

Re: minutes of the monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Vischer Ferry Fire District held on Monday, April 13, 2026.

The monthly meeting convened at 7:30 PM in the Commissioners' room at Station #2. Those in attendance were Commissioner Kevin Bowman, Commissioner Marty Schanz, Commissioner Andrew Casucci, Commissioner Grant Keeler, Commissioner Dave Pettis, Treasurer Carl Visconti, Secretary Karan Donohue, Administrator Tim Brousseau, Administrative Assistant Lisa Castaldo, 1st Assistant Chief Michael Stanley, 2nd Assistant Chief Tim Brousseau, Don Andrews, and President Phil Brousseau.

Bills

1. A listing of transactions numbered 18232 through 18302, totaling \$384,878.91, was presented to the Board for approval.

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

Old Business

Commissioner Schanz made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2026 meeting. Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

1. Bank statements, account reconciliations, and check images for March 2026, and the listing of transactions approved and paid in March 2026 were given to Commissioner Casucci for verification.
2. Bank statements, account reconciliations, and check images for February 2026 were returned to the Treasurer.
3. The Capital Projects Fund checking account with TD Bank has been closed.

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

Chief's Report

1. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to approve Craig Leahy into the Vischer Ferry Volunteer Fire Company. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Schanz made a motion for the following:
 - a. Ryan Bruzdinski and Ben Wilson for Firefighter Cancer Reduction Class in Wilton Saturday, April 25th.
 - b. Ashley Meyer and Matt Selfridge for Pump Operator in Ballston Spa May 5-26
 - c. Lucca Berry for Rescue Technician Basic in Guilderland May 12-June 2Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to purchase the following:
 - a. Three (3) Sterling F4 Descender for \$159 each and three (3) Carabiners for \$39 each from All Hands Fire for a total of \$596.97.
 - b. Three (3) seat organizers from Amazon for \$74.90 each for a total of \$224.70.
 - c. Five (5) pagers from PNC for \$688.50 each for a total of \$3442.50. (This is a budgeted item)
 - d. 300' of tubular webbing from Rock n Rescue for \$109.19.
 - e. Four (4) Mustang suits from Hawill's LTD for \$910.62 each for a total of \$3,642.48
 - f. Two (2) gas meters from Dival for \$895 each for a total of \$1,790Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
4. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to approve the following:
 - a. ETA-621, ETA-625, ER-631, and M-635 for training at Jonesville on April 22nd.Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
5. Received three (3) quotes for trailers:
 - a. Trailertrader \$6,750
 - b. Best Choice Trailers \$5,995
 - c. Best Choice Trailers \$7,950

There was discussion on different trailers. This was tabled until more information is received.

6. There was discussion on the number of chiefs at Mutual Aid calls outside of our district.

Administrator's Report

1. The speaker equipment for Station #2 has been received.
2. The main control board for Station #1A has been replaced. All fobs have to be added.
3. The fob system at Station #2 has been upgraded. It is now the same as Station #3. Station #1 will be upgraded next year.
4. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to try a demo pad from First Net from ATT. This may involve a monthly charge for 2 or 3 months. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Administrative Assistant's Report

1. We will need to check with the manufacturer on how to clean the floor in the workout room.
2. A memorial ceremony will be held on the first weekend in May.

New Business

1. President Brousseau presented a list of projects for Station #1:
 - a. Landscaping around the memorial wall
 - b. Tree removal
 - c. Events
 - i. Legacy wall ceremony
 - ii. Car show
 - iii. Picnic

Commissioner Casucci made a motion to approve the Company events. Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Received the draft minutes of the March 4, 2026 meeting of the Vischer Ferry Fire Company meeting.
3. Received information for a scholarship from FASNY. This was given to President Brousseau.
4. Received the client statement from UBS, along with trades
5. Received the engagement letter from Bryans and Gramuglia CPAs, LLC and letter of understanding to the Commissioners.

Miscellaneous

1. Received information on gap insurance from Provident.
2. Received an invoice for TA-626 from VRS for \$4,957.09.
3. Received a quote from VRS of \$3,959.68 for lights for ER-631.
4. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to declare four (4) portable chargers as surplus. Commissioner Pettis seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
5. The kitchen needs to be cleaned after every use.
6. We need to set up a meeting with the Clifton Park Water Authority.

7. We will look to see if the boat launch needs to be dredged.

Executive Session

Commissioner Pettis made a motion to go into Executive session to discuss the medical history of a person. Commissioner Schanz seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

1. Commissioner Schanz made a motion to authorize a \$6,250 benefit payment from the Insurance Reserve Fund. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Pettis made a motion to add an appropriation to the 2026 budget in the amount of \$6,250 for the benefit payment from the Insurance Reserve. Revenue to be provided by designating \$6,250 of the Insurance Reserve fund balance as "Appropriated Fund Balance – Reserves". Commissioner Keeler seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Schanz made a motion to come out of executive session. Commissioner Casucci seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Commissioner Schanz made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Pettis seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM. The next meeting will be Monday, May 11, 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
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