

October 20th, 2026
6:00 PM

Chairman Tarantino to call to order the annual budget hearing for the East Northport Fire District.

7:00 PM

Chairman Tarantino to call to order the monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

EXPECTED ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Tarantino	District Manager Ervin	Chief of Department Cambria
Commissioner Reynolds	District Secretary Basantes	1 st Assistant Chief Hinton
Commissioner Ritchel	Senior Firehouse Attendant Senese	2 nd Assistant Chief Pastore
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.		
Commissioner Wine		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to be called to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting that was held on October 6th, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>
Robert Esposit	<i>Eff. 07/14/2026</i>
James Reichert	<i>Eff. 07/29/2026</i>
Steven Lauschus	<i>Eff. 08/12/2026</i>
Andrew Ritchel	<i>Eff. 09/09/2026</i>

CHIEFS REQUESTS

Request to have a Toys for Tots bin placed in the lobby of Headquarters.

Request to provide the Ladder truck on Saturday, October 24th for the Northport Fire Department Funeral Service.

ATTORNEY

BUDGET

RESOLUTION 202610-07

Budget Resolution No. 1 – Override Real Property Tax Cap for FY2027

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioner (“Board”) of the East Northport Fire District (“District”) must adopt a proposed budget for FY2027 and estimate of fund balances in preparation for the annual fire district budget hearing and did so in preparation for the budget hearing;

WHEREAS, the Board held the annual fire district budget hearing on notice to the public on October 20th, 2026,

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the proposed budget and comments received on the proposed budget on October 20th, 2026 at said budget hearing;

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law (“GML”) § 3-C (7), the District has submitted the required information and forms necessary for calculating the tax levy to the State Comptroller;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the financial needs of the District and Fire Department for FY2027 cannot be supported by a budget that would comply with the real property tax cap established pursuant to GML § 3-C as the proposed budget for 2027 calls for a real property tax levy that will exceed the real property tax cap permitting only a 2.00% increase in said levy;

WHEREAS, GML § 3-C (5) provides as follows:

“A local government may adopt a budget that requires a tax levy that is greater than the tax levy limit for the coming fiscal year, not including any levy necessary to support the expenditures pursuant to subparagraphs (i) through (iv) of paragraph g of subdivision two of this section, only if the governing body of such local government first enacts, by a vote of sixty percent of the total voting power of such body, a local law to override such limit for such coming fiscal year only, or in the case of a district or fire district, a resolution, approved by a vote of sixty percent of the total voting power of such body, to override such limit for such fiscal year only”

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves a determination to override the real property tax cap for the FY2027 budget to permit an annual real property tax levy that will exceed the two (2.00%) percent real property tax cap and result in a final annual fire district budget in the amount of \$7,046,819.00, and;

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Tarantino	
Commissioner Reynolds	
Commissioner Ritchel	
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.	
Commissioner Wine	

RESOLUTION 202610-08

Budget Resolution No. 2 – Approve Final Budget for FY2027

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners (“Board”) of the East Northport Fire District (“District”) must adopt a proposed budget for FY2027 and estimate of fund balances in preparation for the annual fire district budget hearing and did so in preparation for the budget hearing;

WHEREAS, the Board held the annual fire district budget hearing on notice to the public on October 20th, 2026;

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the proposed budget and comments received on the proposed budget on October 20th, 2026 at said budget hearing;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the financial needs of the District and Fire Department for FY2027 cannot be supported by a budget that would comply with the real property tax cap established pursuant to General Municipal Law (“GML”) § 3-C, as the proposed budget for FY2027 calls for a real property tax levy that will exceed the real property tax cap permitting only a 2.00% increase in said tax levy;

WHEREAS, previously at this meeting this Board passed a Resolution by supermajority, pursuant to GML § 3-C (5), authorizing it to override the 2% tax levy limit for the FY2027 budget year;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby approves the final budget for the East Northport Fire District for FY2027 attached hereto and made a part hereof in the amount of \$7,046,819.00, and;

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Tarantino	
Commissioner Reynolds	
Commissioner Ritchel	
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.	
Commissioner Wine	

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin to present on his report.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

COMMUNICATION AND COMPUTERS

CORRESPONDENCE

ELECTION

HYDRANTS

INSURANCE

RESOLUTION 202610-06

Acknowledgment of Proposals Received under RFP No. ENFD2026-02 for Insurance Brokerage / Coverage

WHEREAS, at its meeting held on May 19, 2026, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the East Northport Fire District (the “District”) authorized the publication of a Request for Proposals for Insurance Brokerage / Coverage, and by Resolution 202606-01 adopted at its meeting held on June 2, 2026, approved the Legal Notice of Request for Proposals No. ENFD2026-02 (the “RFP”), which was duly published and advertised; and

WHEREAS, by notice dated July 9, 2026, the deadline for receipt of proposals under the RFP was extended to 4:00 PM prevailing time on October 19, 2026, with the public opening on October 20, 2026, and the Board of Fire Commissioners adopted Resolution 202607-01 approving the extension at its meeting held on July 14, 2026; and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP, sealed proposals were received in the District Office located at 1 Ninth Avenue, East Northport, New York, no later than 4:00 PM prevailing time on October 19, 2026, and were publicly opened and read at the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners on October 20, 2026, as shown below:

Name and Address of Proposer	Total Proposed Price
HOMETOWN INSURANCE AGENCY 5 Orville Drive, Suite 400 Bohemia, NY 11716	\$
ROBERT P. BRADY AGENCY, INC. 487 New York Avenue Huntington, NY 11743	\$

WHEREAS, no other proposals were received by the deadline; and

WHEREAS, the RFP provides that the District will select the firm that, in the Board’s determination, will meet the needs of the District at the best cost for the services provided, and the District has reserved the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any informality, and hold all proposals for thirty (30) days after opening; and

WHEREAS, the coverages are to take effect January 1, 2027;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby acknowledges receipt of the proposals listed above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposals are referred to the District Secretary, the District Manager, and Commissioner Ritchel for review and evaluation in accordance with the requirements of the RFP, including any request for additional information, clarification, or oral presentations permitted by the RFP; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, upon completion of the review and evaluation, the District Secretary, the District Manager, and Commissioner Ritchel shall present to the Board of Fire Commissioners a written

recommendation identifying the proposal that will meet the needs of the District at the best cost for the services provided, for the Board's consideration of an award at or before its meeting of November 17, 2026.

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
EAST NORTHPORT FIRE DISTRICT**

INSTALLATION DINNER

LOSAP

PERSONNEL

Request to accept the resignation of EMT – Paramedic Matthew Schwier effective October 19th, 2026.

Request to appoint Kayla Mahr as a full time EMT – Basic at a rate of \$29.70 per hour in accordance with the current Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect, pending approval from Suffolk County Civil Service.

POLICIES

TRAINING

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan is excused from tonight's meeting.

VOUCHERS

A motion to be called to accept the following vouchers

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 10/20/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	27	\$38,640.37
Reserve Fund A	1	\$73,994.00
Reserve Fund B	2	\$25,270.08
	Combined Total	\$137,904.45

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 10/20/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	6	\$23,316.02
Payroll	18	\$80,543.90
	Combined Total	\$103,859.92

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Request to authorize the Chairman to execute the East Northport Fire District Paramedic Controlled Substance Plan to take effect January 1st, 2027.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman to ask if there are any questions/ comments from the floor. If there are none, a motion to be made to close the meeting at _____ PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes
Fire District Secretary