

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
South Farmingdale Board of Fire Commissioners
June 24, 2025

At approximately 7:03pm, Commissioner Forry called the meeting to order and recited the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Commissioner M. Mackie, Commissioner M. Suwalski, Commissioner J. Tasch, Commissioner P. Fullshire, and the District Secretary were also in attendance.

Chief Daly, Chief McFarlane, Ex-Chief Atoria, and Lieutenant Nealon were also present.

One (1) new member was sworn into the department by Commissioner Forry at 7:06pm.

Motion made by Commissioner Tasch to enter executive session at 7:11pm to discuss personnel matters. Regular meeting resumed at 7:33pm.

The minutes from June 10, 2025 were discussed. Motion by Commissioner Tasch to approve the minutes with all changes, seconded by Commissioner Fullshire.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Forry				
Commissioner Suwalski	X			
Commissioner Tasch	X			
Commissioner Fullshire	X			
Commissioner Mackie	X			

Motion passed.

Treasurer's report:

Total warrants for June 24, 2025 are \$43,574.96

AIR PURIFIER	\$ 2,860.00
Anton Community Newspaper	\$ 96.20
BAR BOY PRODUCTS INC.	\$ 990.00
Elan Financial Services (Flushing CC)	\$ 12,619.35
GR FARMINGDALE II LLC	\$ 30.00
HEATING & HOT WATER SYSTEMS, INC	\$ 1,180.00
HENDRICKSON	\$ 2,287.61
HY-TONE	\$ 25.50
Integrated Wireless Technologies	\$ 117.00

MES SERVICES COMPANY, LLC	\$ 1,414.26
NYSIF Workers' Compensation	\$ 14,325.30
SES, Inc	\$ 75.00
South Shore Fire Equip. Dist.	\$ 859.40
Sterling Sanitary Supply Corp	\$ 1,027.24
Timber Design	\$ 2,800.00
Xerox Corporation	\$ 356.11
PROCLAIM	\$ 1,919.79
GUARDIAN	\$ 69.50
NATIONAL GRID	\$ 522.70
Total:	\$ 43,574.96

Motion by Commissioner Tasch, seconded by Commissioner Fullshire to accept the warrant and pay all bills.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Forry				
Commissioner Suwalski	X			
Commissioner Tasch	X			
Commissioner Fullshire	X			
Commissioner Mackie	X			

Motion passed.

Apparatus – Commissioner Forry

972: New brake shoes and rear brake drums were needed due to heat cracking.

975: The driver's side rear caliper was seized and the brake line to the caliper was leaking. New brake pads were installed on both sides. A new caliper was also installed, and the brake line was repaired.

976: The PM was completed by Commander Fleet on June 18, 2025.

977: A battery in the ambulance was producing a sulfur smell inside the apparatus floor. Commander Fleet picked up the vehicle on June 20, 2025 to complete battery replacement.

979: Commander Fleet repaired the high idle not working. The high idle class one module was burnt and was replaced with a new module.

9703: Barnwell House of Tires repaired a bolt in the left front tire.

The seat engine logos will need to be replaced for both engines. The cost would be approximately \$6,978.76, not including freight.

The new 971 vehicle has the following mechanical issues that will need to be assessed by Hendrickson:

1. When putting the engine into pump, it sounds like something is loose.
2. When taking the engine out of the pump, it sounds like it is slamming.
3. When making a turn, you can hear and feel a noise under your feet in the rear cab area sitting in the forward-facing seat on the right-hand side.
4. The sensor in the extinguisher compartment on the chauffeur side indicates the door is not closed.
5. The officer side extinguisher compartment door sensor is showing the door is open when closed.
6. The right ladder raising and lowering mount is delayed and not in sync with the left one.
7. The cabinet that has the command board inside it, on the chauffeur side, the sensor indicates it is open.
8. When the trident valve for the inboard left rear discharge was in pump and the line was open, it was moving slightly towards the closed position.
9. When the water tank from the top was overfilled, the water came out of the top.

Audit & Bonds

Status Quo

Buildings & Grounds – Commissioner Fullshire

The grease interceptor was received last week.

The Neiderman work, gas line removal and the bailout window have all been completed.

The Neiderman hose by the back bay door needs a magnet to connect to the wall because it is not secure. To avoid injury, this needs to be corrected.

Capital Improvements – Commissioner Fullshire

Roof specifications are still being prepared.

Communications & Alerting – Commissioner Mackie

The radio installation for Engine 971 has been completed. When the new 973 and 979 vehicles arrive, we will have the radios installed on those rigs as well.

Four (4) pagers were repaired and returned to the district.

District Reports, Communications & Petitions – District Secretary

Nothing to report

Emergency Preparedness – Commissioner Tasch

All prepared.

The walk-in box needs to be cleaned out and old food needs to be discarded.

Equipment – Commissioner Fullshire

The Scott Pak Tracker from 972 was not repaired because the cost of the repair was excessive.

Various equipment, including Lifepaks, batteries, and chargers, will be decommissioned.

We are awaiting the arrival of new thermal imaging cameras and a Pak Tracker. When these items come in, they will be sent to Hendrickson.

The new SCBAs are expected to arrive by the end of July.

Decon wash was ordered.

Chainsaw blades and flag holders for the 979 vehicle poles have arrived.

Fuel – Commissioner Tasch

May invoice has been paid.

IT Computers / Printers / Cable – Commissioner Mackie

On June 24, 2025 Atlantic PC completed an upgrade to all laptops that can be updated to Windows 11.

Station 2 had an internet issue and Verizon came to repair the internet server.

Insurance & Personnel – Commissioner Tasch

The workers' compensation policy was renewed for the 2025/2026 calendar year.

We need all badges and gear returned from members when they resign.

Legal / Government – Commissioner Suwalski

Nothing to report.

LOSAP – Commissioner Tasch

We will be meeting with RBC Wealth Management on July 15, 2025 to discuss our investments.

Medical & Fit Tests – Commissioner Tasch

Nothing to report.

Policies & Procedures – Commissioner Suwalski

Nothing to report.

Trainings – Commissioner Mackie

The TIPS training course is scheduled for July 27, 2025 in the training room.

Miscellaneous:

The house and vehicle inspection will take place on June 29, 2025 at 9:00am.

The district manager and secretary need to be added as administrators to the Bryx app.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Business

Motion by Commissioner Fullshire, seconded by Commissioner Tasch to decommission a MidTronic Lifepak, a Lifepak 500 battery, a Garmin Nuvi GPS, Lifepak battery, a Scott thermal camera battery, a Scott Pak Tracker, BW clip meter, Stryker battery pack, and a stretcher charger.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Forry				
Commissioner Suwalski	X			
Commissioner Tasch	X			
Commissioner Fullshire	X			
Commissioner Mackie	X			

Motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Suwalski, seconded by Commissioner Fullshire to combine the two (2) BOFC meetings for July and August into one (1) meeting. July meeting will take place on July 15, 2025 and August meeting will take place on August 19, 2025.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Forry				
Commissioner Suwalski	X			
Commissioner Tasch	X			
Commissioner Fullshire	X			
Commissioner Mackie	X			

Motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Suwalski, seconded by Commissioner Tasch to hire a certified instructor from the Nassau County Fire Service Academy to evaluate members' skills. The evaluation and the district physician exam will appropriately determine class statuses.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Forry				
Commissioner Suwalski	X			
Commissioner Tasch	X			
Commissioner Fullshire	X			
Commissioner Mackie	X			

Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Tasch, seconded by Commissioner Suwalski at 8:35pm.

Siobhan Domingo
District Secretary