

*BARNARD FIRE DISTRICT
Commission Meeting
January 6, 2025*

Present: Commissioners Cappon, Gerhard, Williams, Norris, Diederich, Chief Andrews, Secretary/Treasurer Ballou, Secretary/Treasurer Pattie Morris, Department Vice President Dean Smith, Department President Kevin Bardeen

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m.

We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by President Bardeen

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.

- *Reminder January 8th at 6 p.m. for dinner with the Chief*
- *Letter from Steven Ramsey thanking us for our prompt and professional response to his medical emergency.*
- *Received a note thanking us for participating in Saturday's lights on for Life Motorcade from the Office of Traffic Safety*
- *We received a letter from Monroe County Department of Law acknowledging our notice of claim for the manhole cover incident. The county will investigate and advise us of the results upon completion.*

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

Monthly Chiefs Report ~ January 2025

Year 2024 Total Runs 3948

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

September 309 October 335 November 318 December 322

Month YTD Incident Type

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7	52	<i>Fires in Structures</i>
1	5	<i>Vehicle Fires</i>
0	9	<i>Brush, Field, Outside Fires</i>
0	19	<i>Dumpster, Rubbish and all other fires</i>
3	93	<i>MVA</i>
246	2782	<i>EMS</i>
0	3	<i>Rescue events (land searches, rope, water/ice, RTF, trench, elevator)</i>
23	318	<i>Auto Alarms</i>
1	56	<i>Mutual Aid Given</i>
9	145	<i>Hazardous Conditions (fumes, gas leaks, CO, wires down)</i>
32	466	<i>All other Service calls (lock outs, water problems, good intent etc.)</i>

Updates from the Fire Chief;

2024 total alarms were 3948 as tallied above. This is an increase of 88 over the year 2023. We have been within 100 runs, year to year, over the last 5 years with the exception of the year 2020, which was attributed to Covid-19 shutdowns.

The replacement bail-out hardware for interior FF's has been received and training begins this week. Thank you to Captain McKenna for the oversight of this replacement project.

Sandy has completed the PERMA grant application for training equipment for AV display in the meeting room.

CAD updates to Barnard incidents and apparatus running orders are underway and we expect to be utilizing the closest units on certain criteria by the end of the month. Consolidation of the EMS coding was also done and included Captain Johnson working with Doctor Cushman as we reviewed the appropriate EMS responses for the Fire District.

A draft SOG is being developed to address the appropriate greeting of visitors to the station. This includes signage on the exterior to ensure visitors are received at the main entrance only. The SOG will then address proper access to our facility in the interests of safety of both our personnel and the visitors.

Captain Cappon has prepared a review of the Department FF's training accomplished in 2024 and individual reports will be reviewed with each FF, so the training is addressed. Also, there will be CPR refresher training this month offered on January 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th and evenings on the 11th and 19th.

There are no significant apparatus issues to report at this time. The missing lengths of LDH were received last month and all hose beds are back to the capacity of LDH.

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Please look at the new fans installed in Bay 6 and the main apparatus room. Hopefully this will assist with the air movement when needed for both heating and drying.

The Rochester Gas and Electric training offered last month in the station was very well received and timely. This covered the natural gas systems, responses and safety.

Community Risk Reduction Division:

December 2024

Submitted By: *Dean Smith*

I am pleased to report that as 2024 draws to a close, I will have concluded many of my fire safety goals and objectives for the year. I have completed all my classroom presentations for the fall with the exception of Derech HaTorah Academy of Rochester. Derech HaTorah Academy has requested to hold off scheduling their annual visits until after the holiday break. I will be submitting an annual report that will have a complete summary of 2024 sometime next month.

In December I worked with the other Community Risk Reduction Specialist in town teaching CPR in health classes to students at Greece Athena and Greece Arcadia middle and high schools. We will return for the second half of the school year to teach CPR to 2nd semester health classes. We are working on expanding the program district wide to Greece Olympia and Greece Odyssey students.

With the start of the new year, I will be scheduling our second classroom visits that take place during the winter and early spring months. I will also begin working with the other fire districts in town scheduling dates and preparing for our annual Hazard House program that will take place in May and June.

The annual Adopt-A-Hydrant Program is scheduled to begin for the winter months. Information regarding the program will go out to area school children later next week. The fire departments in the town are once again asking area school children to maintain the fire hydrants on their streets during the winter months. Each student that participates in the program will receive a certificate of appreciation from the fire department.

Our monthly child passenger safety seat fitting station will once again be taking place on the second Tuesday of each month during 2025. The fitting station will alternate between Barnard and the Lake Shore Fire District from 3-7 pm each month.

Summary of Programs

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Location	Date	Program
Longridge School	11/27/24	4 th grade program, 6 classes, 136 students
Greece Arcadia Middle School	12/2/24	CPR, 4 classes
Greece Arcadia Middle School	12/3/24	CPR, 5 classes
Greece Arcadia Middle School	12/4/24	CPR, 1 class, Total: 10 classes, 200+ students
Greece Athena Middle School	12/9/24	CPR, 4 classes
Greece Athena Middle School	12/10/24	CPR, 3 classes
Lake Shore Fire District	12/10/24	Car seat check, 6 seats inspected
Greece Athena Middle School	12/13/24	CPR, 3 classes, Total: 10 classes, 200+ students
Greece Arcadia High School	12/16/24	CPR, 4 classes, 100 students

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen M. Andrews

Fire Chief

President Bardeen – Thanked everyone for the fruit basket after his surgery. He attended the VCOS seminar and found it valuable. It was good to know that the struggles with recruiting and retaining new volunteers was a common thread. We have brought in 5 new volunteers since May. Some past members and some new.

Commissioner Diederich – Thanked everyone for the gifts and cards during his hospital stay.

Commissioner Norris – No Report

Commissioner Williams – Thanked everyone for a good year.

Commissioner Cappon – We had a successful 2024, Keep it up!

Chairman Gerhard – No Report

MOTION: Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Cappon to approve all invoices as audited and approved the week of December 23, 2024. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.

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MOTION: *Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve all invoices as audited and approved January 6, 2025. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Norris to approve Pattie to continue the savings CD at 4.25% for another 30 days after withdrawing \$600,000 to cover the NYS Retirement invoices. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

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

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

Pattie asked the commissioners to come in the week of the 20th and review invoices for approval, seeing our next meeting isn't until the 30th.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Pattie Morris/Sandy Ballou
Secretary, Barnard Fire District*