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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Pleasantville Fire District

April 21, 2026

MINUTES of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasantville Fire District held on April 21, 2026 in the Meeting Room, Pleasantville Fire Headquarters, 75 Washington Avenue, Pleasantville, New York at 7:30PM pursuant to prior notice.

Attending: Commissioners M. Rufino, J. M. Cullen, M. Colmenares, C. Onuma and T. Trudo. Secretary-Treasurer T. Langan, Chief Martineau and Assistant Chief Scopino.

Approval of Minutes: The Chairman stated that the Commissioners had received copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 17, 2026, the Annual Department Meeting of April 9, 2026 and the Special Meeting of April 9, 2026 and inquired as to the approval or disapproval of the minutes. On a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Colmenares, and unanimously carried, all minutes were approved as written.

The Secretary-Treasurer had earlier distributed his printed report consisting of the following statements as of March 31, 2026: Statements of Receipts and Disbursements; Cash on Hand and in Banks; General Fund Reconciliation; List of Outstanding Checks; Apparatus Reserve and Repair Fund; and, Property and Construction Fund.

1. He presented the renewal of the Hydrant Agreement with the Village of Pleasantville covering the five year period ending May 31, 2031. The rent increases \$3 per hydrant per year over the period. Other terms are consistent with past Agreements. On a motion by Commissioner Cullen, seconded by Commissioner Trudo, and unanimously carried, the execution and delivery of the Agreement was approved.
2. There is one addition to the voucher file since it was sent to the Board earlier today. An additional reimbursement of \$81.20 to Commissioner Cullen has been added.
3. As noted previously, PKF O'Connor Davies will prepare the Annual Financial Report which is now due on the extended date of April 30. He has asked for work papers.
4. He is awaiting draft financial statements from the auditors.

Chief's Agenda:

1. Chief Martineau reported that Patrick Wilson and Penelope Ward have resigned.
2. He presented applications of Aidan Nemeier for the Junior Corps and Joseph Keating and Eka Tawe for the Fire Company. On a motion by Commissioner Cullen, seconded by Commissioner Colmenares, and unanimously carried, all three were appointed to membership.
3. He advised that Firefighters Carty, Perez, and Wolff had passed EVOC.

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4. The topside toolboxes on Utility 188 are leaking and no longer close completely or easily and he is recommending replacement. On a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Colmenares and unanimously carried, replacement was approved with Commissioner Cullen, Assistant Chief Scopino and Andy Foca to explore alternatives.
5. Goosetown Communications quoted \$294 per month for the rental of six cameras, installed, for 60 months (total is \$17,640). Commissioner Colmenares suggested that cameras could be obtained for significantly less. No action was taken on the quote.
6. A \$4,000 quote for a standpipe prop was received from Fire Department Connections through the efforts of Training Officer Belmont. On a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Onuma and unanimously carried, the purchase was approved.
7. The Chief next discussed attendance issues. He specifically mentioned members who arrive at the firehouse after the call has been cleared, or who arrive after it is no longer possible to respond on an apparatus but who record their attendance electronically. He stated there are some members who consistently do so. After a long discussion, it was determined that it is within the Chief's discretion on a per call basis whether to give a member credit for responding.
8. The NY Blood Center would like to conduct a blood drive at Fire Headquarters on July 30, 2026. On a motion by Commissioner Colmenares, seconded by Commissioner Cullen and unanimously carried, the request was approved, subject to receiving the customary insurance certificate and hold harmless agreement.
9. The coolers used for parades and other functions need to be replaced by virtue of age. Training Officer Belmont has located replacements from RTIC for \$581.68 for two coolers, including insignia. On a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Onuma and unanimously carried, the purchase was approved.
10. He suggested that uniforms be purchased from New England Uniforms, a prior vendor. The price is comparable to current vendors, the turnaround is six weeks and New England will accept less than bulk orders.

Apparatus:

1. Commissioner Cullen reported that radios and decals have been removed from Engine 259 and records are in the cab. Ray Zaccari of Signal 5 has taken pictures which will be posted tomorrow.
2. TL5 is in the body shop at Firematic. The cylinders have been rebuilt and are at Firematic to be installed.
3. Andy Foca will take the trailers to Glenn's Towing next week for inspections.

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4. When TL5 has been returned, preventive maintenance will be scheduled for other apparatus.

Facilities:

1. Commissioner Onuma reported that the exhaust system has been inspected.
2. A valve has to be changed on the water service at Headquarters.
3. Roger Lemcke has requested a replacement for the gasoline powered lawn mower at Hays. The cost is \$200. On a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Onuma and unanimously carried, the purchase was approved.
4. Some caulking needs to be done at Hays; the cost is nominal.
5. Commissioner Onuma was requested to look into servicing for the air-conditioning equipment and the drains at Hays.

Technology:

1. The website “pleasantvillefiredept.com” expired and the content has been redirected to “pleasantvillefire.org.” We currently pay \$185 per month for hosting. Commissioner Colmenares will explore creating a website on Go-Daddy for which hosting is \$6 monthly.

Insurance and LOSAP:

1. Commissioner Rufino noted that VFIS has dropped Great Neck as a customer. On inquiry, Guion Agency states that VFIS is still insuring fire districts and offered some reasons why it may have dropped Great Neck.
2. There are updated beneficiary forms available.

New Business:

1. Commissioner Colmenares inquired whether the Driver Policy needs to be revised to emphasize proficiency rather than hours of training and more closely conform to the checklist actually being used.

There being no further business and on a motion by Commissioner Trudo, seconded by Commissioner Cullen and unanimously carried, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Langan
Fire District Secretary-Treasurer