

BARNARD FIRE DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
October 14, 2024

Present: Commissioners Cappon, Gerhard, Diederich, Norris, Williams, Chief Andrews, Secretary/Treasurer Pattie Morris, Secretary/Treasurer Sandy Ballou, FF Hlebowicz

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

We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by FF Hlebowicz

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. Keeping in our thoughts and prayers all our men and women first responders who do battle every day.

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

No one from the public was in attendance, therefore no one came forward.

Chairperson Gerhard asked if we have received any correspondence since our last meeting and asked if there are any special dates that need to be noted.

- I received a thank you card from Pam Rogers of Hampton Blvd for our staff helping her when she fell. Apparently, she has fallen before, and we have responded. She mentioned Lt. Ballou and P J Doyle who helped her up.
- Received a thank you from Pattie thanking the Board for the beautiful flowers she received on her birthday along with the many birthday wishes.
- Next Monroe County Fire District Officers meeting on November 21st at Red Fedele's Brook House.

MOTION: Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2024. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed, Motion carries.

MOTION: Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Norris to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 26, 2024. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed, Motion carries.

Monthly Chiefs Report ~ October 14, 2024

Year 2024 Total Runs 2918

January 345 February 339 March 270 April 310 May 341 June 285 July 372 August 347

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September 309

<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
3	40	Fires in Structures
0	3	Vehicle Fires
1	6	Brush, Field, Outside Fires
2	16	Dumpster, Rubbish and all other fires
11	75	MVA
201	2072	EMS
0	3	Rescue events (land searches, rope, water/ice, RTF, trench, elevator)
38	239	Auto Alarms
4	51	Mutual Aid Given
8	117	Hazardous Conditions (fumes, gas leaks, CO, wires down)
41	296	All other Service calls (lock outs, water problems, good intent etc.)

Updates from the Fire Chief.

Town wide open house and memorial service on October 6th, was a success, with the collaboration of all 4 Districts.

Review of damages and repair options for E-223 involving the manhole incident on Oct 9th.

Review of invoicing from Bergmann for the renovation project.

(3) new volunteer members ready to begin initial training as Department FF's. 2 of the 3 have prior training and experience.

Live Fire training evolutions completed this week for all 4 groups. Crews rotated from all 4 Districts for the commercial fire scenarios conducted at the PSTF.

Leadership training for all Barnard career officers will be this week.

FF's Fuller, Metzler and Sladden all completed the NYS Collapse series during the last 2 weeks. These FF's are already team members of the MCSOU.

Update on policy and SOGS.

Review status of renovation projects in the apparatus room, bay 6 and lower level.

Chief would like an executive session to discuss a contractual issue from our capital project.

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Sandy will be attending the Annual Meeting and Leadership Training Summit and Expo from October 21st – 23rd.

MOTION: Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Diederich to give Sandy Ballou permission to vote on behalf of the Barnard Fire District at the NYS Annual Meeting and Leadership Summit Expo on 10/23/2024. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed, Motion carries.

Community Risk Reduction Division:

October 2024

Submitted By: Dean Smith

The month of September brings the start of the 2024/25 school year. The school year is already 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 putting together a schedule for our fire safety presentations in our school classrooms. This year Firefighters Josh Shoemaker and Ewa Hlebowicz will be assisting me with our Community Risk Reduction Programs This past week I presented kitchen safety programs at the Villa of Hope. Our spring Hazard House Program is returning for the fall. It was decided last spring to deliver the program to the Greece Central School District's elementary schools and to address the private schools located in town in the fall. St. Lawrence School, Dorah HaTorah Academy and a home school group are schedule for this fall.

Our Child Passenger Safety Seat Program saw a change this past month. With the fire station renovation and the recent addition of the Ridge Road Fire District's Engine 253 working out of our fire station, our monthly child passenger safety seat fitting station has been operating out of the Lake Shore Fire District's Station #2 on Ling Rd. This past month Barnard hosted our first fitting station since Covid, and the renovation project forced the closure of the fire station to the general public. Barnard will once again be co- hosting a monthly fitting station on the second Tuesday of every month from 3 – 7 pm rotating each month between the Barnard and Lake Shore Fire Stations.

October is Fire Prevention Month and Fire Prevention Week is October 6th through 13th. The National Fire Protection Association has selected "Smoke Alarms: Make them work for you!" as their 2024 campaign slogan.

Fire Prevention Week looks a little different this year. Many of our traditional events and activities will still take place. The Barnard Fire District will host the Town Memorial Service on Sunday, October 6th at 1 pm.

The Town Fire Service will be hosting an Open House also at Barnard on Sunday, October 6th prior to the Memorial Service. Each agency along with the Monroe County Fire Bureau, Greece Police

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Department, Monroe Ambulance, American Red Cross and the 911/ OEC will be on hand with static displays. The fire districts have decided that instead of each agency hosting their own separate Open House event to combine our resources and host one large community event. The Open House will rotate through the town similar to the Memorial Service rotation.

Our annual “Win A Ride To School On A Fire Truck” contest is taking place during October. 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 that was added to last year’s Fire Prevention Week Calander is returning. 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 15th and Wednesday, October 16th. 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

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>
English Village School	8/26/24	Back to School Bash
English Village School	9/6/24	September 11 th ceremony
Barnard FD	9/10/24	Car set check, 3 seats inspected
Villa of Hope	9/16/24	Kitchen safety, 3 classes, 11 students
St. Lawrence School	9/24/24	Hazard House, 5 programs, 113 students

Scheduled Events

Dorah HaTorah Academy	9/30/24	Hazard House
English Village School	10/2/24	2 nd grade
Barnard FD	10/6/24	Open House & Memorial Service
Lake Shore FD	10/8/24	Child Passenger Safety Seat Fitting Station
North Greece FD	10/21/24	Hazard House, Home school group

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen M. Andrews

Fire Chief

MOTION: Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve Chief Andrews report for October 14, 2024, as read and discussed. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

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Commissioner Diederich – No Report

Commissioner Norris – Asked the board if he could miss the Preliminary Budget Hearing on 10/15 and instead help the Department carry out the Mark's Pizzeria/ smoke detector initiative. All Commissioners agreed.

Commissioner Williams – No Report

Commissioner Cappon - Will be at the Preliminary Budget Hearing by 5:45 on the 15th

Chairman Gerhard – No Report

MOTION: Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Cappon to approve all invoices as audited and approved October 14, 2024. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve the Treasurer Report for September 2024. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Cappon to approve carrying over \$2,000,000.00 in the 30-day CD and depositing \$500,000 back to our savings account. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

MOTION: Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to go into executive session to discuss one contractual issue and one personnel issue. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

Entered executive session at 6:35pm

Returned to regular session at 7:08pm

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Pattie Morris/Sandy Ballou
Secretaries, Barnard Fire District