

BLOOMINGBURG JOINT FIRE DISTRICT
Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at the Bloomingburg Fire House
117 Godfrey Road, Bloomingburg, NY.

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

Absent: Tom Dempsey

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Larry Arnold @ 6:30 p.m. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes: Vice Chairman Larry Arnold asked for any corrections to the regular meeting minutes dated July 8, 2025. Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 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: \$2,264.08 This month's bills totaled: \$4,922.96.

Treasurer distributed fund balances for Orange Bank & Trust 06/2025 to 07/2025 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 06/30/2025 through 07/31/2025 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.

Joe Carpenter made a motion 2nd by Charlie Griswold to pay bills, including bills that were not on bill abstract. All in favor.

Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 2nd by Phil Longden to accept the Treasurer's Report. All in favor.

Treasurer's Announcements:

Tonja Robbins said there was a debit to Orange Bank & Trust Regular checking account to Horse & Sulky for food for special county meeting of commissioners.

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Chief's Report:

Chief Justin Arnold- Justin Arnold reported that the first month went well with auto response for mutual aid. Justin Arnold is looking to see what gear and radios we need. Motorola has 41%

off. Paula Kay is working with Tom Dempsey with paperwork and application for grant for capital project in the amount of \$100,000.00 which could help with Station 2.

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

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

Officer's Report:

Captain Andrew Medlicott- Andrew Medlicott stated the CO meters are in.

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

Second Lieutenant Kyle Cole- Kyle Cole was not present at the meeting.

Engineer: (Joe Carpenter)-Joe Carpenter stated Jason Thatcher is qualified on 62-62 and 62-63. But Chairman Dempsey needs Jason's driver license information.

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 Kyle Robbins- Kyle Robbins was not present at the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Maintenance Committee: (Russell Wood Jr., Phil Longden)- Russell Wood Jr. contacted Superior for quote to fill cracks, stripe, and seal parking lot. Quote is \$23,500.00 and will check procurement for quotes. Larry Arnold asked if they could paint no parking in front of garage behind firehouse.

Truck Maintenance Committee: (Joe Carpenter, Tom Dempsey)- Joe Carpenter reported apparatus repairs for August 2025 meeting: 62-41 replaced amber marker light, 62-61 repaired damaged exhaust system, tailpipe struck an object and broke a joint connection was able to get exhaust joint, clamps from Napa. Charlie Griswold and Joe Carpenter were able to make repairs ourselves. 62-11: Campbell made repairs to pump shift system (lots of H2O in air system) H2O coming from Kussmaul compressor does not have a dryer. Campbell recommends installing a remote air tank bleeder valve to help remove H2O. Campbell is unable to make repairs to Kussmaul shoreline connector (current one sometimes will not engage) New one is ordered. 62-11 Campbell made repairs to brake light that was out. Campbell is investigating the electronic siren not working on 62-11. Found electronic driver portion of siren not working. Replacement ordered may have to get a new siren if parts are unavailable. 62-31 Campbell made repairs to red flashing sidelines (all of them were out). Found corroded connections, red flashing side

lights repaired because 62-31 will be going to Sullivan Co. Fire Parade. Campbell looked at several marker lights that are out and the (2) cab mounted search lights, awaiting parts.

Truck Committee: (Larry Arnold, Joe Carpenter)- Larry Arnold, Charlie Griswold and Joe Carpenter went to see and test drove brush truck at Cromner Valley, it has light tower, 2-man cab 1250 pump 550 Ford. For \$190,000.00 it is 5 or 6 years old. We do not recommend purchasing Cronomer Valley's apparatus at this time. Joe Carpenter said old 52 war wagon could be fixed or add things to it. 62-52 should be updated with new brakes, seat belts, and power steering. Discussed the possibility of locating a used brush truck or mini pumper as a replacement for 62-52. They will keep looking. Larry Arnold stated the new truck will be coming in September 2026. We get 2 visits to the plant. Larry Arnold said depending on how many people 4 or 8 at one time, Jeremy will put trip together. Jeremy said depending on how much money we put down on the truck we will receive a discount. Larry Arnold will find out and get print out regarding financing, financing rate, percent down and discount with breakdowns.

Insurance/Utility/Fuel Committee: (Larry Arnold)-Larry Arnold reported we have fuel.

LOSAP Committee: (Tom Dempsey)- Tom Dempsey was not present at the meeting.

Schoolhouse Committee:(Joseph Carpenter, Philip Longden, Russell Wood Jr)-Russell Wood Jr. spoke to Mary Grass at the Town of Mamakating and we need a few things for permit which Pioneer is tanking care of. Tonja Robbins, Secretary, will send a letter to the Town of Mamakating town board to ask for the permit fee to be waved.

Finance Committee: (Charlie Medlicott, Larry Arnold)-Charlie Medlicott had a question regarding the debit to checking account for Horse and Sulky food for meeting. Tonja Robbins will ask accountant to make sure how that should be recorded. Larry Arnold questioned purchases on Lowes card. Joe Carpenter said it was for vent fans and dehumidifier for siren tower.

Health & Safety Committee: (Phil Longden, Larry Arnold)-Phil Longden stated they had the CPR class and may get a bill for it from Port Jervis EMS.

OLD BUSINESS: Tom Dempsey was not present to report on boiler replacement or website.

NEW BUSINESS: Justin Arnold said his tires on chief vehicle have leaks and Garry Call needs all new tires. Justin Arnold and Garry Call will go to Rapid Tire for those to be done. Tonja Robbins said she spoke with Tom Dempsey, and they will begin working on the 2026 budget.

Announcements and Communications:

Open Discussion: Justin Arnold said the standpipe by Marias needs to be checked for new screen and upgrade pvc piping.

Adjournment: Motion made by Charlie Griswold 2nd by Phil Longden to adjourn meeting @ 7:29pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Tonja Robbins, Secretary
Bloomingburg Joint Fire District
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****Next BOFC mtg. scheduled for September 9, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.****