

BARNARD FIRE DISTRICT  
Regular Meeting  
October 9, 2023

*Present: Commissioners Gerhard, Cappon, Diederich, Williams, Norris, Chief Steve Andrews, Secretary Treasurer Sandy Ballou,*

*The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.*

*We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Chief Andrews*

*Chairperson Gerhard asked to join him in a moment of silence for all the people who were part of the Barnard family and those who were touched by the Barnard family that are no longer with us. Also, all our men and women first responders who do battle every day.*

*Anyone from the public need to bring anything to the Board currently?*

*There was no one from the public in attendance.*

*Chairperson Gerhard asked if we received any correspondence since our last meeting.*

- The preliminary proposed budget information has been taken to the Town of Greece as required by law. A legal notice regarding the public hearing on October 17<sup>th</sup> has been sent to the Daily Record to be published this week.*
- We received two letters of appreciation for two different calls, one from Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> and one for August 25. Job well done to all involved.*

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 11, 2023. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.*

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 28, 2023. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.*

*Chief Andrews -*

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Monthly Chiefs Report ~ October 9th, 2023

Year 2023 Total Runs 2921

January 339 February 294 March 306 April 320 May 308 June 311

July 328 August 349 September 366

<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
6	43	Fires in Structures
1	2	Vehicle Fires
0	9	Brush, Field, Outside Fires
4	20	Dumpster, Rubbish and all other fires
7	80	MVA
251	2017	EMS
0	2	Rescue events (land searches, rope, water/ice, RTF, trench, elevator)
32	220	Auto Alarms
5	39	Mutual Aid Given
17	113	Hazardous Conditions (fumes, gas leaks, CO, wires down)
43	376	All other Service calls (lock outs, water problems, good intent etc.)

**Updates from the Fire Chief.**

The month of September has now exceeded August as the busiest month of the year, with 366 alarms.

All four career groups participated this past week in the town wide in-service live fire training at the North Greece training grounds. Both engines' crews along with our Duty Officer participated in multiple daily sessions, which allowed the other crews to remain available and coverage was maintained without additional staffing.

The 2018 Tahoe has been sold to the successful sealed bid, received from Pittsford Ambulance in the amount of 31,000.00 There were no bids received for the 2016 Tahoe.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve that an email will go out to all personnel to open bids for our 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe, mileage 101,000, The bid will be open for 24 hours and will

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*stipulate the vehicle will be sold with cash on delivery, and as is. 4 Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. 1 abstention. Motion carried.*

*RFFT continues and has now passed the mid-point. Both recruits continue to perform well, and the injury has been cleared, with makeup work underway for portions missed.*

*E-225 turbo repairs were completed by the Cummins dealer last week. The apparatus is going to Hawk Frame and Axle next. Once that work is completed, E-224 will be going to Hawk for those body repairs.*

*Volunteer training remediation plan for 2023 has been communicated to the active Dept FF's*

*Meetings are underway with Monroe County Public Safety groups to seek the support and technology assistance to install MPS in our apparatus along with North Greece. At this time, the plan involves both Barnard and North Greece moving to "unit-based dispatching" which will include Ridge Road as the 3 Districts strive to send the closest available unit for alarms.*

*Planning stages are in process for hiring FFs in 2024 due to normal attrition. We have a repair option for the station elevator with a cost estimate. Scheduling and budget need to be addressed next.*

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Cappon to pull the firefighter list to start the process to hire 1 firefighter, with authorization for the Chief to hire a prescreened candidate from the last previous interviews, so that they are ready to go during the first quarter of 2024. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

*After much research, we believe we have determined the issue with the majority of our Unication pagers receiving Ops 5. Programming updates will be available shortly.*

*The FDNY FLSTP dates for 2024 have been rolled out and registration will now be included in the NYS ACADIS system. Currently we have 5 LTs, required to complete this training program.*

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*Please welcome FF Brennan Hyman to our arsenal of MFI's. He was omitted from last month's report.*

*The engine committee is underway and meeting this week. It is a large committee in size, however, with the time necessary to address the components of the spec, this will allow the work to be divided up as appropriate. The committee is being chaired by Assistant Chief Dorgan, and includes Commissioner Norris, Lt's Daloia and Boss, and FF's Carstairs and Davis.*

***Community Risk Reduction Division:***

*Monthly Report: September 2023*

*Submitted By: Dean Smith*

*The 2023/24 school year is off to a busy start. I have been in the schools and have met the new teachers and school administrators. I have also been working on my fall, fire safety schedule. This past week I presented kitchen safety programs at the Villa of Hope.*

*The month of October is Fire Prevention Month and Fire Prevention Week is October 9th through 15th. The National Fire Protection Association has selected "Cooking Safety starts with you! Pay attention to fire prevention" with an emphasis on preventing the leading cause of fire in the United States as their 2023 campaign slogan.*

*Fire Prevention Week looks a little different this year. Many of our traditional events and activities that take place during Fire Prevention Week will once again occur. The Ridge Road Fire District will host the Town Memorial Service on Sunday, October 8th at 1 pm.*

*The Town Fire Service will be hosting an Open House at Greece Athena High School on Saturday, October 14th. Each agency along with the Greece Police Department, Monroe Ambulance, Town of Greece Highway Department and the Greece Central School District will be on hand with static displays. This year families will be able to park their vehicles and walk through the static displays. Each agency will focus on a different safety message. This event has become an*

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*annual event and has replaced our traditional Fire Prevention Week Open House.*

*Our annual “Win A Ride to School on A Fire Truck” contest is taking place this month. Students and their families are asked to make a home fire escape plan and have a fire drill in their home to enter the contest. One lucky student from each school will be selected for the grand prize of riding a fire truck to school in the morning.*

*A new event has been added to this year’s Fire Prevention Week Calander. The fire departments in town have teamed up with Mark’s Pizzeria and the American Red Cross to deliver smoke alarms and pizza. The promotion will take place on Tuesday, October 10th and Thursday, October 12th. The fire departments will deliver a customer’s order to their home. If they have working smoke alarms in their home, they get their order for free. If they need smoke alarms the fire service will install them for the family free of charge.*

*Summary of Programs*

*Location Date Program*

*Lake Shore FD 9/12/23 Car set check, five seats inspected.*

*Villa of Hope 9/25/23 Kitchen safety, four classes, nine students*

*Scheduled Events*

*English Village School 10/4/23 Kindergarten programs*

*Lake Shore FD 10/10/23 Child Passenger Safety Seat Fitting Station*

*Mark’s Pizzeria 10/10/23 Smoke alarm program*

*Longridge School 10/11/23 fifth grade programs*

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*Greece Athena High School 10/14/23 Open House*

*Longridge School 10/25/23 fourth grade programs*

*Longridge School 10/30/23 third grade programs*

*Longridge School 11/2/23 Kindergarten programs*

*English Village School 11/6/23 first grade programs*

***Respectfully Submitted,***

*Stephen M. Andrews*

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***Fire Chief***

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**Resolution 23-29:** By Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Norris to sell the 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe, mileage 65,000 to the Pittsford Ambulance Company at a bid price of \$31,000 (which was the only bid received)

Poll of Board Members –

Commissioner Diederich	-	yes
Commissioner Cappon	-	yes
Chairman Gerhard	-	yes
Commissioner Norris	-	yes
Commissioner Williams	-	yes

5 Yes Votes – 0 No Votes

**Resolution 23-30:** By Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Diederich to accept sealed bids to purchase from our Career and Active Volunteer staff; due on Thursday October 12th, 2023, at 09:00 hours, for the sale of the surplus 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe. The vehicle is being sold “as is” and in the present condition and does not include any form of a warranty or guarantee, stated nor implied. The Barnard Fire District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The vehicle will be available for pick up and transfer of ownership on October 18th, 2023.

Poll of Board Members –

Commissioner Diederich	-	yes
Commissioner Cappon	-	Abstain
Chairman Gerhard	-	yes
Commissioner Norris	-	yes
Commissioner Williams	-	yes

4 Yes Votes – 0 No Votes

1 abstention

**MOTION:** Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve Chief Andrews report for October 9, 2023, as read and discussed. All

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Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Cappon The CD for the District savings account in the amount of \$2,500,000 was renewed for 30 days and is up on Friday, at this time I would suggest moving \$1,000,000 back to savings account and leave \$1,500,000 in for 60 days. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Williams The CD for the District renovation account in the amount of \$400,000 will be cashed out and the \$1,000,000 CD Sandy is recommending renewing it for another 30 days. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

Commissioner Williams – No report

Commissioner Diederich – Bob attended the Town Wide Memorial Service. There seemed to be less attendance than in past years.

Commissioner Norris – John thanked Comm. Diederich and Assistant Chief Dorgan for attending the town wide Memorial.

Commissioner Cappon – Building Renovations moving along. Encouraged all commissioners to attend a Wednesday meeting with the contractors.

Chairperson Gerhard

– Asked which commissioners will be attending the McNeil & Company Client Appreciation Dinner on Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Commissioner Gerhard and wife Jackie, Comm Norris and wife Linda and Comm Diederich will attend.

- With 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary coming, he would like to consider making (along with the Department) a time capsule or memorial of some sort with a marked location.

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**MOTION:** Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve all invoices as audited on October 9<sup>th</sup>, All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Cappon to approve the Treasurer Report for September 2023, All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Williams to adjourn. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed. No abstentions. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Sandy Ballou/Pattie Morris

District Secretaries

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