

## MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

May 22, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** 7:00 pm

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:** 7:01 pm

**Present:** Commissioners Bob Napier, Brian Meservey, Dave Meservey and Jonathan Krill;  
Administrator Dimana Pineo, Treasurer Dennis Riley, Attorney Alyssa Snyder,  
Association President Brian Caney, Captains Brian Meservey Jr and Phil Giguere,  
Firefighter Jon Monaghan

**Absent:** Commissioner John Krill, Chief Nick DiNovo, Assistant Chief Jon Politis,  
Attorney Greg Serio

## PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:

*Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bob Napier.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

*All in favor, motion carried.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer reported that as of April 30, 2025, the District's funds totaled \$2,164,032.90.

*Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bob Napier.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

*All in favor, motion carried.*

**BILLS: \$76,372.41**

Company	Amount
Access Compliance	\$1,065.00
Admar Supply Company, Inc.	\$204.00
AramSCO Inc.	\$68.22
Bound Tree Medical LLC	\$994.62
Capital One	\$2,518.99
Casella Waste Services	\$88.56
Cedar Tree Properties	\$330.00
Chris' Coffee Service, Inc.	\$210.80
Comalli Group, INC	\$649.46
Culligan Troy, NY	\$74.40
Dennis Riley	\$1,029.68
Doyle Security Systems	\$479.04
Hoffman Car Wash Circle, LLC	\$85.00
Home Depot	\$355.12
J. Ellrott Excavating, Inc	\$745.00
Jasiewicz, Thomas	\$148.40
McNeil & Company*	\$42,413.00
MES	\$2,664.06
NAPA Auto Parts	\$116.46
National Grid	\$1,875.47
National Trench Safety	\$405.00
Northeast IS	\$3,172.49
NY Fire Equipment	\$158.74
PenFlex, Inc.	\$2,627.00
Pro Tech Automatic Lawn Sprinklers	\$207.50
Ti Sales	\$6,203.51
Times Union	\$41.49
Town of Colonie	\$1,440.40
Travelers	\$2,052.00
UniFirst Corporation	\$98.72
Upstate Elevator Inspection Service	\$280.00
Verizon	\$638.39

*\*The invoice for the annual insurance renewal has not been generated by the insurance company, however we have records of how much the renewal will cost from the Fire District's insurance agent with a renewal date of June 1, 2025. Administrator Dimana Pineo will add the invoice to the purchase order when received.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills presented before the Board of Fire Commissioners at tonight's meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

FASNY 153<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention delegate designation form

Two letters from the Verdooy Fire Association Secretary, Christina Meservey:

- The Fire Association has voted to accept Zoe Seeley for a 6-month probationary period as a Restricted Firefighter
- The Fire Association has voted to accept Jon Monaghan for the position of Second Assistant Chief - Car 63

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to accept Zoë Seeley as new probationary member of the Verdooy Volunteer Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried. Welcome aboard Zoë Seeley!***

## **PUBLIC SESSION:**

1 member of the public; no comments

## SPECIAL REPORTS:

### ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT BRIAN CANEY:

1. Community Room - Executive Session

2. LOSAP - Did it change to \$30 a month for this year?

*Discussion regarding Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP). The monthly benefit payment remains at \$20.*

3. Meeting Minutes from last month about Residency Requirements that they are Association Business

*Discussion regarding Residency Requirements and record keeping.*

*At the last month's meeting, the Verdoy Fire Association Body voted Jon Monaghan as Second Assistant Chief - Car 63. Association President Brian Caney would like to request that the Verdoy Fire District's Board of Fire Commission accept and approve Jon Monaghan as Second Assistant Chief.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Bob Napier to accept Jon Monaghan as Second Assistant Chief of the Verdoy Volunteer Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x				
Bob Napier	x				
Brian Meservey	x				
Jonathan Krill				x	
John Krill					x

***Motion carried. Welcome 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief Monaghan!***

### RESOLUTION 25-32

WHERE AS, Jon Monaghan has been recommended to the Verdoy Board of Fire Commissioners as 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief of the Department (Car 63) for the year 2025 by the Verdoy Fire Association and,

WHERE AS, the Verdoy Board of Fire Commissioners is aware that Jon Monaghan resides in the Latham Fire District in the Town of Colonie,

WHERE AS, the Latham Fire District is a district in which the Verdoy Fire Department responds to on Mutual Aid Calls and,

WHERE AS, Jon Monaghan has proven himself as an effective Officer since responding from his current residence then...

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Verdoy Board of Fire Commissioners does accept and approve the nomination of Jon Monaghan as 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief of the Department for 2025.

Oath of Office taken by 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief Jon Monaghan

**ATTORNEY GREG SERIO (THE D'AMATO LAW GROUP):**

— No Report Provided —

**CHIEF'S REPORTS:**

**CHIEF NICK DiNOVO:**

1. With the bailout simulator bids due at the time of the meeting, I would like to schedule the construction with the bid winner as soon as possible. With that being said, I would also like to begin the process of relocating the equipment in storage out of that area and to a different location within the Mezzanine. This way we can start constructing the firefighting props and simulated bedroom. I would like to coordinate efforts with the Association and the Commissioners in order to move the equipment without impinging on anyone else's belonging.
2. Captain Meservey and Giguere were at the New York City Fire Academy last weekend for hands-on training. I would like to thank The Commissioners for supporting the training. It was a great opportunity for our Officers to experience training outside of the Town of Colonie at such a widely known facility.
3. The New York State Chiefs show is coming up in June, I believe there are a few members that are interested in attending. If it is OK with the Commissioners, would they be allowed to take department vehicles to Syracuse to attend the show?

*The attendees at last year's New York State Association of Fire Chiefs (NYS AFC) Annual Conference & FIRE Expo used a department vehicle for travel to Syracuse. Attendees at this year's conference have Board approval to use a department vehicle.*

4. The New York City Fire Department is hosting a symposium on High Rise Fire Operations in NYC in October. I would like to attend and I would like to offer it to the membership as well. I do not know the cost as of yet, I will bring more information to the meeting in June.
5. Finally, the nomination for the Association body for the 2nd Assistant Chief position: As you know, Jon Monaghan has been elected by the Association and nominated to the Commissioners for approval. As the Chief, I am asking for your support. It is crucial that this position gets filled. As you know, Chief Politis is out of the State for several months for work and we have been back-filling the position with a Captain, which typically is not an issue as a temporary replacement. When I am on call for work, both Captains end up having to be in cars, which may hinder the operation of either of them being able to manage the apparatus during an emergency call.

I know there are concerns about John's commitment, but I assure you that will no longer be an issue. I personally guarantee that I will manage the situation and see to it that this is a thing of the past. Jon is very committed to this Chief's position, and I trust he will do a great job and put forth the effort. Jon has spent several hours and taking his personal time to conduct pump/driver training for the last several months with the day staff and any other member who has attended. Jon brings to the table several years of experience on both the career and volunteer side and his experience will help educate, lead and manage our Officers and members.

If you have any questions regarding this or anything during the meeting, please do not hesitate to reach out.

*Captain Phil Giguere would like to thank the Board of Fire Commissioners for approving travel and attendance at Training at the Rock. The training was very beneficial.*

*The new boat is delayed. More information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to approve the list of items to be decommissioned from inventory. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

*Motion made by Commissioner Bob Napier to approve funds of up to \$355 for the installation of one stream light box with charger in Car 63. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

## **2<sup>ND</sup> ASSISTANT CHIEF JON POLITIS:**

I'm sorry that I can't be there! There is an agenda item that I'd like to discuss though. It's the "give aways" to kids for fire prevention week.

Every year we give away coloring books, pencils and other stuff that is likely in the trash before the next day. I'd like to see us do a "give away" with a better PR value: Verdoy Fire Department t-shirts to the kids.

Dimana had gotten prices and they are competitive! While it does cost more, the PR and potential recruiting value is immense. Dimana has received quotes and it's an item that should be discussed and decided on soon. It would be good to get them ordered and on hand before the end of summer.

*Discussion regarding Fire Prevention and budgeting. The Board of Fire Commissioners would like to refer this topic of discussion to the Verdoy Fire Association as it would present a great opportunity for community engagement and recruitment. If the Fire Association votes to approve this expense, the Fire District Administrator will work with them on the design and completion of the order.*

## COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

### CHAIRMAN DAVE MESERVEY:

Discussion regarding:

- Firefly

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to enter into a new contract with Firefly Admin Inc. for the third-party management of the Verdoy Fire District's Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

*Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to terminate the current contract with Penflex for the third-party management of the Verdoy Fire District's Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

*Discussion regarding the Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) program. Craig Relyea from Firefly Admin Inc. will attend a future meeting of the Verdoy Volunteer Fire Association.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to make a contribution in the amount of \$71,243 to the Verdoy Fire District's Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

- Insurance - Commissioner Napier report
- Discussing of reserved parking spots for firefighters.

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to approve funds of up to \$500 for the purchase of signs, paint and other supplies to paint designated firefighter parking spots red. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

- ~~Bid opening for bail out simulator~~
- Executive session - two
- No report on personnel committee
- Update on water meter change out - something needs to be added by commissioner Jon Krill
- Sale of Holmatro tools (hoses and pumps) to Pleasantdale FD

**COMMISSIONER ROBERT NAPIER:**

1. The LOSAP Individual Participant Statement Letters from Penflex have arrived. They will be distributed to members in the coming weeks.
2. The vehicle and property insurance renewal are coming up due June 1, 2025. This year's premium is \$3,305 higher than last year's.



Expiring Premium: \$39,108  
Renewal Premium: \$42,413

1. We have received a quote for cancer policy coverage from ESIP to ensure that we are getting a competitive rate. Their premium is higher than our current provider for the same benefits.

Current cancer policy renewal for term January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2026 for 17 active Interior Firefighters, 3 active Exterior Firefighters and 12 former active firefighters: \$3,672

ESIP Quote: \$4,115.20

**COMMISSIONER JOHN KRILL:**

— No Report Provided —

**COMMISSIONER JONATHAN KRILL:**

1. Still working on finding someone to clean the fuel out of the old generator

2. Have the new price from cummings to do the yearly maintenance for the new generator *Cummins has provided a proposal for the annual generator maintenance at a cost of \$1,338.46 per year. The 5-year total comes to \$6692.30. The new maintenance fee will be discussed in the upcoming fire district budget workshop.*

3. Talked to Bob from Comalli, the old invoice has now been changed and the additional bill for Comalli with the generator is also good to go. *Comalli did not provide their updated invoice prior to the Commissioners' meeting to be entered in the outstanding bills abstract for approval. However, the Board of Fire Commissioners have discussed and approved the bill and have authorized Administrator Dimana Pineo to enter the outstanding invoice in QuickBooks and for Treasurer Dennis Riley to issue a payment check.*

*Light ballast in the washroom is broken. Comalli will be here on Tuesday May 27, 2025, to complete the repair.*

*Discussion regarding invoices and outstanding bill entry and payment protocols.*

*Discussion regarding a grounding wire issue. Commissioner Jonathan Krill will contact Tom Jasiewicz to complete the repair.*

**COMMISSIONER BRIAN MESERVEY:**

1. User cell phone discussion

*Discussion regarding fire district cell phone usage. The Fire District Attorneys will draft an opt-out form for anyone who does not wish to be issued a district cell phone. A Fire District Phone Policy will also be drafted by the attorneys.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to approve the purchase of 8 new phones for use by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Chiefs and District Administrator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

2. TV in the hallway getting fixed

*Discussion regarding building access keypad. The North side door keypad has been replaced.*

*Overhead door motor replacement: Commissioner Brian Meservey has obtained quotes for the project. He recommends All Type Professional Doors to complete the work.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to approve funds of up to \$22,000 and enter into a contract with All Type Professional Doors to replace 10 garage bay doors openers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-31**

**RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF  
SURPLUS EQUIPMENT  
BY SALE**

The Verdox Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners ("District") at a Meeting held on the 22 day of May, 2025, adopted the following resolution by majority vote:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 176 (23) of the Town Law, the Verdox Fire District, Town of Colonie, County of Albany, State of New York, Board of Fire Commissioners ("Board") does hereby declare the that its Cummins ONAN Genset DGFC Serial Number: C010213768 Type ST

(“Equipment”) Generator and transfer switch are no longer necessary for the purposes of the Fire District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District has determined it will advertise the sale of the Equipment with a reserve of \$9,000.00, such reserved is based upon a canvas of the market for such equipment of like age and condition; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that the Verdoy Fire District is authorized to dispose of its Equipment according to the Verdoy Fire District’s Policy for Disposal of Assets; and

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Verdoy Fire District will advertise the sale of the Equipment through a Notice to Bidders and acceptance of a proposal, with a reserve of \$9,000.00, for this Equipment.

*Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to adopt Resolution 25-31. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Entering Executive Session at 8:50 pm to discuss Verdoy Fire Association business.

*Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to enter an Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

***All in favor, motion carried.***

*Coming out of Executive Session at 9:39 pm.*

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Hearing no further business from the floor, a motion was made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bob Napier.*

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Bob Napier	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
John Krill				x

*All in favor, motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Dimana Pineo  
District Administrator