

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
MONTHLY MEETING SEPTEMBER**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the Pleasant Valley Fire Station #1, 1619 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by C/JA with a salute to the flag.

Commissioners present:           C/ALBRECHT  
  C/GEERLINGS  
  C/JOHNSON  
  C/LAWLOR - Absent  
  C/CADY  
  T/SAUER  
  S/BROAS

**Minutes from the Previous Meeting** – Motion by C/WG seconded by C/EJ to approve the minutes from August 2025. Passed by all.

**Open Meeting to the Public**

None

**Close Meeting to the Public**

None

**Communications:**

- Fire District Affairs
- Copies of insurance payments from VFIS for repairs
- Letter regarding District Memorial Service on October 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Copy of information from NYS retirement system
- VFIS payment documents
- Medical note

## **Membership - None**

### **Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:**

Change order for the new tanker \$1732.00 needs to be approved

October 2<sup>nd</sup> the new 56-1 is scheduled for graphics

## **Monthly Maintenance Report - Presented**

### **Buildings & Grounds – Station #1**

- NAPA building demolition is done. There is a cone over the septic tank. Will try to get the hole filled in by the weekend.
- The holes are still around the drains; can we get dirt around them.
- The antenna extension has been done for the ambulance, any feedback?
- Will look at the glass doors again
- The exterminator was here again
- Station 1 members would like to have the ready room flooring put in the budget for 2026.
- Urinal still is not working and that is a bigger job than just calling a plumber.

### **Building & Grounds – Station #2:**

- The front door has been delivered; we will get it in the schedule to get it done.
- Pike pole issue, discussed the situation and what happened

### **Insurance Committee:**

- \$5200.25 was reimbursed for vehicle claims

### **Service Award Committee:**

- New program is up and running and the report has been changed to what we requested. So, it should be easier for the membership to read and understand.

**Policies:**

- Election Policy: C/JA made a motion that the policy be approved it was seconded by C/WG and all present approved.
- New member interview policy needs to be reviewed in more detail. There are changes that need to be made. It is a start in progress, and we will go over it at the workshop so we can get it finalized. We have people waiting to move forward.

**Safety: No report**

**Officer's Reports – District Chief Cronk reported the following:**

- As chief of the Department, I am requesting that the Board be at the Memorial Service, it is also the same week as the Commissioners Seminar
- Parade season has come to an end except PV Weekend
- 9/24 we will be doing a joint training night in Millbrook
- Thank the Board for the training opportunities at the Napa Building. It was a great experience for the members. We had a great team of trainers
- 56-24 will be going to Hyde Park Thursday night
- Mill Pump is a work in process.
- Any update on the cell tower? We can get a waterproof container to put our equipment in. How are we going to get AC power? Can we have a conversation with the County regarding the tower at the Scout Camp? We need to do something, winter is coming. Do we have any information on the FCC channel? C/WG will touch base with DP/Harmuth on this? We will investigate the Scout Camp and see
- 944 calls at the end of August and LODD 54
- I need executive session
- C/WG asked if we had gotten back the EMS badges from Jacob Gates and Samantha Synder? I will contact them directly myself right now.

1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief –AC/Broas reported the following:

- Any FCC Update?
- Do we have access to the tower
- REDNMX is still being built and worked on.
- Turn our gear and boots into 8 sets it will cost \$43,884.80. It has not been announced if it will be a 4% or 6% discount effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. Discussion on female cut gear. It was explained that all gear manufactures have a female cut.
- 56-11 will cost \$15,325.21 for Del Hatt to do the front axle bushing. It is safe to drive right now. How do the cylinders look? I was told they looked good.
- 2025 wish list items have been received. I am working on quotes right now. Can I spend \$15,000 on list items? Get spreadsheets together, so that we know what we are getting purchased.
- Old 56-3 lettering has been removed. I'll reach out to a few districts I know might be looking for a car.
- LENS report? We are going to switch the email to a group email it will only be allowed on email right now.
- Any update on the holes around the storm drains out front?
- The 56-2 deer estimate accident from February has it been approved to get the work done? Yes, go ahead and schedule it after 56-3's vehicle is fixed
- Any update on getting plymovent serviced? Yes, we will get it serviced.

2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief –AC/Luby reported the following:

- Absent

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- 9/24 joint drill with Millbrook, will probably involve smoke machine
- 3 members going to West Clinton for Fire Police
- 2 finished the daytime boot camp in August
- Thank you for the Napa building use.
- Last 2 weeks of October will be pump ops in house.
- PFF Simoni started the academy today, he will be driving down with City of Poughkeepsie, we will purchase gas a few weeks
- 10/1 Netherwood, 10/9 TRS, 10/10 WRS. Netherwood has a new principal, and she is doing more of a safety day than just fire safety.
- We have been asked but it looks like 9/12 55 will be going to New Hackensack for training and one-night next week.
- There is a big pile of wood out back that we will be cutting down for the door prop. That has cost the district nothing for wood. We have been able to cut wood
- 3 to 4 will be going to Suffolk Fire Police training
- Please send the workplace violence out again, I will get it out ASAP

**Purchasing Approvals:**

1. Rack for Station 1 (will be reimbursed)	\$119.99
2. Replacement LED bulbs	\$150.00
3. GFCI pigtails	\$231.32
4. Cleaning supplies	\$468.79
5. EMS supplies and cleaning supplies	\$133.77
6. Dell Sonic Wall 2 yr renewal	\$657.74
7. Window envelopes	\$102.80
8. Electrical supplies 1922 Firehouse	\$129.03
9. Water pallets	\$749.49
10. Bucket and Trolley for station 2	\$69.37
11. Batteries	\$19.95

C/JA made a motion to approve purchases it was seconded by C/WG and all approved

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for September that totaled \$54,133.22 for the general fund. Motion by C/JC seconded by C/WG to pay the bills if found correct. Passed by all.

C/JA made a motion to transfer \$1000 from general fund to HRA account it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Old computers need to be gone from Station 2. Will look at Royal Recycling, please make sure all serial numbers are turned into board
- FYI we can start submitting to the grant for the mill pump

**New Business:**

- C/JC made a motion to spend \$1000.00 on the district memorial it was seconded by C/WG and all approved
- C/JA made a motion to accept DC Grant for \$7000 for Girls in Fire it was seconded by C/JC
- C/JC made a motion to spend \$43,884.80 for gear it was seconded by C/WG and all approved
- C/JC question of an email about DP/Harmuth working on electrical stuff within the building, will we be able to put a claim in if something were to happen? We will investigate this.
- Someone pulled out in front of 56-32 Saturday when Jean was driving it down North Ave; it was witnessed by Pam Moustakas and she locked up the brakes and never hit a thing. Excellent driving skills.
- C /JC made a motion to accept the change order for the new tanker for a total of \$3745.00 it was seconded by C/JA and all were in favor.
- C/JC made a motion to approve 56-11 being fixed by Del Hatt for a total of \$15,325.21 it was seconded by C/JA, and all were in favor.

**Adjournment:** There being no other business to be brought before the Board, motion by C/JC seconded by C/WG to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person(s) or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation Passed by all. The meeting was adjourned at 2027 hours to executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2040 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/JA made a motion to adjourn in 2042 and it was seconded by C/JC, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas  
District Secretary