Hughsonville Fire District

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Meets Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month

Board of Fire Commissioners
Michael Schappert - Chairman
Vincent Galvin – Deputy Chairman
Anthony Martino, Jr., Mark Liebermann
John Lorenzini

Justin R. Jerrick – Chief of Department
Nicholas Ward – 1st Assistant Chief
William H. Beale – Deputy Chief

MINUTES
April 8, 2026
Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners

Attendees:
Commissioner Michael Schappert– Chairman
Commissioner Vincent Galvin - Deputy Chairman (Absent)
Commissioner Anthony Martino, Jr.
Commissioner Mark Liebermann
Commissioner John Lorenzini

Chief:	Justin Jerrick
1st Assistant Chief:	Nicholas Ward
Deputy Chief:	William H. Beale
District Secretary/Treasurer:	Kim Flower
Attorney for District:	Ian MacDonald (Absent)

Commissioner Schappert opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed.

Guest Speakers – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Legal – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Treasurer's Report

- Purchase orders, bills, and checks were signed.

- Motion to approve abstract dated April 11, 2026 consisting of 32 items for a total of $ 20,762.45, with a transfer from general savings to checking was made by Commissioner Martino.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

Secretary's Minutes

- Motion to approve the secretary's minutes for March 25, 2026 was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Abstain
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Motion to approve the secretary's minutes for March 31, 2026 special meeting was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Abstain
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

Correspondence – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Commissioner Report – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Chief's Report

- Hurst tool annual service is completed.

- Motion to allow Paul Rogers, Trevor Dhalla, Commissioner Schappert, and Commissioner Liebermann use of district vehicles while officers are away for FDIC was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Abstain
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

A. Apparatus (Repairs)

- 45-46: window motor is ordered for rear window.

- 45-32: April 14th Eagle Diesel will be here to evaluate and also check jake brake.

- 45-62: Carb was replaced and oil changed. Asst. Chief Ward found paperwork for upgrades completed on it and will get together with MacDonald and MacDonald.

- 45-59: Charger was installed.

B. Radios and Pagers – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

C. Fire Prevention – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

D. Uniforms – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

E. Purchase request (s) – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

F. Training Report

- Motion to allow firefighters and apparatus to attend a mutual aid live burn, Monday May 4, 2026 with New Hamburg was made by Commissioner Martino.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Quarter one training has been completed by all.

- Quarter two OSHA has been sent to membership to be completed by June 30th.

- Driver requal. began this past Monday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel

- Motion to approve new active member Victoria Donofrio pending lens, physical, and background check was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Motion to approve Michael Flynn request for status change to active pending physical and must fill out new district application was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Just FYI Christopher VanBuren is new associate member.

- Just FYI John Lorenzini has resigned as company vice-president. Company will hold special election at next meeting.

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts/JHF

- JHF is meeting tonight.

- Boy Scouts are active and getting new members.

Buildings and Grounds – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Building Expansion – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

- New building vote conducted April 7, 2026 was as follows: 37 yes and 53 nay.
  Certificate of results was delivered to Town of Wappingers Clerk. Jeff and Marty will be attending next Board meeting April 22nd.

LOSAP

- One member has become fully disabled and received distribution.

Policies and Procedures

- Being worked on.

Technology, IT Digital Communications

- UPS for server has been received and installed in rack. System needs to be shut down for short time to install.

Website Committee – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Public Information Officers

- Motion to eliminate position from district side was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  – Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  – Commissioner Martino Yes
  – Commissioner Schappert Yes
  – Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  – Commissioner Galvin Absent

Old Business – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

New Business

- Motion to approve DCSO Fire Team to hold training on premises Thursday, April 23rd from 7 am – 4 pm was made by Commissioner Martino.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

  – Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  – Commissioner Martino Yes
  – Commissioner Schappert Yes
  – Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  – Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Motion to enter into executive session at 7:11 pm to discuss a personnel matter was made by Commissioner Schappert.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

  – Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  – Commissioner Martino Yes
  – Commissioner Schappert Yes
  – Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  – Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Motion to exit executive session at 7:41 pm was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

  – Commissioner Liebermann Yes

- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Galvin Absent

No decisions were made an no money was spent while in executive session.

- There are two days that the cleaners are not able to fill in for the Laborer while he is in FDIC.

- Motion to allow Brandon Compasso cover for the laborer, Monday, April 20, 2026, from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm and Tuesday, April 21, 2026 from 8:00 am – 2:00 pm as a temporary Contractor at a rate of $20.00/hr was made by Commissioner Schappert.
  Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

  - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
  - Commissioner Martino Yes
  - Commissioner Schappert Yes
  - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
  - Commissioner Galvin Absent

- Just FYI Trevor Dhalla is now qualified on 45-11.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Liebermann at 7:45 pm.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

- Commissioner Liebermann Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Galvin Absent

All quotes were obtained in accordance with the purchasing policy.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Flower
District Secretary