

July 14, 2025

An executive session was called to order at 6:35 PM by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis. Those present were: Chairman Dixon, Vice-Chairman Shultis, Commissioner Freer, Commissioner Zboinski, Car 1 and Secretary Kaye. Commissioner Jodlowski joined by telephone.

There was a personnel discussion with FF 40.

Car 1 advised the Board of a discussion he had with FF's (Squittieri, Donovan, Hickok, Rimm).

There were no motions made at this session.

At 7:17 PM Vice-Chairman Shultis made a motion to adjourn the executive session and it was seconded by Commissioner Zboinski.

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 8:24 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

On a motion by Vice-Commissioner Shultis and seconded by Commissioner Freer, the bills payable were approved. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Station 1 – James Kane – Pending arson, pending physical

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

DRIVER/TRAINING APPLICATION:

Station 1 – Matthew Rickett

Esther O'Rourke – Pending insurance approval

Station 2 – James Moore

On a motion by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Freer, these applications were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Request from EFPD to use the meeting room on August 4th and September 8th at 3:15PM.
2. Request from EFPD to use the meeting room on July 29th from 7AM to 3PM.
3. Change of address out of district request from Michael VanWagenen, Station 3.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Freer made a motion to accept the proposal from Longview Pole and Landscape to replace the bushes in the front and back of building at a cost of \$3,000.00. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and motion was carried.

On a motion made by Commissioner Freer and seconded by Vice-Chairman Shultis, the EFPD are allowed use of the meeting room on July 29th, August 4th and September 8th.

A motion was made by Commissioner Freer to allow three members to attend the Fire & EMS Expo at Mohegan Sun on 9/24 – 9/27/25 at a cost of \$475.00 per person and one member attend on 9/27/25 at a cost of \$275.00. To include accommodations in the amount of \$1400.00, travel and food expenses. Seconded by Commissioner Zboinski and carried.

CHIEF COMMENTS:

Chief John Jackson advised the Board that he received a letter from the Granby Police Department requesting use of our radio frequency. Vice-Chairman Shultis will check with Goosetown to make sure this will not interfere with our radio activity.

There was a call at the Amazon warehouse and the members were using Fire 2, which was not working well as it was difficult to hear. They went back to 39. Car 1 and Car 2 determined they need to do additional testing to see if some members did not have their radios set correctly.

Car 1 had a meeting with the new Chief of OnSemi and the new manager. EFFD will be doing a walk through drill in August and some additional training with OnSemi. He advised that the Town Supervisor requested a letter from him regarding meetings he has had with OnSemi and the two in two out policy. OnSemi may be hiring two EFFD members, which would be very helpful.

Appreciated Day is scheduled for September 13th and Community Day is September 20th. Car 8 has met with the Open House Committee and Open House is scheduled for October 5th.

There was some discussion regarding the gear grant and what has been received and paid for. Four sets of new member gear has been received and Secretary Beyer will submit for reimbursement when the cancelled check is available.

Car 1 advised that the EFPD are having a Nation Night Out on August 5th where they will be interacting with people in town. They are looking for participation from EFFD and Car 8 and Craig Lecker are working on this. The event will be held at the Recreation Department and will be from 5:30PM to 8:00PM.

There was discussion regarding parade budget and lack of participation. The Board would like to see how participation goes this year and possibly make changes for next year.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:46 pm by Commissioner Zboinski and seconded by Commissioner Freer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathe Kaye
Secretary/Deputy Treasurer