

# STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

## Minutes

March 10, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Chairman Tim Powell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present were:

Tim Powell	x	Matt Gombosi	x	Stamford Fire Chief Don VanEtten	x
Lucy Chichester	x	Dusty King	x	1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief AJ Vamosy	
Ellen Kennedy	x	Peter Pioppo	x	2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief Joe Hornbeck	
		Bill Sharick	x	Stamford EMS Chief Karen Cole	x

NBT Bank's Sean Land and Lisa Jester were on the agenda for tonight's meeting, but have rescheduled to the April meeting.

The Minutes from the February meeting were read and approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Dusty – none opposed.

### **Presentation of Bills**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Ace Hardware	\$ 41.73
Adobe	\$ 863.64
Airgas USA LLC	\$ 142.87
AJ Vamosy	\$ 79.95
AT&T Mobility	\$ 236.40
Delco Creative, LLC	\$ 64.00
ESO	\$ 1,024.89
Family Pest Solutions	\$ 95.00
Fire End-Croker	\$ 691.46
Fire End-Croker	\$ 509.60
Gillie's (NAPA)	\$ 29.99
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 1,370.00
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 641.00
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 1,209.00
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 1,231.40
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 8,920.50
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 2,092.00
Josh Weitzner	\$ 79.95
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 140.95
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 99.21
Mark Powell	\$ 1,500.00
Microsoft	\$ 140.39
MP Auto	\$ 4,024.25
MP Auto	\$ 741.49
NYSEG	\$ 1,338.58
NYSIF Workers' Compensation	\$ 1,684.85
Ricoh USA Inc	\$ 10.96
Southwest Airlines	\$ 474.00
Sunrise Heating Fuels Inc	\$ 868.48
Waste Recovery Enterprises LLC	\$ 28.00

Wells Fargo Vendor Financial	\$	58.00
West Signs	\$	116.00
WEX Bank	\$	537.50
		<u><u>\$ 31,086.04</u></u>

Approval of bills as presented – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Dusty, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

**Treasurer’s Report** - Bank account balances as of 3/1/2026:

**Bank of Greene County Accounts**

Checking Account	\$	18,633.12
General Fund Savings	\$	21,081.28 *
Apparatus Reserve Savings	\$	513,503.22
Repair Reserve Savings	\$	42,398.89
PPE Reserve	\$	25,188.24
Grants/Loans General Savings	\$	0
NYS Funds General Savings	\$	0

- \* \$54,368 for Extrication Concepts
- \* \$60,192 for AAA Emergency Supply

Tax monies received:

- Town of Kortright - \$17,012.30
- Town of Jefferson - \$29,518.74

**Privilege of the Floor**

None.

**Reports / Requests from Fire Department Chiefs**

- Chief VanEtten –
  - No new members.
  - SFD Board of Directors discussed at their last meeting the purchase of a printer/scanner for printing department ID badges. Cost is approximately \$2K-3K for printer and software. Tim noted he is still doing research on this. Discussion to possibly share the services with other departments and Headwaters.
  - SFD Installation Dinner – invitation to those not in the department – Saturday, 6/6 at the Garden Path.
  - Discussion about six members/truck committee trip to West Palm Beach for final inspection on the new rescue. Get hotel the night before flight in Albany – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.
  - Discussion the truck committee paid for TSA pre-check to expedite airport check in – seeking reimbursement. Asking SJFD if can be reimbursed the \$80pp – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.
  - I Am Responding renewal – ESO now owns IAR. Discussion that SFD uses this service as well as majority of Delaware County departments and the 911 dispatchers. There are not many other options, we use it a lot and always encourage members to use. Discussion to do the five year contract option – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Dusty – none opposed.
  - FYI – table until the new rescue truck arrives in June. Discussion about other items to purchase and that DJ Speenburgh now works at Colden Fire Rescue. Table for discussion: Readi Rack Table – fill station for bottles - \$1248; hose dry rack (current is 40 years old) - \$998; Readi Rack Hose Cart - \$2396.
  - Pike poles are also needed – FDNY style – 6’, 8’, 10’
    - Har-Rob - \$150 / \$166 / \$195
    - Colden - \$116 / \$150 / \$177
    - Discussion that Har-Rob poles have several different tool options at other end of pole. Discussion to review current inventory to determine needs + there would be S/H fees.

- Discussion about Village Planning Board meeting to occur tomorrow night re: the Delaware Inn building. Discussion about possibly drafting a letter re: burden on fire and EMS services + we already support 125 Main Street, Robinson Terrace, Buntline locations. Discussion not prepare a letter but if someone were to attend the meeting, to observe the discussions and future planning.
- Karen –
  - Purchase of I-Gel (out of date) and collars (none in fort) - \$156.32. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Dusty, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Matt – none opposed.
- Mark Fallon –
  - CPR cards (\$20 x 10) for upcoming class, \$475 for new CPR program = \$700. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed. For SFD members, Mark can purchase cards as needed so not waiting for next SJFD for approvals – 1<sup>st</sup> motion Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion Dusty – none opposed.

### **Old Business**

- None.

### **New Business**

- NERIS data entry assistant Liz Page – work with Bill and Joe Keyser about how will work best. \$25/hour and up to five hours per week. Would be a 1099 employee. Discussion about keeping a timesheet for documentation. Lucy will work with Liz about payment schedule. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Dusty – none opposed.

### **Commissioner Reports / Discussion**

- Dusty –
  - Nothing much to report. Fixed the clocks for DST and will fix receptacles by where the gear racks are.
- Peter –
  - Nothing much to report. 2712 is repaired including the light towers.
- Bill –
  - Working with CJ at Level Up about a new laptop
  - Noted he spoke with Adam Gallagher about Excel program to assist with inventory process.
  - Re: the five airpacks going to Josh Choquette/Bovina – Bill will get to him.
- Matt –
  - Noted the appraiser he spoke about is out of town until June. Discussion that the entire building, trucks, assets should all be documented and we would be interested in this service.

The Stamford Joint Fire District Board of Directors went into Executive Session at 9:00pm to discuss personnel matters and returned to regular session 9:15pm.

- The Commissioners agreed with proposal on next steps discussed – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Dusty – none opposed.
- Tim –
  - The VFIRE grant application is due in four days for engineers to come in for a project. Discussion to table capital projects at this time.
  - New rescue truck is coming without a Kussmaul on board – will add to list for next year.

### **Other Business**

None.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20p.m.

Respectfully,  
Ellen Kennedy  
District Secretary