

July 13, 2026

MEETING OPENED:

The East Fishkill Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular board meeting at district headquarters. Chairman Dixon called the meeting to order at 8:06 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Those members present were: Chairman Dixon, Vice-Chairman Shultis, Commissioner Jodlowski, Commissioner Freer and Commissioner Zboinski. All motions were unanimous, unless otherwise stated.

On a motion by Commissioner Jodlowski and seconded by Commissioner Zboinski, the bills payable were approved. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Station 1 – Reece J. Abrams – Jr. Member –Pending arson, pending physical

On a motion by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Freer, this application, pending arson and physical, was approved.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

From Hillside Lake to Stormville – Ariana Gulbrandsen

From Wiccopee to Stormville – Taylor Valentine

On a motion by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Jodlowski, these transfers were approved.

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATION:

Station 2 – Alex Valdez

On a motion by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis, this application was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter of resignation from Brian Strenge from Station 3.
2. Letter of resignation from Christian Husbands from Station 3.
3. Email from Robert Maire about tower space on Illinois Mountain in Lloyd, NY.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of the tower being able to cover the dead spot we currently have. Vice-Chairman Shultis will contact Goosetown to talk about this issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jodlowski made a motion that pending the successful completion of a permissive referendum, one Attack panel, not to exceed \$27,000.00, will be purchased from the Major Equipment Reserve Fund, to include the installation and all accessories in the quote from Lion. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Zboinski made a motion to allow Troy Tucker to attend Ulster County Self Rescue class at no cost, just the use of a District vehicle. Seconded by Commissioner Freer and motion was carried.

On a motion made by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis, the request from Fishkill Plains Elementary School for a fire truck visit on 7/17/26 from 9-10 AM was approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zboinski to transfer \$100,000.00 from NY Class General Fund to Tompkins Checking. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and carried. Chairman Dixon abstained.

Car 8 advised the Board of some issues he is having with the ambulances. He would like to see a new ambulance purchased sooner than later. The Board will discuss.

There was discussion regarding the adding of incident pictures on the website. There currently a policy that no members can take pictures at incidents. This policy will be modified to allow Chiefs to take appropriate pictures to post on the website to promote the Fire District.

Car 6 advised that Fire Fighter One will be held at the Training Center next week and questioned whether the air compressor and hydrants are in working order. The Board advised that as of now, they are working.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An executive session was called to order at 8:28 PM by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis. Those present were: Chairman Dixon, Vice-Chairman Shultis, Commissioner Jodlowski, Commissioner Freer, Commissioner Zboinski, Car 1, Car 2 and Secretary Kaye.

There was a personnel discussion regarding FF 70. Car 1 advised the Board of the 30 day suspension, beginning on 6/29/26. Car 1 also advised that Station 2 has put Firefighter 70 on Administrative Leave until his suspension with the District is over. At that time he will be removed from his position. If he finishes the year without any further issues, he will be allowed to run for that next year. If elected, he will be "Officer on probation". The Board requested that Station 2 put this issue in writing and submit it to the Board.

At 9:03 PM Commissioner Zboinski made a motion to adjourn the executive session and it was seconded by Commissioner Freer.

A motion was made by Chairman Dixon to continue Firefighter 70's temporary suspension while the Board gathers more information. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis and carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:03 pm by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Freer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer