

BLOOMINGBURG JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

**Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at the Bloomingburg Fire House
117 Godfrey Road, Bloomingburg, NY.**

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

Absent: Charlie Medlicott and Phil Longden

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 September 9, 2025. Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 2nd by Charlie Griswold to accept the minutes with corrections. All in favor.

Approval of Treasurer's Report:

Last month's bills not on abstract totaled: \$2,690.23. This month's bills totaled: \$15,479.22.

Treasurer distributed fund balances for Orange Bank & Trust from 08/2025 to 09/2025 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 statements and QuickBooks banks reconciliation for the general fund and money market for the general fund for period of 08/31/2025 through 09/30/2025 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.

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

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

Treasurer's Announcements:

Tonja Robbins, Treasurer, reported there was a deposit made into the General Checking account at Orange Bank & Trust on 9/29/2025 for \$23.00 from Selective Insurance for a credit balance on account.

Tonja Robbins, Treasurer
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Chief's Report:

Chief Justin Arnold- Justin Arnold said Physicals were done on 10/2/25. He got quotes for turn out gear (need quotes) for interior and exterior. We need a few sets. Justin Arnold stated that

Paula Kay would like us to host the First Responder award ceremony on Nov. 12, 2025, at 6:00pm.

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 was not at the meeting.

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

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

Engineer: (Joe Carpenter)-Joe Carpenter reported that Phil Longden is qualified on 62-61.

Fire Police:

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

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

President's Report: President Kyle Robbins-Kyle Robbins was not at the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Maintenance Committee: (Russell Wood Jr., Phil Longden)-Charlie Griswold?? Stated the light is out on the sign and big light out on corner of building.

Truck Maintenance Committee: (Joe Carpenter, Tom Dempsey)-Joe Carpenter reported: 62-63 officer side headlight low beam out. Installed new bulb and replaced plug in part of lamp. 62-11 Campbell to be here late this week or early next week to install electronic siren. 62-61 mirror controller got caught up in m.c. cords, smoke from under dash. Disconnected controller. Campbell to look at what we need to replace it.

Truck Committee: (Larry Arnold, Joe Carpenter)-Larry Arnold had nothing new to report.

Insurance/Utility/Fuel Committee: (Larry Arnold)-Larry Arnold said we have 1,678 gallons of oil.

LOSAP Committee: (Tom Dempsey)-Tom Dempsey said he should be receiving report shortly.

Schoolhouse Committee:(Joseph Carpenter, Philip Longden, Russell Wood Jr)-Russell Wood Jr. received email with plans and will review them before sending them to the Town of Mamakating Building Department.

Finance Committee: (Charlie Medlicott, Larry Arnold)-Larry Arnold reported that everything looked good.

Health & Safety Committee: (Phil Longden, Larry Arnold)-Phil Longden was not present.

OLD BUSINESS: Tom Dempsey stated we received 3 bids for boilers and were higher than anticipated. Day Heating and Air Conditioning bid was for \$114,850.000. Their pricing for boiler replacement of just 2 boilers is \$85,000.00 and then we will not have to move hot water heaters. Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 2nd by Larry Arnold to accept Day Heating and Air Conditioning bid for boilers. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS: Tonja Robbins, Secretary said the Election Tellers for Commissioner on Dec. 9, 2025, will be Anne Haenelt, Michael Robbins, and Lisa Vhlering. Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 2nd by Joe Carpenter to accept Anne Haenelt, Michael Robbins, and Lisa Vhlering for Election Tellers. All in favor. Joe Carpenter asked about moving November's meeting from Nov. 11, 2025, Veterans Day to Nov. 13, 2025, at 6:00 pm. Everyone agreed and Tonja Robbins, Secretary will put notice on door of firehouse. There will be a Sexual Harassment class tomorrow night at the firehouse.

Announcements and Communications:

Open Discussion:

Adjournment: Motion made by Russell Wood Jr. 2nd by Larry Arnold to adjourn meeting @ 6:55 pm. All in favor.

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

****Next BOFC mtg. scheduled for November 13, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.****