

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Vischer Ferry Fire District held on Monday, February 9, 2026.

The monthly meeting convened at 7:30 PM in the Commissioners' room at Station #2. Those in attendance were Commissioner Marty Schanz, Commissioner Andrew Casucci, Commissioner Grant Keeler, Treasurer Carl Visconti, Secretary Karan Donohue, Administrator Tim Brousseau, Administrative Assistant Lisa Castaldo, Chief Tim Kimball, 1st Assistant Chief Michael Stanley, 2nd Assistant Chief Tim Brousseau, Captain Ron Bruzdinski, Jr. and Roger Saddlemire-Avid Insurance. Commissioners Kevin Bowman and Dave Pettis were absent.

Mr. Saddlemire discussed the following:

1. The 2024 Kenworth (TA-626) is insured for \$936,255. Replacement costs would be higher. Equipment on the truck is insured for up to \$250,000.
2. If a truck should be lost, insurance would cover a 30-day rental. A leased or rental truck coverage would be \$69,000. If a truck was a total loss one check would be issued.
3. The boat has blanket coverage for \$31,612 – one for the boat and one for the motor.
4. The 2025 Tahoe is covered for \$59,000, which does not include lights.
5. Cyber coverage is \$100,000.
6. Roger will check into disability supplements.

Bills

1. A listing of transactions numbered 18119 through 18162, totaling \$41,162.04, was presented to the Board for approval.
2. It was noted that the Spectrum invoice includes charges for a FAX line at Station #2 that is no longer being used. We will contact Spectrum to adjust the billing.

Commissioner Casucci made a motion to pay the bills. Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business

Commissioner Casucci made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2026, meeting. Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

1. Bank statements, account reconciliations, and check images for January 2026 and the listing of transactions approved and paid in January 2026 were given to Commissioner Casucci for verification.
2. Bank statements, account reconciliations, and check images for December 2025 were returned to the Treasurer.
3. The deadline for filing the 2025 Annual Financial Report to the OSC was extended to April 30, 2026.
4. Bryans and Gramuglia will be completing the audit of our 2025 financial statements on April 22nd.
5. Received a check totaling \$1,303.35, for the December 2025 co-location payment from Greenlight. Also, the January invoice for \$1,56.04 was sent on February 14th.
6. W-2s and 1099s were sent out in January.
7. Received a check in the amount of \$1,258,883.12 from the Town of Clifton Park for the district's 2026 property tax levy.

Commissioner Casucci made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chief's Report

1. Commissioner Casucci made a motion to approve the following for membership into the Vischer Ferry Volunteer Fire Company:
 - a. John "JP" Plamondon
 - b. Jason George – revert to Active statusCommissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Keeler made a motion for 1st Assistant Chief Michael Stanley to attend HAZMAT IC in Rexford on March 16th. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. Commissioner Casucci made a motion to purchase the following:
 - a. Thirteen (13) sets of turnout gear from Dival Safety Equipment for \$54,600 (\$55,900 budgeted item – NYS contract PC70800)
 - b. EMS supplies for \$4,560.53 as attached (budgeted item)Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
4. Commissioner Keeler made a motion to approve the following:

- a. M-623 for IFO Orientation at Hillcrest on February 10th
 - b. M-623 for BEFO/IFO Orientation at Wilton on February 16th
- Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
5. The paperwork was signed for the Colonie training center. No minors will be allowed to attend.
 6. We must check with the vendor for checking air samples at Station #1.
 7. Discussion on moving the sign board controls inside TA-626. They can't be moved because the cable isn't long enough.
 8. Commissioner Keeler made a motion to have three SCBA bottles declared surplus. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Administrator's Report

1. The heat tape at Station #3 should be kept on continuously to work properly.

Administrator Assistant's Report

1. Life Song would like to have a science class at Station #1. More information is needed.
2. Discussion on 2026 lawn treatments contracts. Commissioner Keeler made a motion to have Apex Turf; LLC provide lawn treatments to Stations #2 and 3 for the 2026 season. Total prepayment cost is \$1,526. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. The Assistant Chiefs will be taking their cars and M-623 to J & M Automotive to have the new headlights installed.

New Business

1. Received a listing of the 2026 property tax data for Saratoga County fire districts.
2. Received a check #4348, totaling \$1,258,883.12, from the 2026 tax levy from the Town of Clifton Park.
3. Received *Fire District Affairs* for December 2025 – January 2026.
4. Received the Letter of Credit from TD Bank.
5. Received a check #3807, totaling \$1,303.35, from Greenlight.

Miscellaneous

1. Discussion on the fitness room at Station #3:
 - a. Three quotes were received for flooring in the fitness room. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to purchase flooring from Rogue Fitness for \$2,847.18. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - b. Commissioner Casucci made a motion to purchase physical fitness equipment from Advantage Sport and Fitness for \$47,516.86.

Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (State contract #PC70843)

- c. The vendor's proposal for preventive maintenance services will be filed for future consideration.
2. The door on the west side of Station #3 has been repaired for now. We will call Pelham Construction to align the door properly.
3. On set point on the Bauer unit has been set too low and must be adjusted.
4. The deposition with Commissioner Bowman and Shafer
5. will be this week.

Adjournment

Commissioner Casucci made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM. The next meeting will be Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:30 PM in the Commissioners' room at Station #2.

Respectfully submitted by,

Karan Donohue, Secretary
Board of Fire Commissioners
Vischer Ferry Fire District

Kevin Bowman, Chairman
Board of Fire Commissioners
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