

BLOOMINGBURG JOINT FIRE DISTRICT
Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at the Bloomingburg Fire House
117 Godfrey Road, Bloomingburg, NY.

Commissioner's Present: Tom Dempsey, Larry Arnold, Russell Wood Jr, Charles Medicott, Joe Carpenter, Phil Longden, Charlie Griswold.

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Dempsey @ 6:30 p.m. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Tom Dempsey asked for any corrections to the regular meeting minutes dated February 11, 2025. Motion made by Larry Arnold 2nd by Phil Longden to accept the minutes with corrections. All in favor.

Approval of Treasurer's Report:

Last month's bills not on abstract totaled: \$7,903.97. This month's bills totaled: \$12,740.94.

Treasurer distributed fund balances for Orange Bank & Trust 01/2025 to 02/2025 for review by the BOFC. As per our NYS Office of State Comptroller corrective action plan, prior to the monthly meeting, the secretary forwarded Orange Bank & Trust bank statements and QuickBooks banks reconciliation for the general fund and money market for the general fund for period of 01/31/2025 through 02/28/2025 along with paid bills for the last month to the finance committee. Both accounts are reconciled.

The audit committee and treasurer have reconciled bank accounts.

Phil Longden made a motion 2nd by Russell Wood Jr. to pay bills, including bills that were not on bill abstract. All in favor.

Motion made by Larry Arnold 2nd by Phil Longden to accept the Treasurer's Report. All in favor.

Treasurer's Announcements:

Tonja Robbins, Treasurer stated the Town of Wallkill tax check of \$130,660.64. and the Town of Mamakating tax check of \$636,801.00 were transferred from Orange Bank & Trust General checking account into the NY Class General Account. A \$18,375.00 wire was wired out of the Orange Bank & Trust for interest on the bond.

Tonja Robbins, Treasurer
Bloomingburg Joint Fire District
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Chief's Report:

Chief Justin Arnold- Justin Arnold said that all the DEC grant items ordered came in.

First Asst. Chief Garry Call Jr.- Garry Call Jr. was not present at the meeting.

Second Asst. Chief Dillon Dunham- Dillon Durham was not present at the meeting.

Officer's Report:

Captain Andrew Medlicott- Andrew Medlicott was not present at the meeting.

First Lieutenant Charlie Griswold- Charlie Griswold had nothing to report.

Second Lieutenant Dan Hutting- Dan Hutting was not present at the meeting.

Engineer: (Joe Carpenter)- See truck maintenance

Fire Police:

Captain: Zev Karpen-Zev Karpen was not present at the meeting.

Ladies Auxiliary: President Virginia Arnold – Virginia Arnold was not present at the meeting.

President's Report: President John Korin- Larry Arnold stated that the company terminated Denise Turner.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Maintenance Committee: (Russell Wood Jr., Phil Longden)- Larry Arnold reported that 6 boxes of ceiling tiles are in and there are more leaks that he will show Russell Wood Jr.

Truck Maintenance Committee: (Joe Carpenter, Tom Dempsey)-Joe Carpenter said 62-31 is temporarily out of service. The cab lift cylinders were being replaced by Campbell. Campbell did not have the correct hydraulic fitting adapters. Campbell will have these fittings in a day or two. 62-52 batteries are dead, they are 10 years old (from 2015). We had to order the batteries through Interstate Battery in Goshen. When they come in, they will be installed into 62-52.

Truck Committee: (Larry Arnold, Joe Carpenter)- Larry Arnold spoke to Jeremy from Pierce about financing the new truck, we need to give all that information to the attorney.

Insurance/Utility/Fuel Committee: (Larry Arnold)-Larry Arnold said no fuel is needed.

LOSAP Committee: (Tom Dempsey)- Tom Dempsey reported that he should be getting LOSAP paperwork. Justin Arnold wants Tom Dempsey to ask if the company could pay to increase the amount for LOSAP. Tom Dempsey will call Sarah to find out.

Schoolhouse Committee:(Joseph Carpenter, Philip Longden, Russell Wood Jr)-Tom Dempsey wants lawyer to look at contract then send to Pioneer to sign. When we get the contract back Tonja Robbins, Treasurer will cut a check for deposit on the substation plans. Joe Carpenter thanked Russ Wood Jr. for the use of his excavator, and all the fire company members who

helped burn the brush pile out at the schoolhouse, in preparation for the upcoming construction.

Finance Committee: (Charlie Medlicott, Larry Arnold)-Charlie Medlicott reported finances are all fine.

Health & Safety Committee: (Phil Longden, Larry Arnold)-Phil Longden had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: Tom Dempsey said he will be working on website and new boilers.

NEW BUSINESS: Tonja Robbins spoke to Flo's Cleaning Service and Robbins Mowing and they both will keep their price the same for this year's contract. Motion made by Phil Longden 2nd by Larry Arnold to keep Flo's Cleaning Service for cleaning contract and Robbins Mowing for mowing contract. All in favor. Larry Arnold Anheuser Bush has a grant for canned water. Mike Robbins said that the Town of Mamakating is looking into creating a law to fine for automatic fire alarms. Tom Dempsey reported Tectonic was interested in in potential place at firehouse for tower.

Announcements and Communications:

Open Discussion:

Adjournment: Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 2nd by Charlie Griswold to adjourn meeting@6:50pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Tonja Robbins, Secretary
Bloomingburg Joint Fire District
Board of Fire Commissioners

****Next BOFC mtg. scheduled for April 8, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.****