

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
1766 Latta Road Station #2
4/9/2024**

PRESENT: Chairman M. Stolte, Commissioners W. Bedford, J. Maxwell, W. Rickman; Treasurer/IT A. Hinds, Secretary Kari Dutton, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Deputy Chief J. Lissow, Fire Chief K. Battaglia

ABSENT: Commissioner M. Beaty

PUBLIC: Joe Camiolo, Director Mark Neusatz, Capt. Jeff Gates

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.

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 period ends the public will not be permitted to comment.

Joe Camiolo addressed the board regarding past FOIL requests and speaking to the board in public meetings. He also voiced concerns over building a new station on the current Station 3 property and encouraged the board to look for something closer to Latta Road.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner W. Rickman, To approve the 3/6/2024 special meeting minutes.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To approve the 3/12/2024 regular meeting minutes.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner W. Rickman, To approve the 3/26/24 regular meeting minutes.

*M. Beaty – absent, 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 monthly financial report is appended to these minutes.

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Bedford, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To approve the monthly financial report as submitted by Treasurer Hinds.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To resolve to approve payment of bills listed on the abstract of vouchers totaling \$ 27,311.65 as submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 4/9/2024.

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

Date	Sent
3/12/24	Expected time of release station 3 info requested by J. Camiolo
3/13/24	Response to J. Camiolo for FOIL of auditor's report
3/13/24	Sympathy cards to Kris Helfer, Larry Helfer, John Short on the passing of Mary E. Helfer (age 97)
3/15/24	Sympathy card to FF Bill Allen on the passing of his mother.
3/19/24	J. Camiolo personnel file sent in response to FOIL. Items that wouldn't fit were put on his drive and picked up by him on 3/27/24
3/20/24	Sympathy card to the Klein family on the passing of Christine's father Kenneth Kessler
4/2/24	FOIL denial to J. Camiolo for station 3 records due to information non-existence or being "inter-agency materials" and thus exempt from disclosure. P.O.L. § 87[2][g].
4/4/24	Email to Hayden Koch re FOIL 2050 Latta Road
4/5/24	Fire reports sent to Hayden Koch re FOIL 2050 Latta Rd.
4/8/24	Fire report sent to Diane Sanders for Fire at 287 chimney Hill Rd on 4/3/24 by email.
Date	Received
3/12/24	FOIL from J. Camiolo for auditor's report 2023 presented 3/12/2024
4/1/24	FOIL 2050 Latta Road, Greece, NY 14612 from Hayden Koch 1) Has your office been informed of any storage of hazardous/regulated materials on the subject property or of any incidents/releases involving hazardous/regulated materials on the subject property in association with Records of Emergency Notification under SARA Title III? 2) Were there any fires on the subject property for which the fire department responded? If so, what type of chemicals were used in the firefighting process?
4/4/24	FOIL 287 Chimney Hill Rd. Fire Report from 4/3/24 by Diane Sanders
4/9/24	FOIL from J. Camiolo for electronic copy of station 3 proposed build out as presented at the fire department meeting on 4/8/24 and request 4/1/24 FOIL again.

Secretary K. Dutton

- A committee was suggested to put together an Emergency/Disaster plan to complement our COOPlan consisting of: Comm. Bedford, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Sec. K. Dutton, Treasurer/IT A. Hinds and Chief Battaglia.

Treasurer/IT A. Hinds

- A review was given of our restricted accounts. Treasurer Hinds will speak with RBC at his conference next week to ask for suggestions for our LOSAP investment account. It is currently a level 2 risk.
- The current schedule for station 3 calls for a mandatory referendum resolution for bonding at our next meeting, with an election being held on June 4, 2024. This will be based on whether the bonding agent can get everything ready by then.

Administrator T. Gretzinger-No Report

Deputy Chief J. Lissow

- HQ Roof update: Elmer Davis will look at it this week and give suggestions.

Fire Chief K. Battaglia

- We have responded to 1,133 calls year-to-date, 59% of those were EMS calls.
- The presentation to the volunteers regarding rebuilding station 3 went well. Some great questions were asked.
- The building committee met today at station 3.
- A public open house will be held this Saturday from 9 am to 12 noon. Crews have gone out to talk to the immediate neighbors. Community concerns were very reasonable. The station fits great on the plot of land and keeps us in the center of the district allowing us to respond to all four districts as a truck company.
- We were prepared for the Eclipse should there have been any issues and now we have an IAP ready to go for future situations. Standby crews were sent home early. We didn't have any calls related to the Eclipse.
- We will be meeting with prospective volunteers on Thursday. Nine are expected. Half usually want interviews.
- Our last group of 3 will be cleared tomorrow from their internal training. Can't get into class until the fall.

Commissioner M. Beaty-necessarily absent

Commissioner W. Bedford

- There was a discussion regarding wording for the district plaque for the station 1 memorial.

Commissioner J. Maxwell-No Report

Commissioner W. Rickman-No Report

Chairman M. Stolte

- They are hoping to break ground for the Memorial in May.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To move to executive session at 6:35 pm to discuss matters relating to personnel hiring/firing.

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

Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To return to regular session at 6:53 pm.

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

Carried

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MOTION BY Commissioner W. Rickman, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To permanently appoint Sean Beiter to the position of Fire Prevention Educator based on the results of Civil Service exam OC-62935.

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

Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:54 p.m.

M. Beaty – absent, 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