

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

March 19, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:01 PM

MOMENT OF SILENCE: 7:02 PM

Present: Commissioners Dave Meservey, Brian Meservey, Jonathan Krill, Mike Herritt and Louis Reale, Administrator Dimana Pineo, Treasurer Dennis Riley, Chief Nick DiNovo, Assistant Chief Jon Politis, Captain Phil Giguere, Attorney Greg Serio

Absent: Association President Brian Caney and Attorney Alyssa Snyder

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:

Motion made by Commissioner Louis Reale to waive the reading of and approve the previous month's minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer reported that as of February 28, 2026, the District's funds totaled \$2,249,224.89.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Louis Reale.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

BILLS: \$36,787.53

Company	Amount
Albany Fire Extinguisher	\$221.50
AramSCO Inc.	\$93.40
Awards by Walsh's & Creative Marketing	\$110.00
Blain's Bay Marina	\$975.00
Capital One	\$1,957.23
Casella Waste Services	\$154.76
Chris' Coffee Service, Inc.	\$136.20
Culligan Troy, NY	\$73.45
D'Amato Law Group, LLP	\$3,420.00
Dennis Riley	\$1,025.90
Dimana Pineo	\$2,182.06
Fire Engineering	\$34.95
Grainger	\$57.96
Hoffman Car Wash Circle, LLC	\$50.00
Home Depot	\$199.88
James Publishing	\$175.00
MES	\$1,904.94
NAPA Auto Parts	\$52.45
National Grid	\$4,726.75
Northeast IS	\$2,987.50
Oceanid Water Rescue Craft	\$154.00
Pro Tech Automatic Lawn Sprinklers	\$160.00
Stripes, The Sign Shop	\$1,185.00
TargetSolutions Learning, LLC	\$6,705.33
Times Union	\$42.99
Town of Colonie	\$577.89
UniFirst Corporation	\$82.13
Vander Molen Inc.	\$6,814.53
Verizon Wireless	\$526.73

Treasurer Dennis Riley has been authorized by the Board of Fire Commissioners to pay a tax refund to 6 BA Owners LLC in the amount of \$802.38.

Two bills for Target Solutions Learning LLC will be held for payment at this time until further instructions from Commissioner Brian Meservey.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey 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 Mike Herritt.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- *Letter from the Verdoy Fire Association regarding the status change of two members: David Kern's status has changed from Active to Associate and David Whitbourn's status has changed from Active to Expelled*
- *Town of Colonie Municipal Training Center Use Agreement for calendar year 2026*
- *Court order regarding a property assessment amendment and reduction of taxes for 6 BA LLC*

PUBLIC SESSION:

No members of the public present.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT BRIAN CANEY:

1. Inspection Dinner 2026 funding
2. Flag reimbursement and Chief's Drill Credit
3. Pending Membership status changes

Discussion regarding funding for the 2026 Inspection Dinner.

Discussion regarding truck display flag reimbursement and Chief's drill credit reimbursement. Administrator Dimana Pineo will send a letter to the Verdoy Fire Association requesting receipts for the Chief's Drill expenses to be reviewed by the Board at next month's meeting.

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

— No Report Provided —

Discussion regarding an additional business tax bracket being introduced and exceeding of the annual 2% budget tax cap.

Attorney Greg Serio will draft a letter to the State Comptroller asking for an informal clarification regarding Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) requirements.

CHIEFS' REPORTS:

CHIEF NICK DiNOVO:

1. Would like to have a follow up discussion on the email I sent regarding standby credit/notifications.

Discussion regarding standby credits and notification to department members.

2. Would like to purchase two (2) new nozzles to complete the rear hose bed project on Truck 11. I will send the quotes when I receive them or have them for the meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to authorize the purchase of 2 new nozzles for Truck 11. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Louis Reale.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

3. Would like to replace our Nomex hoods with particulate blocking hoods. I will send the quote or have it for the meeting.

This topic will be discussed at a later date.

4. Would like to have a discussion on a long-term equipment and apparatus plan.

Discussion regarding long-term plan for the department's equipment and apparatus.

5. Would like to purchase a new I-Pad and mount, I have attached a quote for a new mount.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to authorize the purchase of 1 new Apple iPad (A16). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

6. Would like to add a stripe to the existing lettering that was completed on Marine 11, I will have a quote for the meeting.
7. Update on the status of the boat dock.

Discussion regarding docking of the department's fireboat - Marine 11. A new floating dock will need to be purchased, and a canal permit application will have to be filed.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to authorize the submission of a permit application to the New York State Canal Corporation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion regarding District Vehicle Policy revisions. A draft of the policy will be reviewed by the Board of Fire Commissioners and revisited at next month's meeting.

1ST ASSISTANT CHIEF JON POLITIS:

— No Report Provided —

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN DAVE MESERVEY:

Hot water pump, as of March 12, 2026, is still down. Awaiting parts to repair.
Repairs have been completed with no further issues arising.

I will be at the meeting with the auxiliary on March 12th if there is anything from them I will be up on the 19th.

COMMISSIONER BRIAN MESERVEY:

- IT switchover update

Target date for switchover is April 1, 2026

- Returning of key fobs/ID cards when members leave/change status

Commissioner Brian Meservey would like to send an official letter to the Verdoy Fire Association regarding return of ID cards and key fobs when members voluntarily leave or are expelled from the department.

COMMISSIONER JONATHAN KRILL:

— No Report Provided —

Discussion regarding removal of the old diesel station generator from the fire station's property.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to authorize Ben Weitsman of Albany to remove and scrap the old Cummins ONAN diesel station generator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Krill.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER LOUIS REALE:

— No Report Provided —

COMMISSIONER MIKE HERRITT:

- 483 insurance claim has been submitted
- LOSAP final numbers will be submitted

❖ 8:06 pm: Brief Meeting Break

❖ 8:15 pm: Meeting resumed

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Entering Executive Session at 8:17 pm to discuss personnel matters and Colonie operations cars.

Motion made by Commissioner Brian Meservey to enter an Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mike Herritt.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

Coming out of Executive Session at 9:42 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business from the floor, a motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Krill to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Meservey.

COMMISSIONER	AYE	NAY	OPPOSED	ABSENT
Dave Meservey	x			
Brian Meservey	x			
Jonathan Krill	x			
Mike Herritt	x			
Louis Reale	x			

All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dimana Pineo
District Administrator