BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONTHLY MEETING MAY 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, May 12th, 2026, at Pleasant Valley Fire Station #1, 1619 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by C/JA with a salute to flag.

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

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/JA seconded by C/ML to approve the minutes from April 2026. Passed by all.

Open Meeting to the Public
None

Close Meeting to the Public

Communications:

- Fire District Affairs
- Payment from Absolute Auctions
- Copies of Legal Documents

Membership

- Emma Broas – Station 1
- Owen McKeever – Station 2
- Aidan Haight – Station 2
    - C/ML made a motion to accept these 3 applicants it was seconded by C/WG and all present approved

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- New tanker is in the electric stages of production
- Preliminary drawings of what the new engine would look like have been passed around
- Fire Police vehicle pushed back until Mid-June they have not taken delivery of their new vehicle

Monthly Maintenance Report – Given

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- Superior Phones had to come in and reset 635-9350 it was not working but it is up and functioning now
- Hobson Windows came in and looked at the foggy windows. They gave us a quote.
- The Dutchess Overhead door was called 56-71 overhead door, and they will go to Station 2 as well.
- The floor tiles are starting to come up and causing us a fall hazard in the hallway downstairs.
- Update on the mill pump:
    - A hydrant repair company looked at the hydrants today and will get us a price so we can get the testing done.
    - Gas will be put in on Thursday

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- The sofit was fixed on the building

Insurance Committee:

- Working on completing Beneficiary forms
- Working on the insurance claims for anything that remains open as of right now

Service Award Committee:

- No report

Policies:

- Need to start working on them again. Currently working on the Peer Support Policy

Safety:

- Need to come up with a date for the Safety Walk

Officer's Reports – District Chief Cronk reported the following

- 115 calls in the month of April
- 15 LODD
- Ossining Parade on August 7th

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

- Email has been sent to American Tower for access with no answer
- PV Fire 1 testing in progress with Illinois Mountain repeater (which would cost us $250.00 per month for a lease)
- 56-11 Body damage incident report is submitted
- 56-55 front bumper damaged. The damage from the rust will need to be fixed first
- 20 new pagers have come in
- New radios - both portables and mobiles I have been able to get the price down $10,000 with using the county pricing
- Putting together an equipment list for the new tanker
- The bay doors really need to be serviced.
- Cascade cylinders are due for hydro testing in July. We can coordinate with the relocation at the same time
- Can we have an update on the status of drone at station 1- no update
- Old Fire Police van has been stripped and is ready for the call to be made to Baroni's for recycling
- Old Chiefs vehicles take the radios out to repurpose them.
- NFPA 1970 2025 changes discussed
    - Which means 2 particulates hoods
    - Gear inspected 4 times a year by certified inspectors (myself or Andrew Murphy)
    - 2 sets of gear for every interior Firefighter
- I need executive session

2nd Assistant Chief –AC/Simoni reported the following:

- On May 3rd we had an autistic child running down Route 44, after the call FF/EMT Marshall came to me about autism kits that Anderson hands out. The kits cost $35.00 each for 2 kits and we received 1 kit for free.
- The open house went well. We had 50 people show up. We had 6 applications handed out. It was a nice participation of residents. Can only make it better each year
- ESS would like to know if they can have computer put at their cubicle, it will take care
- Discussion on the EMS week gifts
- Ambulance certification is due in June it should be submitted this week.
- Discussion about the snags found while training last night on the monitors
- On the 29th the Rescue Truck went to Glenham for Extrication class, and I found out that we a remising, we are down 2 struts right now $383.30 per tip we need 2 of them. The instructor is very upset he has followed through with the other departments that were there and they even followed up with the tow truck driver to see if they were in the car. We are unaware of the lead time, but the lead time could take up to 12 weeks. Can we check with the salesman to see if he has anything we can use as a loaner for the time being. We are OSS without these

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- Yearly training required is almost up to date. Once the physicals are updated, we will get this updated online
- Everyone should get the email to change password, it was forwarded to everyone
- We are hosting principles of instructions in June
- In September we will host extrication class and use Camp Nooteming for the hands-on portion of the class
- We have a seat for the Fall Academy in Westchester
- FF Simoni training is going well
- 5/26 car fire drill

- 5/27 Annual Med class
- Last night we did the first monitor training
- June 1-July 17 FF Simoni will start EMT class in Westchester
- Ring and Marshall dry hydrant we will be able to put a new dry hydrant in the pond
- We need to replace Smith Rd dry hydrant
- Troop K should also be moved or redone this year as well.
- We could have quite a bit of Dry Hydrant work getting done this summer
- Jason from MES came and looked at moving the cascade system for us That will be the easy part and cheap part. The valve is missing because all the work should be around $3000, we will see what can be done.
- I will not be at June meeting, I will be in Syracuse
- C/WG asked if we would have the phone work be a free repair or will we be getting a bill for it? Not sure they didn't say anything, just had me sign the paperwork.
- C/ML asked if we could add the members going to Iowa to the training list

PURCHASING APPROVALS

1.	AED pads	$108.74
2.	Life Pack CPR AED's (Sloper Grant)	$5274.71
3.	12" carbide wood blades	$240.50
4.	Hose gaskets	$42.11
5.	Flame Decon wash (Cares Up Grant)	$675.00
6.	Misc. items	$243.92
7.	Chairs for watch desk	$569.12
8.	Carry cases for monitors	$962.30
9.	Water	$662.19
10.	Stiff neck	$731.25

C/JA made a motion to purchase $7807.69 of the above it was seconded by C/WG and all approved.

Director of Purchasing Harmuth:

- FCC license: Trying to get a sit down with Mary Albrecht as the phone/texting isn't working with FCC rules for ID verification.

- Hose reel mount behind 56-55: Carao said that he'd do it.
- ARCO: Came in 4/14/26 and fixed sprinkler head. Fixed missing grid parts replaced the missing ceiling tiles. Need to replace 1 more but we still have to shut off the alarm system as the smoke head is wired into a 4" octagon box above the tile.
- Dutchess Locksmiths will come in to do the swap on the front door 5 button lockset. Need to set up the date.
- The baseboard heaters came in; Ken Elliot will install them.
- Company 1 tax exempt account done.
- Taconic mileage reference chart printed and put on sign in desk.
- Station 2:
    - Flame Decon dispensers: Need to see where they can be mounted as the rear sink is blocked.
    - The replacement monitor (TV) is here, and I'll get over there to replace it and re-program the PC to the correct URL.

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for May that totaled $42028.99 for the general fund. Motion by C/EJ seconded by C/JA to pay the bills if found correct. Passed by all.

Unfinished Business:

- C/EJ the Auxiliary had a meeting and made the changes to remove the word Ladies. The by-laws should be ready to be mailed out tomorrow to the members so we can officially change them. They need to let the fire company know that a name change has been made.
- C/JA made a motion to accept the $15400.00 payment for the 2017 Tahoe it was seconded by C/WG, and all approve
- Hallway heaters are not done yet, it was given to Kenny Elliott

New Business:

- Hobson Windows looked at them and thought 15 windows $4581.87 C/WG made the motion it was seconded by C/EJ
- Uniforms will cost $7437.03 9 new, 4 repair and 1 pair of shoes C/JA made a motion it was seconded by C/WG

- C/JA made a motion to purchase the replacement of the missing strut for $766.60 seconded by C/ML. This will be purchased from Paratec
- C/JA motion to spend $70.00 autism bags seconded C/WG
- C/WG made a motion to spend $600 on flowers for the stations it was seconded by C/ML and all approved.
- Congratulations to EMT Sauer for winning the 2026 EMT of the Year Award. The dinner and ceremony are 5/20/26 it is $25.00 for the dinner. Also, congratulations on the new granddaughter.
- 5/21 Laerdal asked if we could send 3 people for another photoshoot
- C/JA made a motion to move forward with getting quotes for sealing the driveway and stripping it, it was seconded by C/ML and all approved.

Adjournment: There being no other business to be brought before the Board, motion by C/WG seconded by C/ML 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 2040 hours to executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2055 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/ML made a motion to adjourn at 2100 hours and it was seconded by C/JA, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Broas

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