

**Draft Minutes.  
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Amendment and Approval**

PLEASANTVILLE FIRE DISTRICT  
PLEASANTVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
April 9, 2026

MINUTES of the Annual Meeting of the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department on April 9, 2026 at 8:00 P.M. in the Meeting Room, Pleasantville Fire Headquarters, 75 Washington Avenue, Pleasantville, New York, the date prescribed by statute.

The Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners acted as Chairman in accordance with the Departmental Rules and Regulations. The undersigned acted as Secretary.

The Chairman called the Annual Meeting to order. There were 29 Members present constituting a quorum. (Total is 53.)

The Chairman made the required Fire Exit Announcement and Fire Response Announcement.

Ex-Chief Perino led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman recognized Fire Commissioners Cullen, Colmenares, Onuma and Trudo and Fire District Secretary-Treasurer Langan.

The Chairman called for the Annual Report of the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Company which was delivered by its Secretary, Michael W. Rufino. The Chairman called for the Annual Report of the Pleasantville Fire Department Junior Corps which was delivered by William Perlman.

He called for the report of the Department Nominating Committee, chaired by Michael Zaino who reported that the committee recommended Chief Martineau to be Chief of Department, Assistant Chief Scopino to be Assistant Chief, Captain Stephane Zapletal to be Captain, and Matthew Colmenares 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant. The Chairman thanked the Nominating Committee for its work and moved the election of the slate of officers as stated.

On a motion by A. J. Greco, seconded by John Thys, and unanimously carried, the nominations were closed and the Secretary directed to cast one ballot each for Madison Martineau, Asterio Scopino, Stephane Zapletal and Matthew Colmenares for the offices to which each was nominated and the Secretary did so.

The Chairman then declared the meeting recessed at 8:10PM so that the Board of Fire Commissioners could convene a Special Meeting and invited all present to remain.

The Chairman re-convened the Annual Meeting at 8:20PM.

The Chairman called for reports from the Chiefs.

Assistant Chief Scopino had no report.

Chief Martineau, from a written report thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support and confidence. He noted that the Department responded to 469 calls in 2025.

He singled out and congratulated Ex-Chief John Perino for making 292 calls, Manny Colmenares for making 224 calls and Chester Onuma for making 210 calls. Although Chiefs are excluded from response notices, Assistant Chief Scopino responded to 335 calls.

He also singled out and congratulated Ex-Chief John Perino for driving to 175 calls, Manny Colmenares for driving to 146 calls and Steve Belmont for driving to 52 calls.

He acknowledged members who responded to 50% or more of the alarms between midnight and 6AM: Mike Rufino (50%), Lee Dickinson (76%) and Manny Colmenares (79%).

He deferred presenting the Rookie of the Year and Firefighter of the Year awards until the next Company meeting.

He concluded his remarks, saying:

As I reflect on the past year, I want to take a moment to personally thank each and every one of you for your dedication, professionalism, and unwavering commitment to our department and community.

This department asks a great deal of you, not only in the hours spent training and responding to calls, but also in the time you sacrifice away from your families and personal lives. That commitment does not go unnoticed. Your willingness to answer the call, day or night, in all conditions, attend countless drills and other events, is what makes this department strong and dependable.

Thank you to our newer members, who have continued to show great commitment and enthusiasm. Your contributions are already making a positive impact and helping to strengthen the foundation of what makes this department great.

Thank you to our senior members, whose pride and dedication to this department have never wavered over the years. Your experience, commitment, and steady presence continue to set the standard for all of us. The countless hours you have given, year after year, are a testament to your character and to the strength of this department.

Thank you to the Board of Fire Commissioners, for your commitment to moving PFD forward and outfitting members with the latest and greatest gear and equipment.

Thank you to the Auxiliary for your involvement throughout the year, especially in regards to the Children's Holiday Party.

Chairman Rufino thanked his colleagues on the Board, Secretary-Treasurer Langan, Counsel McCarthy, Ex-Chief Lemcke and the Line Officers for the work accomplished in the prior year.

He praised the Members as the heart and soul of the Department whose dedication and commitment makes it possible for the Department to function, especially in times of high call volume such as in the first quarter of 2026.

There being no further business, and on a motion made by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Colmenares and multiple members, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Langan  
Fire District Secretary-Treasurer