Claryville Fire District

Minutes October 21, 2026

The regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:40pm, October 21, 2026 at the Claryville Fire House Community Hall.

Present; Acting Chairman/Commissioner Andrew Kremer, Commissioners David White, Tom Matthews, and Mike VanDenBerg.

Representing the Fire Department: Chief Paul Metzger, and 2nd Assistant Chief Glenn VanDenBerg.

Public: Bill Leudemann, and F. Doot.

Minutes of the September 8, 2026 Meeting were read and approved Upon Motion by Dave, Seconded by Tom, None Opposed.

The Treasurer's Report for October 2026, was read and approved Upon Motion by Dave, Seconded by Mike V. , None Opposed.

Communications and Bills: The following Bills were approved for payment Upon Motion by Tom, Seconded by Dave, None Opposed.

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| 500.00 | personnel | treas | 1247 | Altair Service 216, LLC. / Paul Metzger |
| 300.00 | personnel | sec | 1248 | Anne-Marie Kremer |
| 181.81 | util | telephone & internet | cc xfer | Spectum / Charter Communications |
| 95.12 | util | telephone | cc xfer | Verizon |
| 957.96 | util | elec | cc xfer | cc: Central Hudson |
| 1,800.00 | building | rent | 1249 | Claryville FD |
| 72.95 | contract | office supplies | cc xfer | Amazon |
| 67.36 | equipt | misc supplies | cc xfer | Amazon |
| 478.65 | equipt | misc equipt | cc xfer | Amazon |
| 36.97 | equipt | misc equipt | cc xfer | Amazon |
| 43.34 | equipt | misc equipt | cc xfer | Amazon |
| 36.40 | fire equipt | gas/diesel | cc xfer | Ferndale Exxon |
| 1,664.00 | fire equipt | repair/maint | 1250 | Bill Leuderman |
| 1,200.00 | fire equipt | repair/maint | 1250 | Bill Leuderman |
| 1,200.00 | fire equipt | repair/maint | 1250 | Bill Leuderman |
| 500.00 | fire equipt | repair/maint | 1250 | Bill Leuderman |
| 700.00 | fire equipt | repair/maint | 1250 | Bill Leuderman |
| 556.00 | equipt | Station Wear/Class A | 1251 | Haight Fire Equipment Supply |
| 1,539.38 | fire equipt | scba | 1251 | Haight Fire Equipment Supply |
| 2,264.00 | equipt | misc equipt | 1251 | Haight Fire Equipment Supply |
| 180.00 | equipt | misc equipt | 1251 | Haight Fire Equipment Supply |
| 277.98 | equipt | misc equipt | 1251 | Haight Fire Equipment Supply |
| 299.00 | equipt | misc supplies | 1252 | Claryville Fire Dept |
| 20.00 | fire equipt | DOT Insp | 1253 | Prestige Towing |
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| 20.00 | fire equipt | DOT Insp | 1253 | Prestige Towing |
| 153.85 | fire equipt | DOT Insp | 1253 | Prestige Towing |
| 25.00 | contract | assoc fee | 1254 | FASNY |
| 37.00 | contract | notices | 1255 | Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman |
| 394.64 | contract | other | 1256 | Neversink FD |
| 58.56 | equipt | misc supplies | 1257 | Advance Auto |
| 8.00 | equipt | misc supplies | 1257 | Advance Auto |
| 151.98 | equipt | misc supplies | 1257 | Advance Auto |
| 10.80 | equipt | misc supplies | 1257 | Advance Auto |
| 70.85 | equipt | misc supplies | 1258 | Tom Matthews |
| 144.00 | equipt | rope rescue | 1259 | John Coombs |
| 42.18 | travel | mileage | 1259 | John Coombs |
| 50.00 | contract | assoc fee | 1260 | Ulster County Fire Chiefs Assoc |
| 389.49 | fire equipt | gas/diesel | 1261 | Earl Sheeley & Sons |
| 427.88 | travel | mileage | 1262 | Paul Metzger |
| 36.48 | travel | mileage | 1263 | Luis Fassi |
| 52.38 | fire equipt | gas/diesel | 1264 | Mike Vandenberg |
| 300.00 | contract | assoc fees | 1265 | New York State Association of Fire Chiefs |
| 105.49 | travel | mileage | 1266 | Tom Matthews |
| 134.52 | travel | mileage | 1267 | Glenn Vandenberg |

Fire Chief's Report:

**October 2026 Report**

- 5 Calls in September
  - Wires down – 9 members
  - Chimney Fire – 11 members, 65-1,2,3,5,7. E. McCarthy, and Dave Luther from Sta. 25
  - Tree in road - 9 members
  - SAR Call - Tom, Mike S. Paul M. 65-51 and 63 responded
  - Tree on wire w/smoke – 7 members

- 4 Drills in September
  - Equipment Checks. 8 members
  - Parade Prep/Truck cleaning. 10 members
  - Misc maint. 6 members
  - SAR Drill @ Rock Hill. 5 members
  - Water Operations – 6 members
- Public Service and other
  - 911 25 yr anniversary – 5 members
  - SC Parade at Grahamsville
  - 2 Trucks to SCESTC for FF2 support – 2 members
  - Trucks to Prestige for inspections – 2 members
  - Pumkin Parade – 3 members
  - FV Fall Fest – 7 members
- Training
  - Paul and John completed FF2-Foam
- Other
  - We looked good at SC parade. New uniforms are excellent. Doot to put together photos for the wall
  - Annual service completed on all trucks
  - 65-31 needed new alternator
  - Proposed District budget is up 15% yr over yr
  - Gear inventory and sign off underway

Old Business:

Commissioners discussed the Budget and found several economizing steps to be included in the final Budget.

A probationary period for new members was discussed and will be revisited at the next Meeting.

**New Business:** Several Resolutions were adopted and passed by the Board. The full text of these resolutions is available from Anne-Marie Kremer/Secretary.

**Motion to adopt** the following Resolution made by Andy, Seconded by Tom, None Opposed.

Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds from the Equipment Reserve Fund to the General Operating Account subject to a permissive referendum.

1. Transfer the following sum from the Equipment Reserve not to exceed $5,476.00 for new PPE Equipment for two new members, and
2. Transfer the following sum from the Equipment Reserve Fund not to exceed $6,050.00 for a camera system in the main station and door opener for FV substation, and
3. Transfer the following sum not to exceed $2,264.00 for replacement of AED on truck 65-51.

The Resolution was approved by a Roll Call vote of the majority of Fire Commissioners.

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A Public Hearing having been held on October 21, 2026 to present to the Public the transfer of funds from the Equipment Repairs Reserve (non-emergency) to the General Operating Account the sum not to exceed $2, 599.00.

**A Motion** by Andy was made to adopt the following Resolution, Seconded by Tom, None Opposed:

1. Transfer of funds not to exceed the sum of $2,599.00 from the Equipment Repairs Reserve for replacement of AED on Truck 65-64.

The Resolution was approved by a Roll Call vote by the majority of Fire Commissioners.

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**A Motion** was made by Tom, Seconded by Mike V., None Opposed, to adopt a Resolution to transfer funds from the Equipment Repairs Reserve Fund to the General Operating Account for the following emergency repairs:

1. The expenditure up to the amount $3,000.00 for a generator cooling system.
2. The expenditure up to the amount of $1664.00 for new batteries and an alternator replacement in 65-31.
3. The expenditure up to the amount of $625.00 for steering repair in truck 65-61.
4. The expenditure of $1,380.00 for battery replacements in 65-31.

The question of the adoption of this Resolution was put to a roll call vote and the majority of Commissioners were in favor.

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**A Motion** was made by Tom, seconded by Mike V, None Opposed, to adopt the following Resolution:

Resolved, to appropriate excess income of $1,323.00 from: interest, refund from IAR, and reimbursement from CPR class be made to the Equipment Account A3410.2.

The Resolution was authorized by a roll call vote with the majority of Commissioners in favor.

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Dave made **the Motion** to adopt the following Resolution to appoint an election Chairman and two election clerks, Seconded by Mike V., None Opposed.

**Whereas,** The Claryville Fire District will hold the annual election on December 8, 2026 between the hours of 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm at the Claryville Fire Department Community Hall, 1500 Claryville Rd., Claryville, NY, and

**Whereas**, a resident fire district elector will act as Chairman and two qualified election clerks will act as election inspectors;

**Therefore,** be it resolved that Anne-Marie Kremer will act as Chairman, and Sandra Hollis and Chereen McNellis will act as election clerks and compensation not to exceed $70.00 will be paid to the Chairman and each clerk.

The Board of Commissioners authorized the Resolution, and it was approved by the majority by a roll call vote.

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Tom made the Motion and Andy Seconded the Motion, None Opposed, to adopt a Resolution concerning tax liability and CPA expense borrowed temporarily from the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund

1. **Resolved** that the sum not to exceed $4,734.00 be moved from the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund to resolve tax liability and CPA expense. This sum is already in the 2027 Budget and will be returned to the Capital Equipment Reserve in 2027.

The authorization of this Resolution was put to a roll call vote and the majority of Commissioners approved.

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Mike V. made the Motion and it was Seconded by Tom, None Opposed, to adopt the Resolution for the proposed Budget and tax cap override for 2027 for the Claryville Fire District.

**Resolution** to approve the final Claryville Fire District Budget for 2027 and tax cap override.

**Whereas**, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Claryville Fire District held the annual fire district budget hearing on notice to public on October 21, 2026, and

**Whereas,** the Board considered the proposed budget and comments received on the proposed budget on October 21, 2026 at said budget hearing, and

**Now, therefore, be it resolved**, the Board of Fire Commissioners hereby approves a determination to override the real property tax levy that will exceed the real property tax cap with an increase in said tax levy over the two(2%)percent limit and will result in a final annual fire district budget amount of $215,494.71, and hereby approves the final Budget amount of the Claryville Fire District of $215,494.71

The authorization of this Resolution was put to a roll call vote and the majority of the Commissioners approved.

Comments from the Public: None

The Meeting was adjourned Upon Motion by Dave, Seconded by Mike at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne-Marie Kremer/Secretary