

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
DeWITT FIRE DISTRICT  
DeWITT, NEW YORK

January 06, 2026

**Call to Order:** Mr. Vander Molen called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

**Pledge:** Mr. Vander Molen

**Minutes:** A motion by Mr. Skahen, seconded by Mr. Upton, to approve the minutes of the December 23<sup>rd</sup> Regular Meeting. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

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

1. Waiting for year-end financials to compile the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter reports.
2. Continues to have dialogue with state partners on legislative reform for the fire service.
3. Chief was invited to meet with the new Jamesville Fire chief's line.
4. The District continues to monitor the water conservation efforts. The District has adjusted and made accommodation in the North as recommended by the Town Highway Superintendent.
5. Working to set up an organization meeting with the PFA, Benevolent, and DFD to revisit open items from 2025.
6. Exploring the new domain requirements for municipalities and how to best implement.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ms. Fusco reported that she is working on the year-end financials and will start preparing the 2025 Annual Financial Report that is due to NYS Office of State Comptroller by February 28<sup>th</sup>. She also reported that she is having issues with NYS and the 2% money.

**Vouchers:** Ms. Fusco presented the Abstract of Claims Report. (Addendum "A"). Motion made by Mr. Huyck, seconded by Mr. Zappola, to approve the General Fund Pre-paid transfer and ACH's amounting in total to \$139,213.94. Also, pending checks (35751-35769) and ACH's amounting in total to \$143,122.18. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

**Bank Reconciliation:** None.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Response Statistics:**

Year-To-Date Response Stats:	DATE	GENERAL	E.M.S.	TOTAL
	12/31/2025	1,640	1,791	3,431
	12/31/2024	962	1,436	2,398

**Training/Travel Requests:** A motion was made by Mr. Huyck, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to authorize the following training requests. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

1. Chief Green – NYS Association of Fire Chief’s Fire EMS Expo (Uniondale, NY) – lodging, registration, parking, per diem.

**Building Use Request:** A motion was made by Mr. Upton, seconded by Mr. Huyck, to authorize the building use request from Pointe East Homeowners Association (2/3, 3/10, 4/8). All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Apparatus and Equipment:** None

**Buildings and Grounds:** Working through boiler issues. In the process of transitioning to new HVAC vendor.

**Finance:** Ms. Fusco will request payment from Town Tax Receiver for 2026 taxes.

**Long-Range Planning:** None

**Personnel/Staffing:** Will request permanent appointments for new personnel. Waiting for a response from civil service for one of the new hires.

**Legal:** Items for executive session.

## **Executive Session:**

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Mr. Huyck, to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 7:05PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Huyck, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to return to the General Session. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 8:14PM.

No business was conducted during the Executive Session.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **Key Fob/ Camera Bids:**

The District only received one bid back for the key fob and camera system. The District will rebid after Mr. Huyck and Chief Green meet to discuss the bid wording.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Appointment of New Hires:**

A motion was made by Mr. Skahen, seconded by Mr. Upton, to authorize the permanent appointment of the following new hires. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

1. Jonathan Bloom – Paramedic (lateral)
2. Tyler Wallace – EMT (lateral)
3. Mary View – EMT (lateral)
4. Joshua Jones – EMT (reappointment)
5. Erik Deysenroth – EMT (eligible list)
6. Katya Quinn – EMT (eligible list)
7. Niklas Brazie – Paramedic (eligible list)

#### **Equipment Purchase – Gear Dryer:**

A motion was made by Mr. Huyck, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to authorize the Chief to purchase a new gear dryer for Station 2 in the amount of \$7,020 from Colden Fire. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

#### **Equipment Purchase – Lockers:**

A motion was made by Mr. Zappola, seconded by Mr. Upton, to authorize the Chief to purchase new lockers in an amount not to exceed \$7,800 for new hires. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

#### **Equipment Purchase – Mattresses:**

A motion was made by Mr. Zappola, seconded by Mr. Upton, to authorize the Chief to purchase new mattresses in the amount of \$3,060 for new hires from firehousebeds.com. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

#### **Equipment Purchase – Laptop:**

A motion was made by Mr. Zappola, seconded by Mr. Upton, to authorize the Chief to purchase a new laptop and accessories in an amount not to exceed \$1,500. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Huyck, seconded by Mr. Skahen, to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 7:38PM.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Skahen, seconded by Mr. Huyck. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 8:33PM.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE:**

Commissioners: Huyck, Skahen, Upton, Vander Molen, and Zappola. Chief Green, Ms. Fusco, LT Dixon, FF Minckler, FF Tiss, Mr. Steinberg, Mr. Natoli, and Mr. Ruckdeschel.

Kerrie Fusco  
Secretary  
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