

# STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

**Minutes**  
April 8, 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 | x | Stamford Fire Chief Don VanEtten                  | x |
| Lucy Chichester | x | Dusty King     | x | 1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief AJ Vamosy    |   |
| Ellen Kennedy   | x | Peter Pioppo   | x | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief Joe Hornbeck | x |
|                 |   | Bill Sharick   | x | Stamford EMS Chief Karen Cole                     | x |

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

## **Presentation of Bills**

| <b><u>Vendor</u></b>           | <b><u>Amount</u></b>      |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ace Hardware                   | \$ 81.18                  |
| Amazon                         | \$ 499.99                 |
| AT&T Mobility                  | \$ 229.38                 |
| Country Home Security Services | \$ 268.44                 |
| Delco Creative                 | \$ 1,000.00               |
| Gillee's (NAPA)                | \$ 65.45                  |
| Har-Rob Fire Apparatus         | \$ 1,884.00               |
| Lenova                         | \$ 102.84                 |
| Margaretville Telephone        | \$ 98.85                  |
| Margaretville Telephone        | \$ 141.07                 |
| Mark Powell                    | \$ 1,500.00               |
| NBT Insurance Agency, LLC      | \$ 2,267.00               |
| Ricoh USA, Inc                 | \$ 12.57                  |
| Superior Plus Propane          | \$ 544.05                 |
| US Postal Service              | \$ 102.00                 |
| Village of Stamford            | \$ 128.19                 |
| Waste Recovery Enterprises     | \$ 28.00                  |
| Wells Fargo Vendor Financial   | \$ 58.00                  |
|                                | <b><u>\$ 9,011.01</u></b> |

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 4/1/2025:

### **Bank of Greene County Accounts**

|                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Checking Account          | \$ 7,799.60   |
| General Fund Savings      | \$ 110,152.21 |
| Apparatus Reserve Savings | \$ 237,954.79 |
| Repair Reserve Savings    | \$ 33,832.45  |
| PPE Reserve               | \$ 5,010.02   |

Lucy noted the following tax monies have been received –

- NYSIF Dividends received - \$8,536.32
- It was also noted that the Town of Harpersfield tax monies have not been received yet.

### **Privilege of the Floor**

None at this time.

### **Reports / Requests from Fire Department Chiefs**

- Chief VanEtten –
  - Reported no new memberships.
  - Inquired about WEX card for new EMS Chief Karen. It was noted that she has the former EMS Chief's card to use.
- Karen – nothing to report this month.

### **Old Business**

- It was noted the kitchen sink drains have been updated.
- Battery chargers need to be fixed – check the clamps and cables.
- Will need to do outside work when gets warmer out – including fix the steps.
- Discussion about the Boards meeting to discuss the proposed SOPs/SOGs. Discussion will not be able to get entire Boards together, so will do smaller groups. Bill will coordinate this and plan to meet during the week of April 21<sup>st</sup>. Those on the committee would be: Bill, Dusty, Peter, Karen and Paul Vamosy.

### **New Business**

- Discussion about purchase of a hose bed cover/tarp for 2713. At this point hold off, is not really necessary.

### **Commissioner Reports / Discussion**

- Dusty –
  - Discussion about exit door by the shed not securing properly. Will check with Tom Ehrhard to see if he can fix or provide guidance.
  - Noted the generator should be serviced.
  - Noted need to clean up the rest of the debris outside from the roofing project.
  - Noted steps to be work on in warmer weather.
  - Noted has not done anything with the flag pole light. It was also noted that there is a new soffit light out (east side of the building).
- Peter –
  - 2712 – repairs on scene light – needs to look into further.
- Bill –
  - Noted the weather is getting nicer – need to put the cones back out at rear of the building. Post office customers are parking in SFD area again.
  - Communications – most of the radios have been given out and are working well. There are extra old and new hi-band radios.
  - The baseball caps order (50) is in – better quality and American made.
  - 9/11 signs – starting up again – Town of Kortright and back to Town of Gilboa area again.
  - Discussion that four G3 pagers need to have work done on them. Suggestion to check with KJBL to see if they have a flat rate fee to service them.
- Andrea –
  - Noted applying for Livestock Foundation \$10K matching grant – cannot be used for mortgage, etc.
  - Noted coming back around to repeat requests for grant funds.
- Tim –
  - Noted that he is having computer and printer issues with SJFD home office equipment. The computer is only one year old – extend warranty for 2 years - \$95.15. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Andrea – none opposed. Needs a new printer - \$500.00 – Brother brand – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.
  - Discussion about funds from SJFD to SFD for Installation Dinner 2025. Approved for \$3500 – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Dusty, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.

- 2761 updates – there have been no further inquiries about the sale of the rescue truck.
- Discussion about the state grant – we can't buy on the quotes we have. We either have to bid it or wait for another contract to be opened.

**Other Business**

Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Respectfully,

Ellen Kennedy  
District Secretary

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