

NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
1766 Latta Road Station #2  
10/10/2023

**PRESENT:** Chairman W. Rickman, Commissioners M. Beaty, W. Bedford, J. Maxwell, M. Stolte;  
Treasurer/IT A. Hinds, Secretary Kari Dutton, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Deputy Chief  
J. Lissow, Atty. R. DiRaddo

**ABSENT:** Fire Chief K. Battaglia

**PUBLIC:** Joe Camiolo, FF J. Chennel, FF T. Clark

The Chairman called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted the fire exits. The opening of the meeting was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our departed members.

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blank to honor past  
Commissioner and Firefighter

*Edwin J. Spahn*

Badge #80

passed on October 4, 2023

-serving the N. Greece Fire

District from

1968-1975

**PUBLIC TOPICS**

Chairman read the District’s established procedure for handling public topics set forth on each agenda as follows:

- A. The Board will now conduct the public comment period for those who have notified the Secretary no later than 15 minutes prior to this meeting.
  - B. When the Chairman calls upon you, please stand and state your name/address and what you want the Board to consider.
  - C. As the Board conducts essential business at this meeting, a 3-minute rule on all public comments has been established. Please do not expect the Board to answer any questions at this time.
  - D. Once the public comment public comment period ends the public will not be permitted to comment.
- Joe Camiolo spoke regarding the passing of Ed Spahn and addressed his accomplishments.
  - The bid for training ground pavement was opened from Bayside. They neglected to include a non-collusive bidding certificate. **In this case only**, because they were the **only bidders**, the board may ask for the certificate and accept the bid if they wish.

**MOTION BY** Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Beaty, To approve the regular 9/12/2023 meeting minutes.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes*  
*Carried*

**MOTION BY** Commissioner W. Bedford, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To approve the regular 9/26/2023 meeting minutes.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes*  
*Carried*

**Treasurer A. Hinds**

- Treasurer Hinds read the monthly financial report, detailing receipts, disbursements, exception report, budget summary, grants, and status of approved reserve account expenditures. The financial report is appended to these minutes.

**MOTION BY** Commissioner M. Beaty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Stolte, To approve the monthly financial report as submitted by Treasurer Hinds.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes*  
*Carried*

**MOTION BY** Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner W. Bedford, To resolve to approve payment of bills listed on the abstract of vouchers totaling \$160,024.21 as submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 10/10/2023.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes*  
*Carried*

Date	Sent
9/14/23	Invitation to Ken Preston family for town wide memorial service on 10/8/23
9/19/23	Sympathy card to the J. Nesbitt family upon the loss of his sister Michelle.
10/2/23	Get well card to Ray Barnard
10/5/25	Fire report for 11 Bluefield Manor on 8/29/23 to homeowner

Date	Received
10/5	Foil request for fire at 11 Bluefield Manor 8/29/23
10/10/23	Thank you note from Nancy Bedford for thinking of her during her illness

**Secretary K. Dutton**

**MOTION BY** Commissioner W. Bedford, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To resolve to publish the Notice of Elections and comply with all statutory posting requirements at NGFD and Towns of Greece and Parma.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes  
Carried*

- The secretary will coordinate food for the November department meeting.
- The board would like the secretary to send flowers to two firefighters' wives who are going through serious health issues.

**Treasurer/IT A. Hinds**

- We have had a server issue that caused problems in the last week. More memory was installed today.
- The administrative staff of Greece and Gates met today at headquarters. This is always beneficial for us.
- Next Tuesday is the budget hearing and a hearing for the use of repair reserve for paving. Comm. Beaty will need to explain the paving project. There was also a discussion on how to address the budget for 2024 and plans for station 3.

**Administrator T. Gretzinger**

- The proposal for coverage for volunteer cancer benefits programs needs a signature. The Enhanced Plan has been offered in the past which offers more money for payout with a cost of \$2,758 for the number of volunteers we have.

**Deputy Chief J. Lissow**

- We have had 2,620 calls year-to-date with 54% of those being EMS.
- Per the motion made earlier this year, 4 members have been registered for the 2024 FDIC in Indianapolis, IN: S. Carter, T. Smith, T. Sullivan, M. Castronovo.
- FF J. Chennel and B. Allen have been cleared as engine drivers.

**Fire Chief K. Battaglia-necessarily absent**

**Commissioner M. Beaty**

- An update was given on the paving at the training grounds.
- An assessment of the roof at HQ is upcoming.
- We have had continual issues with station 3 including drainage inside and outside along with sinking.

**Commissioner W. Bedford**

- The board approved final payment on the new engine tonight. The final inspection should be in 3 weeks. Our last trip to inspect was very beneficial. Next, it will go to MSH to fit the compartments, which will probably cost \$30-\$40K. The process is so much slower now due to an issue with getting parts.
- The roadway to the training grounds is the districts responsibility. It was suggested that we should investigate having it sealed before the work starts as it is already cracked and falling apart. Sealing the roadway this fall may help it last longer.
- Thanks to the board administration, and chiefs for thinking of Nancy.

Commissioner J. Maxwell-no report

Commissioner M. Stolte

- The Health and Safety Committee will be meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman W. Rickman

- Last week's town training last week went well. There was great discussion between departments and officers. One mishap with 250 nicked the railing on the roof of the burn building. But it just needs to have 4 bolts replaced. Irondequoit contributed by covering our town with their aerial, Barnard contributed their squad with paramedic for EMS standby for two days and Monroe Ambulance also helped by sending their EMT academy for two days. Lt. Castronovo and RRFD Capt. Chris Williams were instrumental in organizing this training.

**MOTION BY** Commissioner W. Bedford, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Beaty, To accept the bid for training grounds paving with both alternates included not to exceed \$377,200 pending receipt of the non-collusive and pending the public hearing on October 17, 2023, before signing the contract.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes  
Carried*

**MOTION BY** Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner M. Stolte, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:47 p.m.

*M. Beaty – yes, W. Bedford – yes, J. Maxwell – yes, W. Rickman – yes, M. Stolte – yes  
Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Kari Dutton, Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners  
North Greece Fire District