

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
1766 Latta Road Station #2
4/8/2025**

PRESENT: Chairman W. Bedford, Commissioners J Nolan, M. Stolte, J. Maxwell; Treasurer/IT A. Hinds, Deputy Chief J. Lissow, Fire Chief K. Battaglia, Atty. R. DiRaddo

ABSENT: Secretary Kari Dutton, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Commissioner W. Rickman

PUBLIC: Dir. Bill King, Joe Camiolo, Capt. J. 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.

- Phil Davola addressed the board representing the NG Exempts regarding joining the district and department for their bonding. The board agreed that this was not an issue. The billing will be done through the department.

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To approve the regular 3/11/2025 meeting minutes.

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

Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To approve the regular 3/25/2025 meeting minutes.

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

Carried

Treasurer A. Hinds

- Treasurer Hinds read the quarterly financial report, detailing receipts, disbursements, exception report, budget summary, grants, and status of approved reserve account expenditures. The quarterly financial report is appended to these minutes. Unassigned fund balance is of note to show the health of the district finances. RBC (LOSAP provider) has requested a meeting to review investments.

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

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

Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, To resolve to approve payment of vouchers 253 through 294 totaling \$89,639.50 submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 4/08/2025.

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

Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner J. Nolan, To resolve to approve payment of station 3 Capital Fund vouchers 26 through 28 totaling \$70,456.27 submitted by Treasurer Hinds and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 4/08/2025.

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

Carried

Date	Sent
3/12/25	FOIL response to J. Camiolo regarding department bylaws to contact the department; sent SOP's requested.

3/14/25	Updated department bylaws sent to J. Camiolo
3/20/25	Report sent to Patrick Medeiros 2024-002534 for 76 Long Pond Rd. 2024.08.15
3/21/25	Additional reports regarding 760 Long Pond to Patrick Medeiros
3/27/25	Email to Todd Mahoney directing him to Gates FD for his request
3/27/25	Legal notice sent to NY Daily record for permissive referendum Capital Construction \$273K HQ roof, TG paving
Date	Received
3/20/25	FOIL from Patrick Medeiros for report dealing with a gas leak at 760 Long Pond Rd.
3/19/25	Letter from M. Beaty to clarify billing with Empire Tractor
3/21/25	Additional requests for reports regarding 760 Long Pond from Patrick Medeiros
3/25/25	FOIL not in our district for a call in Gates? from Todd Mahoney 69 Farleigh Ave 14606

Secretary K. Dutton-Necessarily Absent

- Comm. Bedford brought up a discussion regarding placing draft minutes on the website. Continue discussion in executive with legal advice.

Treasurer/IT A. Hinds

- The board was thanked for sending him to the NY Government Finance Association annual conference and the state comptroller training in Brighton. They were very informative. We are doing things well and things are getting more expensive. The retirement system is expecting rates to go up again. The state is concerned about losing federal funding.

Administrator T. Gretzinger Necessarily Absent

Fire Chief K. Battaglia

- Working fire on Goethals on Friday evening. The house was saved due to the manpower and equipment provided.
- 1197 calls year to date with 62% EMS.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Nolan, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To send Gene Preston to the NYS Fire Police Association training conference in Kingston May 8-11, 2025, at a cost of \$457.50 this includes lodging and registration for 3 nights. The department will assist with other costs.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Nolan, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To send FF J. Champion to the Monroe County Fire Marshal's Seminar in West Webster May 20-22, 2025, with a cost not to exceed \$250.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Nolan, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To send Capt. J. Williams and Lt. J. Wiesner (representing the Monroe County RTF) to North American Active Assailant's 8th annual conference in Detroit, MI, June 3-6, 2025, with a total cost of \$1200 and the use of a district vehicle. The county will reimburse the per diem food and the hotel and conference from a grant.

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

- The county agreement for the county for pre-emption devices came in today. The chairman signed and it will be sent in.

Deputy Chief J. Lissow

- Last week we had a power failure in one of our server rack systems. Everything is running. There are 2 large battery backup CPU's we no longer need. Our electrician will be removing them.

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, to declare the attached list of items surplus. They are no longer able to be used by the district.

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

Commissioner J. Maxwell

- Station 2 windows were installed.
- Researching new lawn service contractors. Our old contract was for \$3800 this year, the lowest price that came in was \$14,000. It was suggested to use the \$8,000 set aside for lawn maintenance to buy a mower, trimmers and blowers and have the firefighters maintain the lawn again.
- Generator service contracts have been signed for stations 1 and 3.
- Racks in our server room will be removed, and they will give us an estimate to see if they are worth anything.
- Four bids were received to replace the roof at station 2.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner W. Bedford to award the station 2 roof contract to RMG at a cost of \$269,997 with an overage allowance of \$65,000 for a 20-year roof.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner J. Nolan, To award the training grounds paving contract to Pooler at a cost of \$315,250 with an overage allowance of \$65,000.

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

- Capt. Gates will coordinate the training ground paving to be finished by the end of June.
- Thanked the Chief and Capt. Gates for all their hard work on these projects.

Commissioner M. Stolte

- Health & Safety updates:
 - Updating fitness equipment at stations 1 and 2.
 - Possible cardiac monitoring system through U of R
 - Building security
 - Small Vehicle accident
 - Injury updates
 - 270 driver training

Commissioner J. Nolan

- The board was thanked for sending him to the comptroller's conference.

Commissioner W. Rickman Necessarily Absent

Chairman W. Bedford

- The Floyd vehicle was here tonight for the board to view.

Capt. J. Gates station 3 update:

- The fencing is up. Things will start moving quickly in the next few months.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, to move to an executive session to discuss matters relating to personnel hiring/firing, contracts, and to consult with our attorney at 7:05 PM.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, to return to regular session at 7:45 PM.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To authorize Atty. Ray DiRaddo to accept a subpoena from the Attorney General regarding the Morse et al v. State of New York.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner M. Stolte, 2nd by Commissioner J. Maxwell, to hire Karie O’Gara part-time in the fire prevention department at \$21.50 per hour.

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

MOTION BY Commissioner W. Bedford, 2nd by Commissioner M. Stolte, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:47 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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