

Goshen Fire District

Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2026

I. Call to order:

Chairman Pearson called to order the regular meeting of the Goshen Fire District at 6:00 PM on March 19, 2026 in Goshen, NY. Unless otherwise stated, all of the resolutions/motions were approved by unanimous vote of the commissioners present and such persons were present during each vote unless otherwise indicated.

II. Attendees:

The following people were present: Chairman Pearson, Commissioner Shovlin, Commissioner Donnelly, Commissioner Gonzales, Commissioner Gallo, Secretary Roberts, Treasurer McPhee, Chief Easop, Assistant Chief Gambuti, Past Chief Budd

Absent: Assistant Chief Graham

III. Approval of minutes meeting:

A motion was made by Commissioner Donnelly and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to approve the minutes of the monthly meeting held on February 19, 2026. All Commissioners present in favor. Motion passed.

IV. Correspondence:

- Received paperwork from Penflex for members who will be receiving increase in their monthly payments.
- Paperwork has been signed and sent to Penflex/UBS for Terence Reynolds, Robert Homer and William Scolza to start receiving their LOSAP Payments.
- Sent the paperwork back to Florida Fire District with a letter stating that they need to submit the bills for the injured firefighter to their insurance.
- Received a request for Daniel Fagelman to start driver training on 935.
- Received change of status paperwork from Minisink Hook & Ladder as follows:
Active to Honorary – Joseph DeNisco, Brendan Folkl, Sean Duurloo
- Received a request for a transfer for Dylan McCarthy from the Dikeman Engine & Hose Company to the Minisink Hook & Ladder Company.
- Need to approve UBS to reallocate Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund to First Eagle Global Allocation.
- Received a letter from Captain Caruso with regards to setting up the Committee for the next Tower Ladder.

V. Treasurer Report :

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gonzales to approve checks for Abstract #4 (Prepaid) in the amount of \$12,733.03, and abstract #5 (Monthly & Capital Bills) in the amount of \$152,379.04 for a total of \$165,112.07. All Commissioners present in favor. Motion passed.
- Received our town tax check and money has been moved to NYClass and Capital funds.
- AFR is underway and should be done in the next couple of weeks.

VI. Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Pearson:

- 8 Truck checks completed.
- 931 – Added DEF and topped off fluids. Cleaned Battery Terminals
- 932 – Added DEF, Diag Regen, Adjusted Tire Pressure
- 933 – Topped off fluids. Trans Cooler lines have been ordered.
- 934 – Added DEF. Diag Regen
- 935 – Replaced tires.
- 936 – Added DEF, topped off fluids, lube chassis
- 937 – While at Firematic found a leak in the Pump Cooler – ordered a new. Until it comes in will try and bypass it. Will run a pressure test. Will know within the next couple of days if we can pick it up. Received the letter from Captain Caruso about the tower committee. Told him that it wouldn't be until next year and then it would be the 3 sitting chief's, 3 captains and 2 commissioners.
- 938 – Replaced batteries
- 939 – Tires to be replaced week of March 23.
- DC (940) – No Report
- 941 – No Report
- Car 1 – Full service. Replaced batteries, front and back brakes, Rotated tires, NYSI
- Need to go to executive session for personnel matter.

Commissioner Shovlin:

- Order Ice Suits and supplies.

Commissioner Donnelly:

Station 1:

- No Report.

Station 2:

- Double Doors – both sets not working.

Station 3:

- Door to Bays not working
- Refrigerator in District Kitchen needs to be replaced.

- Need to put a bid out for Electrician.

Commissioner Gallo:

- ATV Training is set for May 3 with May 2 as a backup date.
- March 23, 2026 defensive driving class at Station 3 starting at 9AM.
- Informed GOVAC to use our PO box and not the members address going forward.
- Meet with insurance company at the May worksession.

Commissioner Gonzales: No Report

VII. Chief's Reports

Chief Easop:

- Took care of the personnel issues.
- Need to approve the policy on Conduct and Law Enforcement. Will be sending this to all 3 houses and will request from the captain and president that they sign they received a copy and it was read at the monthly meeting and sent to all members.

Assistant Chief Graham:

Training

- Basic skills will be twice per month – Monday will be Ladder Co. and Tuesday will be Engine.
- Out of County training for Michael Ossentjuk – Rockland on 4/27

Equipment

- Damaged Ice Suits have been sent out for repair.
- Order 3 more suits and equipment
- Knox Box forms need to be signed so 2 new keys can be replaced (Car 2 and 3).
- Will need to purchase halligans/hooks to replace ones lost.
- Charger will be installed in 937 once it comes back
- Car scheduled for bumper repair next week
- Currently working on repairs to 911 cross-band repeater. Waiting on quote.
- Missing several portable radios (county and department). Will be asking each company to account for them at council meeting.
- Beginning work on an updated UHF program.
- RedNMX – 2025 reports have been filed.
NERIS is functioning as planned. Waiting for LOSAP report on the kiosk to point to NERIS.
Still having issues with District and alarm box not auto populating and the kiosk not opening at the end of mutual aid alarm.
- Request that we host meetings in Microsoft Teams.

Assistant Chief Gambuti:

- Calls – February 39.
- Working on getting physicals back in the firehouse.
- Need to approve SOGS for Engine & Squad.
- Working on getting all village fire hydrants in I Am Responding. Town Fire Hydrant and Solar Panels are all in I Am Responding.
- Working on getting Knox Boxes into I Am Responding.

VIII. Old Business:

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gonzales to accept the SOGS for Engine & Squad Company Operations. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gonzales, Gallo and Donnelly voted yes. Motion passed.
- Received the three quotes for the damage at Station 2 and 3. Advanced Disaster Recovery (DKI) is the lowest quote. Will get clarification on a couple of questions and will award accordingly.

IX. New Business:

- A motion was made by Commissioner Donnelly and seconded by Commissioner Shovlin to allow Dylan McCarthy to transfer from Dikeman Engine & Hose Company to Minisink Hook & Ladder Company. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gonzales, Gallo and Donnelly voted yes. Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to allow Daniel Fagelman to begin driver training on 935. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gonzales, Gallo and Donnelly voted yes. Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Donnelly to accept the new policy with regards to Conduct of members and Law Enforcement. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gonzales, Gallo and Donnelly voted yes. Motion passed.

- A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gonzales to allow UBS to reallocate the Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund to First Eagle Global Allocation. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gonzales, Gallo and Donnelly voted yes. Motion passed.
- Upon a motion made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo a resolution was made to allow FF Michael Ossentjuk to attend the leadership training in Rockland County on April 27, 2026 and use the van. and use car 2 as transportation: (Attachment A) A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Pearson, Shovlin, Gonzales, Gallo and Donnelly voted yes. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Gallo will contact the Village Board to ask them to come to a meeting to discuss various issues.

X. Public Participation: None

XI. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Commissioner Shovlin and seconded by Commissioner Gallo to adjourn to executive session at 8:00. All Commissioners present in favor. Motion passed. As there is nothing to vote on will be adjourn directly from executive session.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen A. Roberts, Secretary

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE VOLUNTEER TO ATTEND TRAINING
SCHOOL AND INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES OUT OF COUNTY**

DATE OF RESOLUTION - March 19, 2026

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law §72-g authorizes volunteer members of the department to attend training schools or courses of instruction for firefighters provided the fire chief authorizes such training, and such authorization is subject to the rules or regulations made by the Board of Fire Commissioners, and

WHEREAS, when the training school or the offered course is located outside the county or outside one of the counties in which the fire district is located, the authorization to attend the school or conference must receive prior approval of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

WHEREAS, before this Board of Fire Commissioners is a request by Michael Ossentjuk a volunteer or volunteers with the Goshen Fire Department to attend out-of-county training at Rockland County on April 27, 2026 for the following type of training: Leadership

and to use the van for transportation.

NOW THEREFORE, the request before the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Goshen Fire District by the above listed name(s) of volunteer(s) with the Goshen Fire Department to attend the above listed out-of-county training at the above location is granted subject to the rules and regulations established by this Board of Fire Commissioners.

Motion of Commissioner Shovlin, 2nd of Commissioner Gallo

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Pearson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Commissioner Donnelly	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Commissioner Gonzales	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Commissioner Shovlin	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Commissioner Gallo	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>