

**Draft Minutes.
Subject to Board Review,
Amendment and Approval**

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Pleasantville Fire District
January 21, 2025

MINUTES of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasantville Fire District held on January 21, 2025 in the Meeting Room, Pleasantville Fire Headquarters, 75 Washington Avenue, Pleasantville, New York at 7:30PM pursuant to prior notice.

Attending: Commissioners M. Rufino, M. Colmenares, C. Onuma and T. Trudo. Attorney McCarthy, Secretary-Treasurer T. Langan, Chief Scopino. Commissioner Cullen was absent and excused.

Approval of Minutes: The Chairman stated that the Commissioners had received copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 17, 2024 and the Organizational Meeting held on January 7, 2025 and inquired as to the approval or disapproval of the minutes.

On a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Onuma, and unanimously carried, the minutes of all of the above meetings were approved as written.

The Secretary-Treasurer had earlier distributed his printed report consisting of the following statements as of December 31, 2024: Statements of Receipts and Disbursements; Cash on Hand and in Banks; General Fund Reconciliation; List of Outstanding Checks; Apparatus Reserve and Repair Fund; and, Property and Construction Fund.

1. Year-end 2024 accruals amounted to \$46,674.17 and almost all were paid this month.
2. The largest disbursement this month is the Village hydrant rent.
3. He added a further bill from Riverview for plowing and salting for \$735 to the voucher package previously circulated.
4. The last year of the current Village Hydrant Contract will begin on June 1, 2025. The Town Contracts expire December 31, 2029.
5. A revised Annual Financial Report was circulated as was a revised Budget Adjustment worksheet.

Commissioner Colmenares moved that the Budget be conformed to Actual as presented in the Budget Adjustment worksheet. Commissioner Trudo seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Chief's Agenda:

1. Chief Scopino had no completed applications this month.
2. He announced the resignations of Brendan Cooper, Carlos DeJesus and Matt Stargarone.
3. Work on Engine 90 and Rescue 47 will be done at Headquarters in the coming week.

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4. There have been some email issues relating to bulk emails being worked on.
5. A defensive driving course is available for \$45 per person, with a minimum of 12 participants. On a motion by Commissioner Onuma, seconded by Commissioner Colmenares and unanimously carried, participation was approved for members and significant others.
6. Inter-state Diagnostics will be on-site for physicals on Sunday, August 17, 2025.
7. Fail-Safe will do the hose testing again; he is waiting on scheduling.
8. The definition of “good standing” needs to be finalized. Six individuals are still not in compliance with drill requirements for 2024.
9. He inquired about the breadth of coverage. The Chairman will contact the broker.
10. He asked about Lift calls. After a discussion, a letter will be written confirming District policy that the Department will respond to lift assistance calls when initiated by EMS and when EMS is on the scene.
11. He inquired about points for the President and Vice President of the Fire Company noting that the secretary and treasurer receive 15 points each. The sense of the Board was that the President and Vice President should receive what they received in 2023.

Apparatus:

1. Commissioner Colmenares reported that marker lights on the Tower Ladder 5 bucket were damaged at a mutual aid call and are being repaired by Andy Foca.
2. As reported by the Chief, Firematic is coming to Headquarters to address items on Engine 91 and Rescue 47. Notably, on the Engine, the deck gun does not swivel 360 degrees but only from “12” to “4” positions or about 120 degrees.
3. Officers assigned to specific apparatus should see that the vehicles are hosed down as needed.
4. All other vehicles are in working order.

Facilities:

1. Commissioner Onuma presented the final schematics for the kitchen renovation along with a time line for the availability of drawings. After a discussion, it was determined that a Notice to Bidders will be published to announce that drawings and bidding documents will be available on January 27, bids will be opened at the regular meeting of February 18, there will be a walkthrough on February 7, and the contract will be awarded on February 24. Another

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notice will have to be published to convene a special meeting for February 24 and to cancel the work session of February 11. [Secretary's Note: the Notice to Bidders will be published on January 26, 2025 and the meeting notice on January 29, 2025.]

Insurance and LOSAP:

1. Chairman Rufino noted that the Chief will be sending a final 2024 Report to him when the comment period ends.
2. Paperwork for Doug Schmidt is in process; the last piece of paperwork for Ken Wagner has been signed.

Membership, Grants, Etc.

1. Commissioner Trudo had nothing to report; there was no meeting in December.

There being no further business and on a motion by Commissioner Colmenares, seconded by Commissioner Onuma the Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Langan
Fire District Secretary-Treasurer