

*BARNARD FIRE DISTRICT
Commission Meeting
April 14, 2025*

Present: Commissioners Cappon, Gerhard, Williams, Diederich, Chief Andrews, Secretary/Treasurer Sandy Ballou, Secretary/Treasurer Pattie Morris, President Bardeen absent Comm Norris.

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Chief Andrews

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.

- *We received a Thank You note from a resident for the help with a smoke detector on April 7th. This was part of group 2 and group 4 that helped with this.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Cappon to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 10, 2025. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed, Motion carries.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2025. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed, Motion carries.*

Monthly Chiefs Report ~ April 2025

Year 2025 Total Runs 937

January 353 February 288 March 296

<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Incident Type</u>
8	17	Fires in Structures
0	0	Vehicle Fires
1	1	Brush, Field, Outside Fires

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0	0	Dumpster, Rubbish and all other fires
10	29	MVA
209	653	EMS
0	0	Rescue events (land searches, rope, water/ice, RTF, trench, elevator)
18	50	Auto Alarms
4	6	Mutual Aid Given
10	36	Hazardous Conditions (fumes, gas leaks, CO, wires down)
38	147	All other Service calls (lock outs, water problems, good intent etc.)

Updates from the Fire Chief;

Reviewed the draft IMA from the County of Monroe related to the MCSOU, SO-10 Collapse Truck being stationed here at the Barnard Station. My concerns and questions from my draft review, have been sent to Attorney DiRaddo and he is reviewing them and expects an update for us this week.

I will be attending a seminar on Managing Disciplinary Challenges in the Fire Service in Rome on June 18th and 19th. This is being presented by Attorney Curt Varone who has retired as a Chief Officer of the Providence RI Fire Dept.

The media event announcing the 3 new Lifepak 35's has been sent to local media and the introduction and demonstration will be offered Wednesday April 16th from 09:00 - 12:00 at the Station with BC Johnson. Please consider joining the crews during the demonstration.

We welcome discussion on the planning stages of the 2025 Annual District Inspection event.

Need additional authorization for participation for 2025, to add FF Bailey Schubmehl to the MCSOU.

RESOLUTION 25-16: *by Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to authorize Bailey Schubmehl to participate in the Monroe County Special Operations Unit for 2025*

Poll of Board Members –

*Commissioner Diederich - Yes
Commissioner Williams - Yes
Commissioner Norris – Absent
Commissioner Cappon – Yes
Chairman Gerhard - Yes*

4 Yes Votes – 0 No Votes - 1 Absent

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Point of information only, I will be hosting the regular meeting of the NYS Career Chiefs group in the Rochester area on May 20 and 21st. Anticipating 40 attendees and the education portion will be delivered by Dr. Cushman. The topic will be mental health of our Fire Chiefs.

Reviewed anticipated project costs for Squad 226 refurbishing.

Finally requesting a very brief executive session related to a Department incident within the Station.

Community Risk Reduction Division:

March 2025

Submitted By: Dean Smith

The month of March was a busy month. The month began with me assisting the North Greece Fire District teaching CPR programs to the health class students at Greece Arcadia High School. This is a new audience. Until last year, we were unable to reach this grade level due to the block scheduling they have used in middle and high schools. The goal is to expand this program district wide to the other Greece Central middle and high schools.

The Greece Central School Districts participates in a national campaign that promotes reading at the elementary level. The Campaign, "Read Across America" was celebrated in a few ways this past month in our area schools. English Village School hosted a family night/ community night on March 7th. I was a guest reader at this event and the department participated in the event staffing a fire truck and a fire safety display. Students from the Greece Central School District's RTE program also assisted with the event. I was invited to be a guest reader at Longridge School and Pinebrook School during the school day for their events.

I was able to complete my second round of classroom presentation for the school year this past month with two days of instruction at Derech HaTorah Academy of Rochester. I am pleased to report that every classroom in our district was visited with a grade specific lesson designed to meet the New York State Learning Standards for that individual grade level. Students in the first and second grade will receive three presentations during the school year. I am in the process of developing a third presentation for the Longridge School fourth grade. Students in fourth grade are learning about electricity in their science unit at this grade level. FF/P Hlebowicz is assisting me with developing a lesson plan that deals with electrical safety.

I have been working with the other fire districts to develop a schedule for the 2025 Hazard House Program. The Hazard House Program starts on April 21st at Northwood School and runs to the end of the school year. We have twenty-two dates and will conclude at Paddy Hill School on June 12th. Students in first, third and fifth grade will participate in the program. Firefighters Hlebowicz, Shoemaker and John Norris will be assisting me with the program this year.

Summary of Programs

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>
Longridge School	2/25/25	4 th grade, 2 nd visit, 6 classes, 117 students

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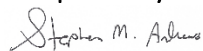
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Longridge School	2/26/25	Kindergarten, 2 nd visit, 6 classes, 120 students
English Village School	3/3/25	1 st grade, 2 nd visit, 5 classes, 98 students
Arcadia High School	3/4/25	CPR training, 1 class, 20 students
Longridge School	3/5/25	1 st grade, 2 nd visit, 6 classes, 124 students
Arcadia High School	3/6/25	CPR training, 5 classes, 90 students
Pinebrook School	3/7/25	Read Across America
English Village School	3/7/25	Read Across America
Barnard FD	3/11/25	CPS Fitting Station, 4 seats inspected
Longridge School	3/13/25	2 nd grade, 2 nd visit, 5 classes, 105 students
Derech HaTorah Academy	3/19/25	8 classes, K-8 th grade, 138 students
Derech HaTorah Academy	3/20/25	
Longridge School	3/20/25	Read Across America

Scheduled Programs

Lake Shore FD	4/8/25	Monthly CPS Fitting Station
Barnard FD	4/10/25	Girl Scout program
Northwood School	4/21/25	Hazard House
Northwood School	4/22/25	Hazard House
Northwood School	4/23/25	Hazard House
Paddy Hill School	4/24/25	Hazard House
Longridge School	4/29/25	2 nd grade, 3 rd visit

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen M. Andrews

Fire Chief

MOTION: *Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve Chief Andrews report for April 14th as read and discussed. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

NEW BUSINESS:

- *Financial Commissioner*
- *Don Bowers – retirement medical insurance coverage*
- *Battalion Chief Swearing in – today*
- *New policies will be emailed to the Commissioners for the May 12th meeting*

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Diederich – No Report

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Commissioner Norris – Absent

Commissioner Williams – No Report

Commissioner Cappon – Met with our Insurance broker to talk about future insurance, more information to follow. Had another CBA meeting with our Local 4030 representatives, our next meeting will be on 5/1.

Chairman Gerhard – No report

President Bardeen – Wanted to remind everyone to send back their RSVP's to this years banquet, happening on May 10th.

MOTION: *Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve all invoices as audited and approved April 14, 2025. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

MOTION: *By Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Cappon to approve the Treasurer Report for March 2025. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

MOTION: *by Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to go into executive session to discuss a department/historical issue. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

Went into executive session at 5:33 p.m.

Returned from executive session at 5:51 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sandy Ballou, Pattie Morris
Secretaries
Barnard Fire District*