

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DeWITT FIRE DISTRICT
DeWITT, NEW YORK

March 25, 2025

Call to Order: Mr. Vander Molen called the meeting to order at 8:50PM.

Pledge: Mr. Vander Molen

Minutes: A motion by Mr. Skahen, seconded by Mr. Huyck to approve the minutes of the March 11th Regular Meeting. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Reports of Officer's: Chief Green reported the following:

1. He submitted the Station 2 quarterly report to the Town Board prior to the public hearing.
2. Phase 1 of physicals and medical screening for personnel were completed this week.

Treasurer's Report: None to report.

Vouchers: Ms. Fusco presented the Abstract of Claims Report. (Addendum "A"). Motion made by Mr. Militi, seconded by Mr. Upton, to approve the General Fund Pre-paid transfer and ACH's amounting in total to \$112,927.23. Also, pending checks (35316– 35342) and ACH's amounting in total to \$171,684.46. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Bank Reconciliation: None.

Correspondence: None.

Response Statistics:

	DATE	GENERAL	E.M.S.	TOTAL
Year-To-Date Response Stats:	02/28/2025	269	319	588
	02/28/2024	143	233	376

Training Requests: A motion by Mr. Huyck and seconded by Mr. Upton to amend the travel requests for the pre-construction trip (\$225.09) and the Chief's Career Chief Meeting (\$21.72). All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Building Use Request: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Apparatus and Equipment:

1. Capt. Pienkowski, LT Gancarz, and LT Burns traveled to Dublin, OH for the pumper pre-construction meter. The district is currently awaiting the change orders for review.
2. New Tahoe was received last week. It is currently at the shop for branding and lettering. The remainder upfitting will be scheduled shortly.
3. E-8 had transmission and air system repair completed.

Buildings and Grounds:

4. The Town has purchased a new air compressor for Station 2, waiting for delivery.
5. There was a heat pump failure in the antique bay of Station 1. Exploring options for repair/replacement.
6. Modular Mechanical completed the repair to the heat pump in dorms of Station 1.

Finance: Ms. Fusco continues to work on the 2026 budget.

Long-Range Planning: None

Personnel/Staffing:

7. The two new recruits are in week 7 of the academy.
8. Commissioner Vander Molen and Skahen attended their second contract negotiations meeting with the PFA.

Legal: Effective immediately, the DeWitt Fire District officially has expanded its district into what was previously the East Syracuse Fire Protection District.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Emergency HVAC Repair: A motion by Mr. Huyck, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to authorize the emergency HVAC repair at Station 1 in the amount of \$1,738.40. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

CPR Machine Replacement: A motion by Mr. Militi, seconded by Mr. Upton, to authorize the replacement of one CPR machine to be paid for using DFD donations in the amount of \$28,554.45, pending approval by the DFD. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

CPR Machine Purchase: A motion by Mr. Militi, seconded by Mr. Upton, to authorize the purchase of an additional CPR machine in the amount of \$28,554.45, to be paid for using equipment reserve funds. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Loose Equipment for Fire Pumper: A motion by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to authorize the purchase of fire equipment for the new pumper in the amount of \$49,462 (Fire hose - \$10,707, Fire hose - \$14,970, Suction strainers and master stream appliances - \$10,775, various nozzles, appliances, and hose fittings \$13,010). All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel and legal matter. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 9:30PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Skahen, seconded by Mr. Militi, to return to the General Session. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 9:47PM.

No business was conducted during the Executive Session.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn by Mr. Militi, seconded by Mr. Huyck. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 9:48PM.

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Huyck, Militi, Skahen, Upton, and Vander Molen. Chief Green, Deputy Chief Cowan, Ms. Fusco, Mr. Steinberg, Mr. Serio, and LT Gancarz.

Kerrie Fusco
Secretary
March 25, 2025