

January 6th, 2026
7:00 PM

District Secretary Basantes called to order the Annual Organization meeting of the East Northport Fire District.

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	
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.	Senior Office Assistant Laccasaglia	
Commissioner Wine		

District Treasurer Flanagan was excused from tonight’s meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all to appoint Commissioner Tarantino as the Chairman for the year 2026.

Chairman Tarantino appointed Commissioner Reynolds as the Vice-Chairman for the year 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tarantino, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all to authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign any contracts on behalf of the Fire District, wherever such contracts are approved by at least three (3) members of the Board, at a meeting of the Board. In their absence, the Vice-Chairman is authorized to sign in their stead. In the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, Commissioner Ritchel will be authorized to sign in their stead.

ATTORNEY

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to appoint Andrew Martingale, Esq. of the firm *Quatela Chimeri, PLLC*. As the District’s general counsel for 2026 at an hourly billable rate of \$260.00 for legal services.

COMMUNICATION AND COMPUTERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all to designate the *Northport Observer* as the official newspaper of the East Northport Fire District for 2026.

INSURANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all to designate *Hometown Insurance* agency as the official insurance agent for the Fire District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all to authorize the continuation of the surety bond of the District Secretary/ Deputy Treasurer and the District Treasurer through *Hometown Insurance*.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all to appoint Scott Basantes as the *Fire District Secretary, District Custodian of Records/ Records Access Officer* for 2026, and shall be paid an hourly wage in accordance with his negotiated January 1st, 2026 – December 31st, 2026 employment contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all to appoint Scott Basantes as the *Deputy District Treasurer* for 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all to appoint Sean Flanagan as the *Fire District Treasurer* for 2026, and shall be paid a weekly salary in accordance with his negotiated January 1st, 2026 – December 31st, 2026 employment contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all to authorize the Chairman to ratify the contracts of both the *District Secretary* and the *District Treasurer*.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all to appoint *Fire District Manager* Joseph Ervin as the *Purchasing Agent* for the Fire District for 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all to authorize the following 2026 hourly pay rates for the following titles of the Fire District:

<u>EMT – Paramedic (Part- Time)</u>	<u>\$34.00</u>
<u>EMT – Basics & Firehouse Attendants (Part- Time)</u>	<u>\$24.00</u>

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to recognize that the part-time employees of the Fire District will receive the following twelve (12) Holidays:

- New Year’s Day
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- President’s Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Columbus Day
- Election Day
- Veteran’s Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Eve Day
- Christmas Day

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to appoint Jack Geffken, MD as the Medical Director for the Fire District in accordance with the agreement in place.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202601-01

Establishment of the Standard Work Day for 2026

BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District under Location Code 50860 of the New York State Local Retirement System, hereby establishes the following standard work days for elected and appointed officials, and;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District will report days worked by elected and appointed officials to the New York State Local Retirement System based on the biometric time keeping system maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body, and;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that all elected and appointed officials participating in the New York State Local Retirement System shall be District Secretary Scott Basantes and District Treasurer Sean Flanagan whose terms of office are January 1st, 2026 through December 31st, 2026, and whose standard work day shall be 8 hours per day, with the exception of the District Treasurer, whose standard work day shall be 6 hours per day.

POLICIES

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to re-affirm the following policies as they are now written:

Title	Title (Cont'd)
Cell Phone Use Policy	Physical Fitness Policy- Gym Use
Chief's Car Policy	Procurement Policy
Code of Ethics	Purchase Orders and Voucher Policy
Credit Card Policy	Protective Equipment Clothing Records Policy
Department Personnel Injury Policy	Seat Belt/ Persons Riding in District Vehicles Policy
District Car Use Policy	Sexual Harassment Policy
District Personnel Injury Review Policy	Social Media Policy
District Properties and Building Safety Inspections and Procedures	Technology Use Policy
District Vehicle Accident Review Policy	Training Guidelines
Harassment Policy	Travel, Training, and Reimbursement Policy
Hose Loading Policy	Uniform Policy
Installation Dinner Policy	Unusual Incident Reporting Policy
Internet Banking Policy	Violence in the Workplace Policy and Statement
Investment Policy	Patient Consent/ Privacy Policy

Medical Leave Policy	
Meeting Room Policy	

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to re-affirm the use of the *Local Government Schedule* (LGS-1) for the purpose of record keeping and records retention for the year 2026.

TRAINING

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present that reimbursement will be paid at the per-diem rate established by the *General Services Administration* for travel to meetings/conferences, trainings, and Firematic business of the District for 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to authorize any member of the Board to attend any meetings and/or conferences that may develop throughout the year which would be to the benefit of the Fire District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to recognize the following Firematic conferences/seminars for 2026:

Attendance for each conference to be individually decided

Conference/Seminar	Location	Date
Long Island Metro Fire/EMS Expo	Uniondale, NY	January 30 th – February 1 st
New York State Association of Fire Chiefs – Hands-On Training at the FDNY Academy	Ft. Totten, NY	Sessions To Be Announced
International Association of Fire Chiefs- Fire Rescue International	Kansas City, MO	August 12 th – August 14 th
EMS Expo	Orlando, FL	September 28 th – October 2 nd
Fire Fusion	Charleston, SC	November 5 th – November 7 th
International Association of Fire Chiefs- Symposium in the Sun	Clearwater, FL	November 12 th – November 15 th

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to continue membership and pay the annual dues for the following Associations:

- Association of Fire Districts for the State of New York [AFDSNY]
- Suffolk County Fire District Officer’s Association [SCFDOA]
- Town of Huntington Fire District Officer’s Association [TOHFDOA]
- Suffolk County Fire District Manager’s Association [SCFDMA]
- Suffolk County Association of Fire District Secretaries and Treasurers [SCFDST]
- New York Government Finance Officers Association [NYGFOA]
- Government Finance Officers Association [GFOA]

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to authorize the use of a District vehicle for all transportation to and from airports. If a driver is not available from the District, then the District shall obtain limousine service from a competitively priced vendor.

TREASURER

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to designate *ConnectOne Bank* and *NYCLASS* as the depositories for 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present that the Resolutions for *Reserve Fund A*, *Reserve Fund B*, and *Reserve Fund C* be accepted as they now stand.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to authorize *District Treasurer*, Sean Flanagan to sign checks for the year 2026 with the requirement that any checks over the amount of \$2,500 be signed by both the *District Treasurer* and the *District Secretary*, Scott Basantes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to designate *Craig, Fitzsimmons, and Meyers* as the Fire District external auditors in accordance with the existing engagement letter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to authorize the District Treasurer to pay in advance of an audit by the Board of Fire Commissioners the following claims:

- Monthly lease or rental agreements,
- Semi-annual bills to the *Suffolk County Water Authority*
for public hydrant usage within the Fire District,
- PSEG,
- National Grid,
- Cablevision/Optimum,
- Lightpath Internet Service,
- Payroll and Payroll Related Expenses,
- New York State Health Insurance Plan,
- United States Postmaster for Express Postage,
- Credit Cards
- Any other prepayments as authorized under Town Law

LOSAP

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to designate *Firefly Admin, Inc.* as the Fire District's LOSAP Administrator and *Main Street Financial Group* as the Fire District's LOSAP Investment manager for 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to continue contracts/ agreements in place with the following vendors for 2026:

VENDOR	SERVICES
Accudata Workforce Solutions	Payroll Processing
Adept Technology	Information Technology (IT) Consulting
All American Awards & Uniforms	District Uniforms
Appraisal Affiliates	Fixed Asset Inventory Reporting
ESO Solutions	Electronic Medical Records/ Patient Care Reports
Fire Rescue Medical – <i>Dr. Folan</i>	Fire District Physician
Integrated Wireless Technologies	Radio Repeater & Communication Frequencies
Koran Landscaping	District Landscaping
Larkfield Car Wash	Monthly Car Wash Plan
LDI Connect	Printer/ Copier Leasing
Microsoft 365 – Outlook, SharePoint, OneDrive	District Email & Electronic Records Repository
ProClaim	EMS Billing Provider
Professional Innovative Services	Accounting Software
Quickbooks Online	Accounting Software
SCM	Dispatching Software
TK Elevator	Elevator Maintenance
Waste Management	Solid Waste Removal

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to designate the 2026 wage rate for shared services at \$90.00 per hour and the 2026 overtime wage rate at \$135.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hold public meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the prevailing time of 7:00 PM, with the exception of July which will have one monthly meeting on the 14th at 7:00 PM, and the Annual Budget Hearing on October 20th scheduled to commence at 6:00 PM. The District Secretary is to post the schedule in conformance with the Public Officer’s Law.

COMMITTEES

Chairman Tarantino designated the following committees, with a general oversight by all Commissioners for 2026:

- Apparatus Maintenance
- Buildings and Grounds
- Hydrants
- Installation Dinner
- Insurance
- Personnel

Rules and Regulations
Communication and Computers
Budget
Elections
Vouchers
Uniforms and PPE
Firematic Equipment
Travel, Procurement, and Voucher Policy
Substance Control
Accident Review Board

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

January 6th, 2026
7:11 PM

Chairman Tarantino called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

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	
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.	Senior Office Assistant Laccesaglia	
Commissioner Wine		

District Treasurer Flanagan was excused from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 30th, 2025.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Esposit	<i>Eff. 03/04/2025</i>
Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>

Resignations:

Connor Maltese	<i>Eff. 01/05/2026</i>
Nick Biancanello	<i>Eff. 01/05/2026</i>

Chief Cambria appointed the following Safety Officer's for 2026:

<i>Safety Officer's</i>	<i>Shield</i>
Ex Chief – Bruce Gosik	SO - 211
Ex Chief – Kenneth Kutner	SO - 160
Ex Chief – Steven Macedonio	SO - 376
Ex Rescue Captain– Roger Putnam	SO - 125
FF – Anthony Farrington	SO - 350
FF – Matthew Gross, Jr.	SO - 205
FF Joseph Senese	SO - 348

Chief Cambria set the following schedule for 2026 Fire Schools:

DATE	TOPIC	TIME
Sunday, January 11 th	OSHA Refresher	0900 Hours

Sunday, February 22 nd	YAPHANK – Advanced Forcible Entry	0900 Hours
Wednesday, March 4 th	Sexual Harassment Refresher	1900 Hours
Wednesday, April 8 th	YAPHANK – Standpipe Operations	1900 Hours
Wednesday, May 6 th	YAPHANK – Flashover Simulator	1900 Hours
Wednesday, June 10 th	YAPHANK – LIRR Drill	1900 Hours
Sunday, July 12 th	YAPHANK – Low Rise Commercial Fires	0900 Hours
August	NO SCHEDULED CLASS – FAIR	-----
Wednesday, October 14 th	Active Shooter / MCI Awareness	1900 Hours
Wednesday, November 18 th	YAPHANK – Class “A” Drill	1900 Hours
December	NO SCHEDULED CLASS – HAPPY HOLIDAYS	-----

CHIEFS REQUESTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to participate in the Town of Huntington & the Suffolk County Mutual Aid agreement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to authorize the Chief to utilize whichever vehicle/ apparatus deemed appropriate for the Department’s attendance at 2026 Fire Schools & Trainings which the Department attends within Suffolk and/or Nassau County. All Department members in good standing are authorized to attend all 2026 trainings as well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to allow the Department to participate in any Firematic funeral activities and/or parades authorized by the Chief of Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to attend the Long Island Metro Fire/ EMS Expo scheduled to be held January 30th through February 1st in Uniondale, NY at a cost of \$25.00 per person. Sign-up sheet to be posted for any interested members to attend.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to host the *Suffolk County Emerald Society* for their meeting scheduled to be held on February 20th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to allow Firefighter Robert Franz to utilize 2-10-13 to attend a Firefighter II course scheduled to be held January 13th – March 10th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to allow Firefighter Robert Vagnier to obtain mileage reimbursement for an *Officer Development and Leadership* course scheduled to be held January 5th – March 24th, 2025. Mileage reimbursement will be set at the current GSA rate calculated to and from Fire Headquarters to the training site.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

The New York State Department of Health licensee have been successfully renewed.
Huntington Hospital has notified local fire departments of a possible nurses strike. Local logistics will be discussed in the event this occurs.

APPARATUS

District Manger Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Fetton lettering will be in within two weeks to letter the new Chief's vehicle.
Discussion held on a possible replacement to the current 2-10-13.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202601-04

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of a Ford Passenger Van

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$90,000.00 for the purchase of one (1) Ford Passenger Van, peripheral equipment, and any related accessories. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A, which expenditures shall not exceed \$90,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund A up to \$90,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Station No. 1 boiler specialist will be providing a proposal to do an intake fan installation.
The ramp heater repair will require further research.

The septic pump system at Headquarters have been repaired. The pumps and motors were rebuilt and an ongoing maintenance plan will be implemented for the system.

The Chief's office renovation is approaching completion.

CORRESPONDENCE

Memo received from Chief of Department, Matthew Cambria providing a list of points obtained during the 2025 calendar year by the membership of the East Northport Fire Department, in accordance with the LOSAP Point System adopted by the Fire District.

Letter received from Dr. Jack Geffken, Medical Director of the Fire District, informing the Board, in accordance with New York State requirements, of controlled substances that were utilized during the 2025 calendar year.

Email received from the *Suffolk County Fire District Officer's Association* informing the membership of their first meeting of 2026 scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 7th at the Nesconset Fire Department where they will have a representative from the New York State Governor's Office – Workers Compensation Unit and from the Nassau – Suffolk Building Trades, who will be discussing healthcare related issues affecting fire department members.

Letter received from the East Northport Fire Department's Recording Secretary advising that the membership has nominated the following candidate to the position of 1st Assistant Chief at the Annual Inspection/ Department meeting held on January 5th, 2026 and requesting a date for a special election to be held for the position of 2nd Assistant Chief, should the Board approve the nominee:

Brian Hinton	1 st Assistant Chief
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A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to accept the nomination of Brian Hinton as 1st Assistant Chief.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to have a special election on January 19th, 2026 at 8:00 PM.

INSTALLATION DINNER

The 2026 Installation Dinner will be held on May 2nd, 2026 at the *Larkfield Manor* in East Northport, NY.

LOSAP

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to re-affirm the LOSAP disclosure letters executed by the Board of Fire Commissioners in 2025 with the exception of Commissioner James Wine, who is starting his term effective January 1st, 2026 and who has executed his disclosure, dated January 6th, 2026.

A roll-call vote was held to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202501-03

Certification of LOSAP Points for 2025

WHEREAS, the Fire District is the sponsor of a Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) on behalf of the East Northport Fire Department in accordance with Article 11-A of the New York State General Municipal Law (GML);

WHEREAS, as required by GML § 219-a(2)(c), the East Northport Fire Department has submitted the attached list, certified under oath, of active members of the Fire Department, indicating those volunteers who earned at least fifty (50) points during 2025 to qualify for service credit;

WHEREAS, the certification made by the Fire Department includes a statement that the points recorded on the attached list have been tabulated in accordance with the Point System adopted by the Fire District to be in effect during calendar year 2025, and to the best of the knowledge of the Fire Department, is a true and accurate reflection of the activities performed by the active members;

WHEREAS, GML § 219-a(2)(d) requires the Board of Fire Commissioners (Board) to review and approve the attached list, then return it to the Fire Department to be posted for thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, the Board has completed its review of the attached list;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners approves the attached list of volunteer firefighters of the East Northport Fire Department and the points earned by these firefighters during calendar year 2025; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this adopted resolution and the attached list shall be returned to the Fire Department for posting for a minimum of thirty (30) days.

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

Commissioner Tarantino	AYE
Commissioner Reynolds	AYE
Commissioner Ritchel	AYE
Commissioner Kaifler	AYE
Commissioner Wine	AYE

POLICIES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the policy provided by Dr. Jack Geffken, Medical Director of the East Northport Fire District, as it pertains to the *Hamilton T1 Ventilator Protocol*.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan was excused from tonight's meeting and his report was read off.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer's report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 01/06/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	14	\$89,244.87
	Combined Total	\$89,244.87

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 01/06/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	2	\$640.00
Payroll	2	\$7,604.45
	Combined Total	\$8,244.45

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to authorize the Chairman to execute the shared services agreement – addendum’s as they pertain to the 2026 hourly wage rate for mechanical services and the 2026 overtime hourly wage rate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202601-03

Emergency Septic System Pump Contract

WHEREAS, the septic system at the East Northport Fire District headquarters has experienced a critical malfunction, creating unsafe and uncomfortable conditions for our firefighters and personnel, and;

WHEREAS, the repair of the septic pumps is essential to maintain the habitability and functionality of the firehouse, ensuring that our emergency response operations are not disrupted, and ensuring the safety of Fire District property, and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, Section 103 [4], as well as the Fire District’s Procurement Policy, the Board of Fire Commissioners may approve an emergency contract when immediate action is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of persons or property, and;

WHEREAS, *Ketcham Pump Company, Inc.* is a qualified and licensed contractor with expertise in pump system repairs, generally, and the East Northport Fire District’s pump system, specifically, and has provided a proposal to repair the headquarters septic pump system, and;

WHEREAS, the cost of the emergency contract is estimated to be \$23,135.00, which falls below the competitive bidding threshold, and;

WHEREAS, the Fire District has determined that it is in the best interest of the public to enter into an emergency contract with *Ketcham Pump Company, Inc.* to promptly address the heating system issue,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that:

- The Board of Fire Commissioners was promptly notified by District Manager, Joseph Ervin on December 17th, 2025 of the critical septic pump system malfunction.
- The Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the septic pump system malfunction at the District's headquarters to be an emergency, and authorizes the District Manager, Joseph Ervin, to execute an emergency contract with *Ketcham Pump Company, Inc.* to perform the necessary repairs to the septic pump system.
- The total estimated cost of the emergency contract shall not exceed \$23,135.00.
- The District Manager is authorized to take any necessary actions to expedite the execution of the contract and the immediate commencement of repair work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 7:45 PM to discuss Personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 8:35 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

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Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.		
Commissioner Wine		

District Treasurer Flanagan was excused from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to approve the minutes of the Organizational Meeting & the Regular Meeting held on January 6th, 2026.

APPOINTMENT OF A VICE – CHAIRMAN

Chairman Tarantino spoke on the historical process that has taken place within the Fire District to designate a Vice-Chairman at the yearly Organizational meeting. It was discovered that this process does not follow Town Law and as such, a motion was made by Commissioner Tarantino, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to appoint Commissioner Reynolds as Vice- Chairman for the year 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

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Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>

Chief Cambria advised the Board on the following:

The *2025 LOSAP Delinquency* letters were mailed out on January 5th, 2026 to those members who did not make their points.

One appeal was received regarding the 2025 LOSAP points. An investigation was completed and the appeal was denied.

The *Exterior Firefighter Status* letters were mailed out on January 16th, 2026 to (13) members whose status was changed for 2026. Each member was provided with a copy of the JDIII and JDIV Job Descriptions.

The Fire Police – Peace Officer registry with the *NYS Division of Criminal Justice* was updated to reflect all certified members. Ten (10) members have been added and their applications were mailed out to the State for processing.

The Fire Police Association was notified of the above updates as well to reflect changes and additions for 2026.

Chief Cambria also thanked the District for the newly renovated Chief's office.

CHIEFS REQUESTS

A motion was made by Commissioner, Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, abstained by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by those remaining to purchase (15) fifteen tickets for members to attend the *Street Smart – Back to the Basics* training seminar hosted by the Centerport Fire Department, scheduled to be held on Tuesday, February 10th at 6:00 PM at a pre-sale cost of \$50.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to host the *Huntington – Smithtown Fire Police Association* for their May meeting scheduled to be held on May 13th, 2026. Dinner to be served at 7:00 PM, with the meeting to follow.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to allow the Department to utilize the meeting room on February 8th, 2026 for the Department's Superbowl Fundraiser.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

The District's Maintenance Mechanic will be starting the *Eaton's Neck Fire District – Shared Services* project soon.

Key Capture Energy would like to meet with the Board to discuss their proposal to build a battery storage facility within the Fire District. The meeting was set for Tuesday, February 3rd at 5:30 PM.

In 2025, our District EMS billing service billed a total of \$3M and thus far has received \$1.8m in payments, with additional coming.

NYS Governor Hochul is pushing on the implementation of a Volunteer Firefighter Stipend program and the concept of County Fire Departments.

A discussion was held on the utilization of Shared Services for emergency vehicle upfitting that is currently being explored in local Fire Districts.

A discussion was held on the *Volunteer Firefighter Infrastructure Grant* that is now available. District Manager Ervin would like to apply for the purpose of buying gear dryers for all three stations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to move forward with the Grant application.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Stryker is continuing to work on the stretcher/pram issues and will have technicians come in to further look into these issues.

Firematic will be repairing the paint chip that exists under the driver side window of Ladder 2-10-2 and all work will be covered under warranty.

The striping and lettering of the new Chief's vehicle will be completed within the coming days.

A discussion was held on Engine 2-10-6. The engine is currently appraised at \$200,000.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to trade in the engine to *Firematic*.

A discussion was held on the Ford Van 2-10-13. The van is currently appraised at \$13,000.00 and an offer has been received at \$13,000.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to sell the van at a price of \$13,000.00. As the offer was received from a private, non-agency affiliated buyer, an emergency red light letter will be drafted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (8) *Altair* 24-month CO meters for the ambulances and responder vehicles as required under Part 800 compliance standards from *Firematic Supply* at a cost of \$264.60 per unit for a total cost of \$2,116.80. A second price was obtained from *The Fire Store* at a cost of \$610.85.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire *Schufire LLC dBa Waterway Weigh Services* to weigh all fire trucks, ambulances, and responder vehicles as required under NFPA standards for a total cost of \$1,080.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase a *LifePak 1000 AED* for the 2-10-32 vehicle from *Stryker* at a cost of \$2,979.93. A second price was obtained from *American AED Store* for \$3,701.00. This will be a Reserve Fund A expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202506-02 for the "Purchase & Outfitting of a New Chiefs Vehicle".

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase (3) *Motorola XPR550E* UHF model mobile radios with all accessories needed and a 5-year warranty from *Integrated Wireless Technologies* at a cost of \$1,294.59 per set up for a total cost of \$3,883.79 on NYS Contract No. PT68722. These radios will be installed on Engine 2-10-1, Engine 2-10-6, and manpower vehicle 2-10-13. This will be a Reserve Fund C expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202503-01 for "Radio Upgrades".

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase (2) *Motorola APX6000XE* 800 model portable radios with all needed accessories and a 5-year warranty from *Motorola Solutions* for \$6,594.12 per set up for a total cost of \$13,188.24 on NYS OGS Contract No. 21562 – PT68722. These radios will be installed on Ladder 2-10-2 and Brush Truck 2-10-7. This will be a Reserve Fund C expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202503-01 for "Radio Upgrades".

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (3) *Motorola APX4500* 800 model mobile radios with all needed accessories and a 5-year warranty from *Motorola Solutions* for \$4,158.25 per set up for a total cost of \$12,474.75 on NYS OGS

Contract No. 21562 – PT68722. These radios will be installed on Engine 2-10-1, Engine 2-10-6, and Brush Truck 2-10-7. This will be a Reserve Fund C expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202503-01 for “Radio Upgrades”.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase (1) *LUCAS 3 v3.1* CPR device with all needed accessories with a 4-year warranty from *Stryker Medical* at a cost of \$21,657.13 for the device and \$5,926.40 for the warranty with a trade in on the current *LifePak 15* valued at \$6,000.00 for a total transaction cost of \$21,583.30. A second price was obtained from *AED Superstore* for \$21,338.00 and a third from *Axiom Medical* for \$33,034.99 – both quotes did not provide a warranty.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (1) *2025 Ford Transit Passenger Van* from *Metro Ford Sales, Inc.* of Schenectady, NY with a conversion package at a cost of \$78,253.00 under NYS Contract No. OGS23166 – PC68988 10 # 1000006901 as approved under Permissive Referendum No. 202601-04.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire *U.S. Fire Services* for the purpose of completed hose testing on all apparatus at a cost of \$4,531.54 under a sole-source purchase as this is the only vendor that can provide this service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202601-05

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of Lucas CPR Device

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$25,000.00 for the purchase of one (1) *Lucas 3* CPR device and any related accessories. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A, which expenditures shall not exceed \$25,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund A up to \$25,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The Chief’s office renovation is concluding within the next coming days.

A walkaround of Station No. 1 and the Headquarters Lobby / Memorial area will be scheduled to go over proposed plans.

A discussion was held on the proposal provided by the *Alden Group* as it pertains to the Station No. 1 boiler repair work. A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire the *Alden Group*.

A discussion was held on the proposal provided by the *Phillip Lanza Consulting Group* as it pertains to the Station No. 1 boiler repair work. A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire the *Phillip Lanza Consulting Group*.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter received from the East Northport Fire Department's Recording Secretary, Roger Putnam advising the Board of Fire Commissioners that at the Department's special election held on January 19th, 2026, the Department nominated the following candidate to the following position:

Vincent Pastore | **2nd Assistant Chief**

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the nomination of Vincent Pastore.

Chairman Tarantino administered the oath for 2nd Assistant Chief, Vincent Pastore.

Email received from *McNeil & Co.* advising that effective January 1st, 2026, New York State is requiring all government agencies and districts to implement an annual cyber-security awareness training for all personnel who handle computers or tablets in order to remain compliant with the provisions under this law.

Email received from *McNeil & Co.* advising that several *Beyond the Sirens* training seminars will be held during the month of January on Long Island which will go over recommended approaches to apparatus response during emergencies to reduce vehicle accidents and insurance costs.

Email received from *Suffolk County FRES* advising of a *Bulk Energy Storage Solutions* webinar that is scheduled to be held on January 21st, 2026 from 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM.

Email received from the *Town of Huntington Fire District Officer's Association* advising of their first regular meeting of 2026 and annual election of Association officers scheduled to be held Thursday, January 22nd, 2026 at the Commack Fire Department with a start time of 7:30 PM.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire Robert Spencer as a part-time Firehouse Attendant at a rate of \$24.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to appoint Steven Montalto, EMT-P as the Fire District's Primary Narcotics Agent with the New York State Department of Health.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to appoint Alexa Rosenberg, EMT-P as the Fire District’s Alternate Narcotics Agent with the New York State Department of Health.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to implement the assignment of required yearly trainings/refreshers via McNeil & Co. eLearning platform for all employees.

POLICIES

A discussion was held on the current uniform policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to amend the uniform policy to reflect that all Ex- Commissioners and Current Commissioners will have no gold hardware that states “Commissioner”. Ex-Commissioners will have the option of wearing gold in the event of their passing, at their wake or burial. A notification will be formally made to all Ex-Commissioners of this change.

TREASURER

A motion was made by Commissioner Wine, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer’s report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 01/20/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	26	\$69,965.51
Reserve Fund B	3	\$10,067.28
	Combined Total	\$80,032.79

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 01/20/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	7	\$13,542.49
Payroll	18	\$50,076.94
	Combined Total	\$63,619.43

NEW BUSINESS

District Secretary Basantes advised the Board of an update to the E-record filing system that will take place this year regarding compliance standards from the NYS Archives.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (1) ticket that will allow entry for two to the *Suffolk County Fire District Officer’s*

Association Annual Installation Brunch scheduled to be held on Sunday, March 8th 2026 at the East Wind in Wading River from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at a cost of \$250.00. District Secretary Basantes and Senior Office Assistant Laccasaglia will be attending.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to authorize the Chairman to execute the *Fire District Ambulance Services Agreement* received from Suffolk County – Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services with a term of January 1st, 2026 – December 31st, 2030.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to authorize the Chairman to execute the *Eaton’s Neck Fire District – Shared Services Agreement, Addendum No. 1* regarding the hourly rate increase for 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase a banner not to exceed \$1,000.00 to honor those members who will reach 50-years of service in 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202501-06

Closure of Permissive Referendum- Computer & Equipment Upgrades

WHEREAS, on August 27th,2024 the Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of adopting a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$200,000.00 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “upgrading the District’s operating software, the District’s computers and equipment, and associated peripherals”; and

WHEREAS, all funds authorized by the Permissive Referendum have been expended, or are no longer needed for the herein stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the Permissive Referendum adopted on August 27th,2024 pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$200,000.00 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “upgrading the District’s operating software, the District’s computers and equipment, and associated peripherals”; closed, with no further expenditures to be made against it.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to declare the following equipment as surplus with no use or value to the Fire District. The Fire District Manager is requested to dispose of such equipment if not already done so:

Inventory No.	Description	Value at Purchase	Out of Service	Comments
007890	Voicemail Computer	\$0.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
008497	Lifepak 15 Battery	\$0.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
000861	Tool Box	\$20.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
000862	Flare Box	\$20.00	01/18/2026	Disposed

002779	Motorola Remote Speaker Mic	\$54.38	01/13/2026	Disposed
007523	Press Water Extinguisher	\$60.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
000849	Do Not Enter Signs	\$96.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000803	First Aid Kit	\$100.00	01/18/2026	Removed from service
002765	Motorola Charger	\$100.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
002768	Motorola Charger	\$100.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
002756	Motorola Charger	\$100.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
000804	Oxygen Unit	\$102.00	01/18/2026	Removed from service
000801	Stop/Slow Signs	\$114.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000819	Stanchion	\$155.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000809	Barricade	\$200.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000813	Barricade	\$200.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000810	Barricade	\$200.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000814	Barricade	\$200.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000859	Streamlite Vulcan & Charger	\$200.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000860	Streamlite Vulcan & Charger	\$200.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000808	36" Road Cones	\$220.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
000847	Directional Arrows	\$224.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000848	Slow Signs	\$253.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
005267	Motorola Vehicle Charger	\$270.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
000817	Folding Directional Signs	\$300.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
005851	Zoll Monitor Transmitter	\$300.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
002543	Light Stick Controls	\$380.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000865	Fire Police Helmets	\$440.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
005305	Radalert 100 Radiation Monitor	\$460.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
002310	Motorola CDM1250 Radio	\$522.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
000673	Foam Eductor w 5 Foam Gallons	\$586.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
005611	Motorola HT1250 Portable Radio	\$600.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
005115	HT1250 Portable Radio	\$668.50	01/13/2026	Disposed
005117	HT1250 Portable Radio	\$668.50	01/13/2026	Disposed
002223	Motorola HT1250 Portable Radio	\$685.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
000807	24" Road Cones	\$703.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
002736	Motorola HT1250 Portable Radio	\$716.25	01/13/2026	Disposed
002766	Motorola HT1250 Portable Radio	\$716.25	01/13/2026	Disposed
002760	Motorola HT1250 Portable Radio	\$716.25	01/13/2026	Disposed
002763	Motorola HT1250 Radio	\$716.25	01/13/2026	Disposed
000795	Motorola Radio	\$795.00	01/18/2026	Left in truck when sold
008293	Lenovo Desktop Computer	\$800.00	01/13/2026	Disposed
005474	Motorola HT1250	\$882.75	01/13/2026	Disposed
005472	Motorola HT750 Portable Radio	\$899.98	01/13/2026	Disposed
005471	Motorola HT750	\$899.98	01/13/2026	Disposed
005470	Motorola HT750	\$899.98	01/13/2026	Disposed
002944	Hurst Attachment Kit	\$909.67	01/18/2026	Disposed
008062	Dell OptiPlex 2020	\$1,000.00	01/13/2026	Disposed

000265	Portable Deck Gun Stand	\$1,200.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
000863	Assorted Turnout Gear	\$1,500.00	01/18/2026	Disposed
008059	HP Z420 MCC 5500 Computer	\$5,000.00	01/13/2026	Disposed

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 8:01 PM to discuss Personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 8:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

February 3rd, 2026
5:30 PM

Chairman Tarantino called to order the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners with Key Capture Energy Group.

7:00 PM

Chairman Tarantino called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

ATTENDANCE:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 20th, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Esposit	<i>Eff. 03/04/2025</i>
Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>

Active Status:

Eric Siesener	<i>Eff. 02/02/2026</i>
Jessica Ehrlich	<i>Eff. 02/02/2026</i>

Chief Cambria advised the Board on the following:

A LOSAP appeal was received from Member, Robert Sagistano. An investigation was conducted and the appeal was ultimately denied.

Twelve-month reviews were completed for Probationary Members Meghan Smith, Eric Siesener, Andrew Reid, and Jessica Ehrlich.

The 2026 Active Chief's information was sent to the *Fire Chiefs Council of Suffolk County*.

Elected positions for 2026 have been added to SCM.

Fire Police paperwork was filled out and resubmitted to New York State.

A Stand-By request was received by *Brentwood Legion Ambulance* for February 21st from 6:00 PM to 12:00 AM.

CHIEFS REQUESTS

Chief Cambria requested to amend the certified LOSAP points for 2026 to reflect that Member William Reynolds, after the submission of an appeal, and completion of an investigation, was entitled to two additional points for attendance at a November work detail and the October Fund Drive mailout giving him the required 50-points.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, abstained to by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by those remaining to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202602-01

Awarding of LOSAP Points for Member William Reynolds – Following An Appeal

WHEREAS, the Chief of Department has received an appeal from Department member William Reynolds dated January 22nd, 2026 regarding his total awarded points issued during the 2025 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Department has completed an investigation into the appeal and determined that the Member was entitled to (2) two additional points for his attendance and participation at:

- Fund Drive mail out dated October 23rd, 2025 and,
- Work Detail dated November 3rd, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Chief of Department formally requests to the Board that the Member be awarded the (2) additional points he is entitled to, bringing his total awarded points for 2025 to (50) fifty.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners approves the request from the Chief of Department to award the Member, William Reynolds his additional points that he was found to be entitled to for the year 2025.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

The recent significant snow event resulted in overtime hours for the staff. The staff did a great job at removing the snow and ensuring the District properties' were safe.

The District's Narcotics officers have been officially switched. ALS providers will be signing an acknowledgement for the new Narcotics plan for their personnel file.

A discussion was held on a fire hydrant – snow removal plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, nayed by Commissioner Ritchel, nayed by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by Commissioner Tarantino to hire part time laborers at a rate of \$24 per hour to clean hydrants within the Fire District's high occupancy/ risk areas.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Stryker has sent over engineers to examine the issues with the prams and stretchers. They are currently looking into solutions for those issues.

A discussion was held on purchasing a forklift trailer. District Manager Ervin was requested to obtain pricing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase a *LifePak* 1000 AED for the Medic truck from *Stryker* at a cost of \$2,979.93. A second price was obtained from *American AED* store for \$3,701.00

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The Station No. 1 locking mechanism on the entrance door has been fixed.

Station No. 1 currently has a frozen inaccessible door. Will be looking into the cause and solutions to address this.

Station No. 1's heat is currently working, however due to the glass surrounding, heat retention is minimized.

The fuel pump upgrades at Headquarters are now complete. NYS is now requiring a prevailing wage - *Department of Labor* registration number that is good for one year.

COMMUNICATION AND COMPUTERS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The informational displays at each station have been installed and are currently in service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase a laptop for Second Assistant Chief Pastore.

POLICIES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the amended *Uniform Policy* as discussed at the last Board meeting.

TREASURER

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer's report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 02/03/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	31	\$35,596.65
Reserve Fund A	1	\$1,900.00
Reserve Fund B	2	\$5,095.00
	Combined Total	\$42,591.65

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 02/03/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	13	\$16,524.50
Payroll	20	\$82,114.22
	Combined Total	\$98,638.72

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Kaifler congratulated 2nd Assistant Chief Pastore on being nominated and elected to his new position. He apologized for the delay on his vehicle as it was unknown when the position would have been filled.

A discussion was held on the *Bailout - Train the Trainer* course.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to declare the following equipment as surplus with no use or value to the Fire District. The Fire District Manager is requested to dispose of such equipment if not already done so.

Inventory No.	Description	Value at Purchase	Out of Service	Comments
008081	LifePak 15	\$32,038.92	See Comments	Traded in to <i>Stryker Medical</i> towards the purchase of the new Lucas 3 device
005632	LG TV Monitor	\$500.00	02/03/2026	Disposed of

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 7:39 PM to discuss personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 8:12 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

February 17th, 2026
7:00 PM

Chairman Tarantino called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Commissioner Reynolds and 2nd Assistant Chief Pastore were excused from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 3rd, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Esposit	<i>Eff. 03/04/2025</i>
Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>

Chief Cambria advised the Board of the following:

- The proposed guest list for the 2026 Installation Dinner has been updated and available for review.
- The District Uniform Policy change notification letters have been saved to each recipient's file.
- The Accident Review Board will be conducted for Ex- Chief Kaifler's accident on Ladder 2-10-2.

CHIEFS REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to attend/send three teams to the *19th Annual Northport Fire Department – Chuck Varese Extrication Tournament* scheduled to be held on May 9th at a cost of \$400.00 per team.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to attend/send one team to the *5 Year and Under Competition* at the Huntington Fire Department scheduled to be held on June 6th at a cost of \$300.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase Class A uniforms for the following members at an approximate cost of \$485.00:

- 2nd Assistant Chief Pastore,
- FF Randall Friedrich,
- FF Andrew Ritchel,
- FF/EMT Allison Galofaro,
- FF Jonathan Mont,
- FF Jessica Ehrlich,
- FF Eric Siesener,
- FF/EMT Scott Basantes

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to purchase two Class A uniform shoes for the following members:

- 1st Assistant Chief Hinton,
- FF Brendan Mulroy

The Board approved a Ladder Arch to be participated in

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

Huntington Hospital has been notified of the changes to the District's Narcotics Agents and the Hospital has also notified the District that they will be providing liquid medications free of charge.
Greenlawn Fire District has expressed high praises for the work that was done by District EMT-Paramedic Alexa Rosenberg at their motor vehicle accident several weeks ago.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Stryker has discovered the issue with the prams and the stretchers. Their technician has notified the manufacturer in order to have the issue resolved.

The front tires on Ladder 2-10-2 have been replaced and the truck will be going out of service later this week to have the paint issues repaired.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase one Air Tow T16-14 Drop Deck Trailer with removable winch and accessories as indicated on estimate no. 37224 dated February 13th, 2026 for a total cost, with all add-on's, of \$27,774.70 from *FDR Hitches* in Roselle Park, NJ. A second price was obtained from *Acme Tools* at a cost of \$24,179.00, and a third price from *Zuma Sales, LLC*. At a cost of \$24,500.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202602-03

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of a Drop Deck Trailer

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$30,000.00 for the purchase of "One 16-foot drop deck trailer and any related accessories". These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A, which expenditures shall not exceed \$30,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund A up to \$30,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase one FLIR K65 329 x420 thermal imaging camera and charge for Ladder 2-10-2 from *Firematic Supply* at a cost of \$6,668.00. A second price was obtained from *Grainger* at a cost of \$6,995.00. This will be a Reserve Fund A expenditure off Permissive No. 202506-03.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to purchase new Scott Pack SCBA frames from MES at a cost not to exceed \$385,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202602-05

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of Scott Pack SCBA

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$385,000.00 for the purchase of “new SCBA Scott Packs and related accessories”. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A, which expenditures shall not exceed \$385,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund A up to \$385,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The New York State Department of Labor came to Station No. 1 in reference to an outstanding inspection for the front ramp boiler system. The inspector advised of the requirements needed to come to compliance and this is actively being worked on.

COMMUNICATION AND COMPUTERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to purchase a *Snap-On* Pro Link Plus diagnostic computer and one year software package from *Snap-On* at a cost of \$10,816.00. This will be a sole source purchase direct from the manufacturer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202602-02

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of a Heavy-Duty Truck Diagnostic Computer & Related Software

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$11,000.00 for the purchase of “One heavy duty truck diagnostic computer, related software, and necessary accessories”. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund C, which expenditures shall not exceed \$11,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund C up to \$11,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202602-06

Approval of Sole Source Procurement of Snap On Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer System

WHEREAS, the East Northport Fire District seeks to procure a *Snap On* Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer System, and;

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the *Snap On* Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer System fits the needs of the District in that it can be used to diagnose engine, transmission, and/or brake faults for class 4-8 vehicles/trucks; and

WHEREAS, *Snap On* has provided written certification that it is the sole manufacturer and source of the *Snap On* Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer System, and that the systems' functionality and proprietary compatibility cannot be replicated by alternative manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law § 103(5) and the District’s Procurement Policy, the Board of Fire Commissioners may authorize the procurement of goods or services without competitive bidding when such goods are obtainable from only one source and such sole source status is documented in the procurement record;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the East Northport Fire District hereby finds and determines that:

- The *Snap On* Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer System constitutes a sole source procurement;
- Acquisition of said computer is necessary to provide necessary diagnostic measures for the District’s vehicles/trucks;
- The District is authorized to proceed with the purchase of one (1) *Snap On* Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer System directly from the manufacturer in an amount not to exceed \$11,000.00 for the product and related software, subject to final contract approval.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Secretary is hereby directed to maintain this resolution and supporting documentation, including sole source certification letters, in the procurement file for future reference.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase new voter validation software with necessary equipment from *Fire Rescue Systems (SCM)* at a cost of \$12,100.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202602-04

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of Voter Validation Software & Related Equipment for District Elections

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$13,000.00 for the purchase of “Voter validation software, related equipment, and necessary accessories”. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund C, which expenditures shall not exceed \$13,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund C up to \$13,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

INSTALLATION DINNER

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to recognize that Department member, Ex- Chief William O'Loughlin will be achieving 60 years of service in 2026 and as such, will be provided a table with guests of his choosing for the 2026 Installation Dinner.

LOSAP

District Secretary Basantes advised the Board that the LOSAP Annual Report has been generated and submitted by LOSAP Administrator, Firefly Admin, Inc. for the year 2026.

A brief discussion was held on potential changes to the LOSAP program, with further discussion tabled for the next meeting.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to hire Aliya Terrana as a part-time EMT at a rate of \$24.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to accept the resignation of full-time Paramedic Sean Larson, effective February 20th, 2026, as stated in the letter provided by the employee.

POLICIES

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to approve the proposed revisions to the District's Rules & Regulations as they pertain to COVID-19 required attendance percentages that are no longer applicable and the qualifications for the First Assistant Chief.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to allow the Board the ability to consider and decide on recommendations of the Accident Review Board, prior to a Board meeting, which will be reflected through an amendment to the District's Vehicle Accident Review Policy.

TRAINING

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase two (2) BLS Instructor sets from the *American Heart Association* at a cost of \$177.50 per set for EMT Laura Riccio and Paramedic Steven Montalto in USB format, as required due to implemented updates.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan presented on his report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer’s report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 02/17/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	28	\$31,886.55
Reserve Fund B	2	\$5,812.62
	Combined Total	\$37,699.17

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 02/17/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	5	\$170,478.61
Payroll	19	\$90,990.14
	Combined Total	\$261,468.75

OLD BUSINESS

District Secretary Basantes advised the Board that the *Suffolk County Fire District Treasurer and Secretaries' Association* thanked the Board of Fire Commissioners and the District Staff for the hospitality and for assisting with their meeting that was held on February 11th, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

A discussion of the Five- Year Plan was formally conducted to review future projects of the District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to declare the following equipment as surplus with no use or value to the Fire District. The Fire District Manager is requested to dispose of such equipment if not already done so:

Inventory No.	Description	Value at Purchase	Out of Service	Comments
2-10-13	2012 Ford E350 Super Duty Passenger Van	-	Still In Service	Offer of \$13,000.00 accepted by the BOFC to sell the vehicle to a private party.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 7:40 PM to discuss Personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 7:44 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

March 3rd, 2026
5:00 PM

Chairman Tarantino called to order the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners with Firefly Admin, Inc.

7:00 PM

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

ATTENDANCE:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 17th, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Esposit	<i>Eff. 03/04/2025</i>
Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>

Chief Cambria thanked District Manager Ervin and the District staff for the assistance during the recent snow storm event.

CHIEFS REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Tarantino, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to permit the Department to attend the *Huntington Fire Department – St. Patrick’s Day Parade*.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tarantino, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to allow the *New York Blood Center* to have their blood drive at Fire Headquarters on April 25th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, abstained to by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by those remaining to reinstate Ex- Chief Kaifler to the Chauffeur’s list following the recommendations of the Accident Review Board.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

The recent snowstorm resulted in additional overtime being incurred. The overtime hours will be monitored for the remainder of the year.

The District will resume attendance at the quarterly controlled substance meetings.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase (2) new *Prestan Instructor Kit* – CPR Mannequins from *Bound Tree Medical* at a cost of \$979.99 each for a total cost of \$1,959.98 to replace the old/outdated units.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wine, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase a new gas-powered power washer to replace the current one that is 22 years old and is not operating properly at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase [32] new *Scott Air-Pak XD* SCBA 4.5 EZ Flow+, Quik connect hoses, Unpadded harness spring clips, UEBSS, and [28] 45-minute bottles (*14 at no charge*) with 32 new face pieces and [3] new RIT-PAK fast with [3] 30-minute cylinders (*cylinders at no charge from the trade in on the old 2 RIT PAKS*) and upgrades to the current 9 *Scott XD* packs for compatibility for a total cost of \$361,554.88 on Sourcewell Contract No. 011824 from MES. This will be a Reserve Fund A expenditure under Permissive No. 202602-05.

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The new 2-10-13 is almost complete.

The 80 car has been serviced. The District Mechanic discovered that there is an internal coolant leak into the engine. This will be monitored.

Ladder 2-10-2 is out of service getting the paint repairs covered under warranty completed.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to renew the service contract with *Power Pro Service* for the (3) Fire District Generators at a cost of \$899.00 per year for each generator for a total cost of \$2,697.00. This contract will be in effect from April 2026 through March 2028.

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The ex-Chief's pictures for the Chief's office will be undergoing resizing.

The District is in receipt of the Department of Labor and Suffolk County notices of violations for the boiler and the fuel tanks. Both items are currently being resolved. A discussion was held on the possibility of above-ground style tanks.

INSTALLATION DINNER

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to approve the guest list for the 2026 Installation Dinner.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to hire Thomas Wittmer as a part-time EMT – Paramedic at a rate of \$34.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire Eric Reynolds as a part-time EMT – Paramedic at a rate of \$34.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the resignation of part-time EMT – Paramedic Alex D’Amaro.

POLICIES

A discussion was held on the proposed amendment to the District’s *Vehicle Accident Review* policy. The discussion was tabled.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan presented on his report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer’s report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 03/03/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	36	\$37,770.07
Reserve Fund A	1	\$78,253.00
Reserve Fund C	2	\$29,546.78
	Combined Total	\$145,569.85

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 03/03/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	13	\$23,426.04
Payroll	20	\$84,454.01
	Combined Total	\$107,880.05

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Reynolds requested the exploration of a back-up camera for 2-10-11.

NEW BUSINESS

A request was received from *Key Capture Energy Group* to utilize the meeting room for a Town Hall meeting. As District policy does not permit this – *Key Capture Energy Group* will be notified of such.

Commissioner Kaifler requested quotes be obtained for hydrant marker flags to be installed on commercial roads.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

March 17th, 2026
7:00 PM

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

ATTENDANCE:

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

Commissioner Ritchel and District Treasurer Flanagan are excused from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 3rd, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>
Stephen Guttman	<i>Eff. 03/16/2026</i>

CHIEFS REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to permit the Department to provide assistance for the 2026 Cpl. Christopher G. Scherer Memorial Run/Walk scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 23rd.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to arrange the *F4 Bailout System – Train the Trainer* class through *Firematic Supply* at a cost of \$3,600.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase the following supplies at a total cost of \$1,970.38 for the bailout training class:

- (1) Minder Pulley 7-13mm, (1) Grigir Assisted Braking Delay Device Anti-Panic, (4) Hawk Auto Lock ASYMM D Carabiners Black, (1) 11mm Safety Rope – Yellow 165', (1) Medium Rope Bag, (1) Tubular Mil Spec Blue 300', (1) Swivel, (5) Harness Standard, (2) Harness XL, (1) Harness Small

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

Quotes will be obtained to purchase uniforms for the full-time employees this year, in accordance with the current Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect.

The *Suffolk County – Preliminary Damage Assessment* has been submitted, referencing costs incurred during the recent major snow event.

APPARATUS & EQUIPMENT

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The current 2-10-13 is scheduled to be sold tomorrow with the new 2-10-13 expected to be delivered on Monday.

The *First In* compartment door on 2-10-81 is currently being replaced.

A discussion was held on a possible replacement to the 2-10-80 responder vehicle. The Board requested the District Manager to look into a Ford Explorer PPV from PA.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase 150 hydrant flags.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Station No. 1:

Quotes for the construction material are being obtained.

A leak was found within the front ramp's heat tubing. It is currently being looked at by *Diversified Mechanical*.

The parking lot reconstruction will require a full dig up in order to install a new base and a new curb.

The overall project for Station No. 1 will require a bidding process.

General:

Quotes from *DreamSeat* are being obtained for the Chief's office and Station No. 1 furniture.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to replace the current wall unit AED at the Station No. 1 gym that is no longer serviceable and has no available repair parts, with a LifePak 1000 AED Defibrillator from *Stryker Medical* at a cost of \$2,979.93. A second price was obtained from the *AED Store* at a cost of \$3,701.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire *Suburban Landscaping, Inc.* for renovating the September 11th memorial at Fire Headquarters as indicated under estimate no. 964 at a total cost of \$10,500.00. A second price was obtained from *Raia Landscaping* at a cost of \$11,650.00 and a third price was obtained from *Aguilar K Clement Paving Contractor* at a cost of \$14,200.00. This will be a Reserve Fund B expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202603-01.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202603-01

Permissive Referendum – Refurbishment of the September 11th Memorial at Fire Headquarters

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$15,000.00 for the refurbishment of the September 11th Memorial at Fire Headquarters which will include any materials, labor, and associated costs. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund B, which expenditures shall not exceed \$15,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund B up to \$15,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

COMMUNICATION & COMPUTERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase an AXIS C1710 Network Display speaker for the EMS room – to improve alarm notification announcements/ communications from *Adept Technology* at a cost of \$1,674.00 for the speaker and \$810.00 for the installation.

INSTALLATION DINNER

Installation Dinner invitations have been printed and will be mailed out this week with a response due date of April 8th, 2026.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire Gabriella Scavo as a part-time EMT at a rate of \$24.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire Dominic Roldan as a part-time EMT at a rate of \$24.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire Hector Feliciano as a part-time EMT at a rate of \$24.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire Meghan McCarthy as a part-time Paramedic at a rate of \$34.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the resignation of part-time EMT- Paramedic C.W. Schwalbe effective March 6th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the resignation of part-time EMT Matthew Philip effective March 11th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to have the District Secretary conduct a canvas through *Suffolk County Civil Service* for the title of EMT- Basic.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan was excused from tonight’s meeting with his report being read off.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer’s report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 03/17/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	23	\$33,328.83
Reserve Fund A	2	\$22,792.89
	Combined Total	\$ 56,121.72

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 03/17/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	7	\$159,425.75
Payroll	20	\$86,455.74
	Combined Total	\$245,881.49

NEW BUSINESS

The District Secretary advised the Board that the audit is moving along well, with more to report in the following weeks.

Commissioner Kaifler advised the Board that he would like to explore improvements that can be made to recruitment and retention.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to have the District Counsel draft a letter in reference to the proposed BESS project within the District, as it relates to the District’s stance on the project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, nayed by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by Commissioner Tarantino as a passing motion to implement the proposed changes to the EMS billing rates effective April 1st, 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 8:01 PM to discuss Personnel / Contract matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session 8:34 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

April 7th, 2026
7:00 PM

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

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Tarantino	District Manager Ervin	Chief of Department Cambria
Commissioner Reynolds	District Secretary Basantes	2 nd Assistant Chief Pastore
Commissioner Ritchel	District Treasurer Flanagan	
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.	Senior Firehouse Attendant Senese	
Commissioner Wine	Secretary – Chief’s Office Laccesaglia	

1st Assistant Chief Hinton was excused from tonight’s meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, abstained to by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by those remaining to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 17th, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>
Stephen Guttman	<i>Eff. 03/16/2026</i>

CHIEFS REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to assist with an engine standby at the *Centerport Fire Department* on Saturday, April 11th, 2026 from 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to have apparatus attend the *Larkfield – Northport Little League* Parade on Saturday, April 11th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to utilize the 80 vehicle for the 24th annual *Louis J. Acompora Memorial Lacrosse Jamboree* on Saturday, April 25th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to send an engine to the *Pulaski Road School – Kindness Day* on Saturday, May 2nd, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to utilize 2-10-13 for the Department's attendance at the *Northport PBA Fundraiser- TopGolf* on Monday, April 13th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to utilize 2-10-13 for the Department's *Mets vs. Yankees* baseball game scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 16th, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (2) 4' x 8' x 8' large crash pads from *We Sell Mats* for the rope training class at a cost of \$899.00 per mat for a total cost of \$1,798.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (1) Adult Rescue Mannequin [165 lbs.] at a cost of \$1,585.00 and (1) Youth Rescue Mannequin [44 lbs.] at a cost of \$879.00 for a total cost of \$2,464.00 from *Firematic Supply*. A second price was obtained from *AED Super Store* for the adult mannequin at \$1,906.0 and for the youth mannequin at \$906.00.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

Vendors from *Zoll* and *FirstNet* have stopped by and presented on their products.

Will be looking at *911 ERP* as a vendor for employee uniforms and class A's.

The Huntington Hospital – EMS Medicine Distribution Program is working well.

The Town has not yet provided any information as of yet regarding the PILOT program out of Matinecock Court.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The new engine is currently on the production line and is expected to leave the factory on May 22nd.

The new drop deck trailer is scheduled to be picked up this week, Friday.

Ambulance 2-10-45 is at *ProLiner* currently getting repaired.

A discussion was held on the 2-10-11 and the condition of its dump truck body.

A Discussion was held on the lettering/ graphic options for the new responder vehicle.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase (2) *Revolution* Intake Valves 5" Stz to 6" inlet for the new engine from *Firematic Supply* at a cost of \$2,025.41 per valve + (2) valve caps at a cost of \$139 each for a combined total cost of \$4,328.82. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06 and will be under Massachusetts State Contract No. PSE01 - Public Safety Equipment and Two – Way Radios.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (7) *Vulcan* flashlights with vehicle charges from *Firematic Supply* at a cost of \$230.14 each for a total cost of \$1,610.98 for the new engine. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06 and will be under Massachusetts State Contract No. PSE01 - Public Safety Equipment and Two – Way Radios.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (2) Super Bright LED Portable Scene Lights from *Firematic Supply* at a cost of \$647.29 each for a total cost of \$1,294.59 for the new engine. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06 and will be under Massachusetts State Contract No. PSE01 - Public Safety Equipment and Two – Way Radios.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (3) battery powered RAM fans from the *Greenlawn Fire District* at a total cost \$2,750.00 in as is condition for the new engine. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (1) *FLIR K65* 320x420 thermal imaging camera with charger from *Firematic Supply* for the new engine at a total cost of \$6,668.00. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06 and will be under Massachusetts State Contract No. PSE01 - Public Safety Equipment and Two – Way Radios.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to purchase (2) M18 FUEL One-KEY 18V Lithium Ion Brushless Cordless 9 inch cut off saw kit with batteries and rapid charger at a cost of \$699.00 per unit for a total cost of \$1,398.00 for the new engine. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (1) M18 FUEL Lithium Ion Brushless Cordless 7-tool combo kit with batteries, charger, and tool bags at a cost of \$1,249.00. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (1) M18 FUEL Lithium Ion Brushless Cordless 10-tool combo kit with batteries, charger, and tool bags at a cost of \$1,899.00. This will be a Reserve Fund A Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202509-06.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202604-01

Permissive Referendum – Purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe First Responder Vehicle (SSV/ PPV)

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$100,000 for the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe First Responder Vehicle (SSV/ PPV) with necessary peripheral equipment, and any

related accessories. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A, which expenditures shall not exceed \$100,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund A up to \$100,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202604-02

Legal Notice – Advertisement for Bids: 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe 4WD SSV/ PPV

Bid No. ENFD2026-01

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that sealed bids are hereby sought by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the East Northport Fire District to purchase one (1) 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV/PPV.

Bids shall be enclosed in a sealed, postpaid envelope marked “Bid For 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe 4WD SSV/ PPV” and addressed to:

East Northport Fire District
1 Ninth Avenue
East Northport, NY 11731

Such bids shall be received no later than 4:00 PM prevailing time on May 4th, 2026 in the Fire District’s Office located at 1 Ninth Avenue, East Northport, NY 11731. All bids that have been received by the above date and time shall be publicly opened and read on May 5th at 7:00 PM in the Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Room.

Copies of the Bid Specification Sheet may be obtained at the Fire District’s Office during normal business hours, Monday – Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This form must be completed and submitted with the vendor’s proposal. The Bid Specification Sheet is also available in PDF/A format and can be emailed to the bidder as long as all identifying company contact information is received in the request. All electronic requests can be emailed to:

District@EastNorthportFD.org

The East Northport Fire District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any informality and to accept such bid which, in the opinion of the Board of Fire Commissioners, is in the best interests of the District. The East Northport Fire District also reserves the right to hold all bids for a period of thirty (30) days after the opening of such bids submitted to check the qualifications of bidders, to check that all bid

requirements have been met, and to obtain the necessary approvals, if any, as stated under General Municipal Law GML § 103.

Dated: April 7th, 2026

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

A discussion was held on the current 80 vehicle, specifically its mechanical state. A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to declare the vehicle as surplus equipment and to be sold.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection will be conducting an inspection of the ramp boiler at Station No. 1 in order to address the notice from the *Department of Labor*.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire *Parsons Floors* to supply and install new ceramic tile in the Firematic room and first floor hallways at Station No. 1 at a total cost of \$37,448.07. This will be a Reserve Fund B Expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202507-04 and will be under NYS Contract No. NYS-OGS-PC70835.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (5) 48 ½ x 32 ½ inch *Anderson Fixed Picture* window in terratone exterior color for the second-floor west side at Station No. 1 at a cost of \$444.95 per unit for a total cost of \$2,224.75 from *Cosmo Window & Doors*. A second price was obtained from *Nassau Door & Window* for \$468.75 per unit for a total cost of \$2,343.75.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase (2) exterior door units for the rope training window on the training building from *Cosmo Window & Doors* at a cost of \$1,625.62 each for a total cost of \$3,251.24. A second price was obtained from *Nassau Door & Window* for \$1,685.50 per unit for a total cost of \$3,371.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to approve the Maltese cross logo for the Chief's office furniture and half the Station No. 1 chairs to be purchased.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase the following items from *DreamSeat* for the Chief's Office, with approved logos and shipping for a combined total of \$9,782.29:

- (2) Dillion Silver Club Chairs – Black at a cost of \$949.00 each for total cost of \$1,898.00,
- (1) Dillion Silver Sofa – Black for \$1,549.00,
- (3) XZipit Xentinel task chairs at \$1,479.00 each for a total cost of \$4,437.00

This will be a Sole Source expenditure, with required paperwork provided by the vendor, under Reserve Fund B – Permissive Referendum No. 202507-03.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to approve the Station No. 1 logo for the table and half the Station No. 1 chairs to be purchased.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase the following items from *DreamSeat* for the Station No. 1 Firematic Room, with approved logos and shipping for a combined total of \$14,559.00:

- (7) Dillion Relax Recliners – Black at a cost of \$699.00 per unit for a total cost of \$4,893.00
- (12) XZip Side Chairs 200 – Black at a cost of \$279.00 per unit for a total cost of \$3,348.00
- (1) 4x10 Glass Conference table Boat EXE base for \$3,199.00

This will be a Sole Source expenditure, with required paperwork provided by the vendor, under Reserve Fund B – Permissive Referendum No. 202507-04.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 202604-03

Permissive Referendum – Related Site Work for the Station No. 1 Renovation

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$450,000 for site work associated with the Station No. 1 Renovation Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such site work may include, but shall not be limited to, the procurement and hiring of professional services for asphalt paving, concrete work, fencing, exterior railing installation, soil testing, and any other services deemed necessary and appropriate to complete the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund B up to \$450,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

INSTALLATION DINNER

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase 23 flower arrangements for the table centerpieces at a cost of \$125 per arrangement, for a total cost of \$2,875.00 from *The Flower Basket*. A second price was obtained from *Urban Stems* at a cost of \$147.05 per arrangement for a total cost of \$3,529.20.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to appoint Anika Giehl as an EMT – Basic off the *Suffolk County Civil Service* list at the negotiated rate as currently listed on the current Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect with LOCAL 342.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to hire Evan Rolla as a part-time firehouse attendant at a rate of \$24.00 per hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the resignation of part-time EMT Colin Weigele effective March 16th, 2026.

The Board expressed their gratitude to District Paramedic Steven Montalto for assisting with the multiple EMS alarms that came in the other night after his shift.

POLICIES

A discussion was held regarding the proposed amendments to the Vehicle Accident Review policies.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the proposed amendments to the Vehicle Accident Review policies within the *District Rules & Regulations* and the *Chiefs General Orders*.

TRAINING

District Manager Ervin advised that he would like to look into enrolling the District Mechanics into an upcoming *Waterous Training* course through *Pierce Manufacturing*.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan presented on his report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer’s report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>WC/AP Journal- 04/07/2026</i>		
General Fund	41	\$52,595.30
Reserve Fund A	2	\$34,342.08
Reserve Fund C	2	\$53,613.20
	Combined Total	\$140,550.58

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 04/07/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	20	\$84,837.71
Payroll	40	\$158,439.46
	Combined Total	\$243,277.17

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202604-04

Closure – Purchase to Upgrade the Thermal Imaging Cameras on Fire Apparatus

WHEREAS, on June 17th, 2025 the Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of adopting a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$30,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of thermal imaging cameras for fire apparatus and any related accessories”; and

WHEREAS, all funds authorized by the Permissive Referendum have been expended, or are no longer needed for the herein stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the Permissive Referendum adopted on June 17th, 2025 pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$30,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of thermal imaging cameras for fire apparatus and any related accessories” closed, with no further expenditures to be made against it.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202604-05

Closure – Purchase of a Ford Passenger Van

WHEREAS, on January 6th, 2026 the Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of adopting a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$90,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of one (1) Ford Passenger Van, peripheral equipment, and any related accessories”; and

WHEREAS, all funds authorized by the Permissive Referendum have been expended, or are no longer needed for the herein stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the Permissive Referendum adopted on January 6th, 2026 pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$90,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of one (1) Ford Passenger Van, peripheral equipment, and any related accessories” closed, with no further expenditures to be made against it.

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

A discussion was held on the topics that were presented at the *Association of Fire Districts for the State of New York – Mini Summit* including:

- The removal of *NFPA* standards from the *OSHA* proposal,
- Allowing local training standards implements into the *OSHA* proposal,
- The State of New York looking into making EMS as essential,
- New York State discussing the current Medicare/Medicaid billing crossover,
- The focuses of the State Fire Associations as a whole,
- The implementation of nominal compensation for responders,
- The recruitment/retention issues statewide.

A discussion was held on the *Town of Huntington’s* decision to implement a moratorium on BESS Facilities. This moratorium is also being explored at the County level.

NEW BUSINESS

A review of the five-year plan was conducted.

A discussion was held on the Department’s fund drive letter and the verbiage/ photographs that were utilized.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to purchase a banner for 50 yr. / 60 yr. milestones at the member’s station, not to exceed a total cost of \$300.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 8:23 PM to discuss personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 8:58 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 9: 14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

April 21st, 2026
6:30 PM

Chairman Tarantino called to order the meeting with Sound Medical Systems.

7:00 PM

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

ATTENDANCE:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to accept the minutes of the meeting held on April 7th, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>
Stephen Guttman	<i>Eff. 03/16/2026</i>

CHIEFS REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to allow the Chief, the 1st Assistant Chief, and any member of the Board to attend the *International Association of Fire Chiefs – Symposium in the Sun* Conference scheduled to be held November 12th – 15th, 2026 in Clearwater, FL.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to attend a vehicle extrication drill at *Gershow Recycling* on Wednesday, April 29th in preparation for the JOLT tournament. If approved, the District Secretary will obtain a certificate of insurance for the drill.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

A shared services agreement will be explored with the *Centerport Fire District* to provide gear washing.

A conversation was had with the President of the *Association of Fire Districts – State of New York* regarding nominal compensation. The State is legislatively working on addressing VFBL and LOSAP concerns.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (12) portable radio batteries from *Motorola Solutions* at a cost of \$101.40 per battery for a total cost of \$1,216.80 off NYS Contract No. PT-68722.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (3) APX4500 – 800 band mobile radios for the dispatch office with all accessories from *Motorola Solutions* at a total cost of \$14,070.00 off NYS Contract PT-68722. This will be a Reserve C expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202503-01.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (8) Minitor 7 pagers with chargers and a 5-year warranty from *Integrated Wireless* at a total cost of \$3,182.40 off NYS Contract No. PT-68722.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to have the new engine's identifier be "2-10-6".

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to have the station patch applied on the truck's glass with the Department patch and company number applied on the door for the new engine.

A discussion was also held on the Chief's vehicle rotation.

District Manager Ervin advised the Board on the following:

The 80 car is currently on *Auctions International*. Bids are being monitored and are increasing daily.

The new engine is on the production line and is expected to be completed on May 22nd. A day trip will be arranged to conduct a pre-inspection.

The bid window for the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe is now open.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the Headquarters patch and the Station No. 2 patch.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase (4) Relax Recliner Dillion Black recliners from *DreamSeat* at a cost of \$699.00 per unit for a total cost of \$3,768.86 with shipping for the District EMS office, as a sole source procurement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to hire the *Alden Group* for professional services, not to exceed a cost of \$100,000.00.

District Manager Ervin advised the Board on the following:

The 9/11 monument will have its lighting installed and gravel applied to complete the project.

The Station No. 1 windows and materials have been ordered. The interior breakdown will commence next week.

CORRESPONDENCE

Email received from McNeil & Co. advising that the claim involving the accident on 2-10-11 has been closed and paid.

Invitation received from the *Dix Hills Fire Department* to attend their Installation Dinner on May 30th, 2026 at the Long Island Aquarium.

Invitation received from the *Kings Park Fire Department* to attend their Installation Dinner on May 30th, 2026 at the Flowerfield.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to provide a \$3.00/ hour increase to Paramedic Steven Montalto for his designation as *Primary Narcotics Agent* for the Fire District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to provide a \$1.50/ hour increase to Paramedic Alexa Rosenberg for her designation as *Secondary Narcotics Agent* for the Fire District.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan presented on his report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer's report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 04/21/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	23	\$17,169.35
Reserve Fund B	1	\$10,500.00
Reserve Fund C	1	\$962.00
	Combined Total	\$28,631.35

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 04/21/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	5	\$15,066.16
Payroll	19	\$73,598.70
	Combined Total	\$88,664.86

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202604-07

Closure of Permissive Referendum 202601-05 for the Lucas CPR Device

WHEREAS, on January 20th, 2026 the Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of adopting a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$25,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “for the purchase of one (1) *Lucas 3* CPR device and any related accessories”; and

WHEREAS, all funds authorized by the Permissive Referendum have been expended, or are no longer needed for the herein stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the Permissive Referendum adopted on January 20th, 2026 pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$25,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “for the purchase of one (1) *Lucas 3* CPR device and any related accessories” closed, with no further expenditures to be made against it.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202604-08

Closure of Permissive Referendum 202602-03 for a Drop Deck Trailer

WHEREAS, on February 17th, 2026 the Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of adopting a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$30,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of “one 16-foot drop deck trailer and any related accessories”; and

WHEREAS, all funds authorized by the Permissive Referendum have been expended, or are no longer needed for the herein stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the Permissive Referendum adopted on February 17th, 2026 pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$30,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for the purchase of “one 16-foot drop deck trailer and any related accessories” closed, with no further expenditures to be made against it.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202604-09

Closure of Permissive Referendum 202602-02 for a Snap On Pro Link Plus Diagnostic Computer

WHEREAS, on February 17th, 2026 the Board of Fire Commissioners voted in favor of adopting a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$11,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of “One heavy duty truck diagnostic computer, related software, and necessary accessories”; and

WHEREAS, all funds authorized by the Permissive Referendum have been expended, or are no longer needed for the herein stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby declares the Permissive Referendum adopted on February 17th, 2026 pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-g in the amount of \$11,000 for expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund A for “the purchase of “one heavy duty truck diagnostic computer, related software, and necessary accessories” closed, with no further expenditures to be made against it.

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

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to spend no more than \$1,500.00 on social media advertisement for the purpose of the recruitment of new members.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202604-06

Approval of Sole Source Procurement of *Dream Seat XZipit* Furniture

WHEREAS, the East Northport Fire District seeks to purchase *DreamSeat XZipit* furniture for the purpose of replacing furniture that is aged and no longer functional for the needs of the District, and

WHEREAS, the District desires to utilize *DreamSeat* as it provides a single source solution to design, manufacturer, and deliver its custom product.

WHEREAS, *DreamSeat* has provided written certification that it is the sole manufacturer and source of the *XZipit* product line, and that the manufacturer's proprietary patented design and compatibility cannot be replicated by alternative manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law § 103(5) and the District's Procurement Policy, the Board of Fire Commissioners may authorize the procurement of goods or services without competitive bidding when such goods are obtainable from only one source and such sole source status is documented in the procurement record;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the East Northport Fire District hereby determines that the *DreamSeat XZipit* furniture line constitutes a sole source procurement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the acquisition of said furniture is necessary to replace aging and non-functional furniture within District facilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Secretary is hereby directed to maintain this Resolution and all supporting documentation, including sole source certification letters, in the procurement file for future reference.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to draft a letter to the membership, that will be presented through the Chief's office regarding the current nominal compensation legislation. The Chief is requested to see if there is interest in the nominal compensation concept of "in house standby crews".

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 7:50 PM to discuss contracts.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 8:21 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary

May 5th, 2026
7:00 PM

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

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Tarantino	District Secretary Basantes	1 st Assistant Chief Hinton
Commissioner Reynolds	District Treasurer Flanagan	
Commissioner Ritchel	Senior Firehouse Attendant Senese	
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.		
Commissioner Wine		

District Manager Ervin, Chief of Department Cambria, and 2nd Assistant Chief Pastore were excused from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present to accept the minutes of the meeting held on April 21st, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>
Stephen Guttman	<i>Eff. 03/16/2026</i>

Chief Hinton advised the Board that Nicolette is now officially handling the Juniors program account administration. An overall clean up will be conducted to ensure there is an accurate roster moving forward.

CHIEFS REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, and seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to utilize necessary apparatus for the *Christopher Scherer Memorial Run/Walk* scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 23rd from 7:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to attend the *East Northport Memorial Day Parade/Services* scheduled to take place on Monday, May 25th.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin was excused from tonight's meeting.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

District Secretary Basantes presented to the Board a total of (1) bid that was received in reference to Bid No. ENFD2026-01 regarding the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV/PPV.

Commissioner Kaifler expressed that he was not in favor of the front push bar specification that was considered in the bid.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202605-01

Acceptance of Bid and Authorizing the Award of Contract for the Purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe

WHEREAS, the East Northport Fire District advertised for bids for the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV/PPV following the Board meeting held on April 7th, 2026; and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received in the District Offices located at 1 9th Avenue no later than 4:00 PM prevailing time on May 4th, 2026, with any bids received to be opened at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners on May 5th, 2026, as shown below:

Name and Address of Bidder(s)	Amount of Bid
Red Truck Sales, Inc. 577 Brook Avenue Deer Park, NY 11729	\$91,098.80

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District will award the contract for the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV/PPV to **RED TRUCK SALES, INC.** in the amount of **\$91,098.80**, for the vehicle and upfit package called for by the bid specification sheet distributed to all bidders and filed herewith together with all related correspondence received in response thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District authorizes other municipalities and governmental agencies to utilize this awarded contract for a period of up to one year from the date of acceptance, in accordance with General Municipal Law § 103.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to approve the final sale price of the Fire District’s 2017 Ford Expedition from *Auction International* at a closed final bid of \$9,400.00.

A discussion was held on the necessity of an interior use scissor lift for the Fire District. The Board approved the exploration of a used scissor lift not to exceed \$10,000.00.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, and approved by all present hire *Residential Fence Corp (RFC)* to supply and install new fencing around the radio tower at Headquarters and to remove and install the fencing around the dumpster enclosure with all black fencing and privacy slats for a total cost of \$8,290.00 on *Suffolk County DPW Contract No. FFIR-062416*.

Senior Firehouse Attendant Senese informed the Board of the following:

Station No. 1 construction has started, windows have been removed and insulation is being installed. The 1st floor has been emptied out and the new flooring is scheduled to be installed 5/26. The 9/11 memorial at Headquarters.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter received from *McNeil & Co.* advising that the claim involving Richard Demling has been paid and closed.

Letter received from *McNeil & Co.* advising that the claim involving Richard Spinelli has been paid and closed.

Letter received from the *Greenlawn Water District* advising that there will be a reduction in the cost per hydrant price for hydrants within the boundaries of the Fire District.

Executed *Ambulance Service Agreement* with Suffolk County has been received and filed.

PERSONNEL

A discussion was held on the proposed pay scale for the Maintenance Mechanic position that the District will be adding. All Commissioners advised they were in favor of the proposed scale.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan presented on his report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer's report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid	Checks Needed	Amount
<i>WC/AP Journal- 05/05/2026</i>		
General Fund	27	\$33,490.84
Reserve Fund B	2	\$2,857.60

	Combined Total	\$36,348.44
Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 05/05/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	33	\$105,928.55
Payroll	20	\$76,311.19
	Combined Total	\$182,239.74

NEW BUSINESS

The Board was advised that auditors: Craig, Fitzsimmons, and Meyers, LLP. are close to completing their audit reports and will be coming on June 2nd, 2026 before the Board meeting to discuss the audit for 2025.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 7:25 PM in reference to Personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 7:34 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions/ comments from the floor. As there were none, a motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes
Fire District Secretary

May 19th, 2026
7:00 PM

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

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Tarantino	District Manager Ervin	Chief of Department Cambria
Commissioner Ritchel	District Secretary Basantes	2 nd Assistant Chief Pastore
Commissioner Kaifler, Jr.	District Treasurer Flanagan	
Commissioner Wine		

Commissioner Reynolds and 1st Assistant Chief Hinton were excused from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the minutes of the meeting held on May 5th, 2026.

CHIEFS REPORT

On Sick:

Robert Sagistano	<i>Eff. 10/22/2025</i>
Robert Farrelly	<i>Eff. 12/11/2025</i>
Stephen Guttman	<i>Eff. 03/16/2026</i>

Chief Cambria advised the Board that there is a missing portable radio on Ladder 2-10-2 and that this is currently being investigated.

Commissioner Tarantino thanked the Chief for a nice Installation Dinner this year.

CHIEFS REQUESTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the following applicants who have successfully completed their application process and were voted to Probationary status at the Department's May 4th meeting:

Megan O'Rourke	Station No. 2	Fire/Rescue
Jonathan DeCaglia	Headquarters	Fire/Rescue
Thomas Tini	Station No. 1	Fire/Rescue

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to authorize the Chief to utilize (1) ambulance to cover the *Northport High School* graduation scheduled to be held on June 26th, 2026 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler to allow the Chief to utilize apparatus without needing to make a formal request. The motion did not pass.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to host a “*Trunk or Treat*” open house event scheduled to be held on October 17th, 2026 between the hours of 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Fire Headquarters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to send a total of (8) interior firefighters to the *New York State Association of Fire Chiefs – Hands on Training* at the *FDNY Fire Academy* on July 11th – July 12th from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at a cost of \$495.00 per member for a total cost of \$3,960.00. The July 11th date will focus on Engine Company Operations and the July 12th date will focus on Truck Company Operations with four members attending on each date. A vehicle is authorized to be used as well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, nayed by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by Commissioner Tarantino to provide mileage reimbursement to Department member Charles Maury upon the completion of his *New York State EMT – Basic Refresher* course that is scheduled to take place from April 19th – June 21st, 2026 at the *Ronkonkoma Fire District* located at 177 Portion Road in Ronkonkoma, NY. Mileage would be calculated at the 2026 GSA rate from Fire Headquarters to the class location.

DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Ervin presented on his report and advised the Board of the following:

The Fire District assisted the Centerport Fire District in boarding up their accident affected substation via the shared services program.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

Hose testing is scheduled to be conducted and completed tomorrow, May 20th

The new Chevrolet Tahoe FRV will be ready for pickup tomorrow, May 20th

The rear controller on Ladder 2-10-2 has a cracked encasement and a replacement will be looked into.

The new engine’s arrival will be pushed back approximately 53 days. A meeting was held with *Firematic* and the delay is due to the production cycle having started late. The fabrication of the storage boxes will start soon to ensure August delivery.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase a scissor lift.

Commissioner Kaifler spoke and expressed support for the purchase of a UTV due to the fact that our District covers Meadowlark Park which is a 10- acre property that has a 6-mile bike trail where this vehicle can be utilized. He requested that the Board reconsider this purchase.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

District Manager Ervin advised the Board of the following:

The exterior site work at Station No. 1 is scheduled to commence in the Fall with an estimated November 25th completion date.

The training building is currently being prepped for the *Bailout System - Train the Trainer* class.

The three properties are currently undergoing Spring landscape preparation work.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire *Sendlewski Architects, PC – Architecture & Planning* for professional services related to the site work project at Station No. 1 as described in their proposal dated May 5th, 2026. This will be a Reserve Fund B expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202604-03.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire *STC Skytesting Civil* for special inspections and materials testing during the site work project at Station No. 1 as described in their proposal dated April 30th, 2026. This will be a Reserve Fund B expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202604-03.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to hire *Slacke Test Boring* for test samples of the parking lot at Station No. 1 for the purpose of preparing a proper bid package at a cost of \$2,750.00. This will be a Reserve Fund B expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202604-03.

COMMUNICATION AND COMPUTERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Ritchel, and approved by all present to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 202605-02

Permissive Referendum – Upgrade of Mobile Data Terminals and Computers

IT IS RESOLVED, that the East Northport Fire District shall expend up to \$150,000.00 for the purchase and upgrade of all Mobile Data Terminals (MDT), Computers, and any associated required equipment / peripherals. These expenses shall be financed by expenditures from Capital Reserve Fund C, which expenditures shall not exceed \$150,000.00.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this expenditure shall be subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to General Municipal Law § 6-g.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the East Northport Fire District is hereby authorized to expend from Capital Reserve Fund C up to \$150,000.00 in payment of these expenditures.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to purchase *Getac* Mobil Data Terminals as quoted by SCM in their proposal dated May 6th, 2026 at a cost of \$118,384.63. This will be a Reserve C expenditure under Permissive Referendum No. 202605-02.

CORRESPONDENCE

District Secretary Basantes advised the Board that a letter was received from the Department’s Membership Secretary requesting new applicants to be added to the agenda for tonight’s meeting for membership consideration by the Board of Fire Commissioners.

INSURANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to publish an RFP for Insurance Brokerage/ Coverage with the current coverage limits in place.

TREASURER

District Treasurer Flanagan presented on his report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to accept the Treasurer’s report.

VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Kaifler, and approved by all present to accept the following vouchers:

To Be Paid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 05/19/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	26	\$35,901.17
Reserve Fund A	2	\$98,626.52
Reserve Fund B	5	\$13,905.46
Reserve Fund C	2	\$26,170.00
	Combined Total	\$174,603.15

Prepaid		
<i>WC/AP Journal- 05/19/2026</i>	<i>Checks Needed</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Prepaid Checks	18 [GF, Res. A, Res. B, Res. C]	\$166,649.09
Payroll	19	\$75,665.63
	Combined Total	\$242,314.72

OLD BUSINESS

A discussion was held on the finalized reports received from *Craig, Fitzsimmons, and Meyers, LLP*. District Manager Ervin thanked the District staff involved in achieving positive results.

A discussion was held on the Matinecock Court PILOT program. Research will be completed on how the payment rates were calculated.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Kaifler commended the District Paramedics for their proactive use of narcotics administration to assist with pain management and improve overall patient care.

Commissioner Kaifler requested that the Chief consider utilizing the Stony Brook Mobile Stroke Unit since they have been seen locally and could provide a benefit when needed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Ritchel, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to enter into executive session at 7:45 PM to discuss personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to reconvene from executive session at 7:57 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Tarantino asked if there were any questions / comments from the floor. A motion was made by Commissioner Kaifler, seconded by Commissioner Wine, and approved by all present to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Basantes

Fire District Secretary