for EMS Academy which per head with how many EMS providers we have and who are coming up, makes more sense. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.
  - Chainsaw helmets needed – two at \$54.99 per – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

**Old Business**

- None.

**New Business**

- Defensive Driver Class offering to department members – Bill will look into.

**Commissioner Reports / Discussion**

- Dusty – did not attend meeting.
  - Tim on behalf of Dusty – the amp meters are installed.
- Peter –
  - 2751 – Doug Cole cleaned up the batteries.
  - 2713 – marker lights have been replaced
  - 2712 – scene lights need to be repaired after wires cut accidentally
  - ARGO tracks are off and it's ready for brush fire season
- Bill –
  - Communications – noted there are 6 more of the cheaper pagers available.
  - Discussion about the policy/guidelines document and that he made notes and discussion about how to get members to comply. Discussion about possibilities of how to enforce and need to update the ByLaws once the changes have been made.
  - Discussion need to have SJFD Commissioners and SFD Board of Directors review the draft policy/guidelines and then meet to discuss – date TBD.
- Andrea – did not attend meeting.

- Tim –
  - 2761 update – no more updates or interest from department in North Carolina.
  - Discussion that the new truck will be here soon – move price to \$185K. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

**Other Business**

Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Respectfully,

Ellen Kennedy  
District Secretary