

Stony Brook Fire District
Board of Fire Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date: April 9, 2026

Present: Commissioner's Holsberg, Roberts, D'Agostino, Leonard District Manager Schwenker, Chief Simonsen, Chief McNeil, Chief Seelin, Chief Trapani, Attorney, Ring, District Secretary Degen.

Public Attendees': LynnAnn Tapani

Quorum: Four (4) Commissioners.

Commissioner Holsberg called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

Minutes: Minutes of March 12th, 2026 (Regular) meetings were read silently. M/M Roberts/D'Agostino to accept all the reviewed minutes as presented. AIF-Motion carried

Bills: M/M Roberts/D'Agostino to pay all bills listed and reviewed all bills paid prior to meeting all were found to be acceptable. – AIF-Motion carried

Correspondence:

Invite for St. James Fire District Installation Dinner at the Watermill in Smithtown, Saturday 5/30/26. Polled BoFC and no one could make event. Declined.

Discussed SBFD By Law Change

More Correspondence .will be read under District Managers report.

Chief's Reports:

Chief Simonsen (In Attendance – Report Submitted Electronically)

Good evening,

- Asked about Equipment Request for Cutters Edge? Discussed 3 of these modified Chainsaws that are much safer for roof operations. \$2826.95 each, request to purchase 3.
- M/M Roberts/D'Agostino to Purchase 3 saws – AIF-Motion carried
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- R6 Driver Training Update
- Update to Driver's Policy-Minor Changes.
- M/M Roberts/D'Agostino to approve policy as listed– AIF-Motion carried
 - Heavy Apparatus E-2/4
 - Specialized Apparatus - L16, HR6, HWV22, Marine26, Squad 5
- Lawn Sign - Update
- 4/18/12 11 am to 2 pm- Recruit New York request for meal approved.
- Postcard Mailing - Update , Designed, ordered and on the way.
- Personnel Changes? - None A/T/T Our Fire District's Attorney to review.
- Membership Application - waiting on the last correction from Tom. Would like to submit to Chris Ring for review.
- District building use for the purposes of Bailout? Hopefully available soon. District Manager Schwenker stated that it's still not available at this time.
- SBFD Explorers v. Junior Company, Discussed structure of Jr. Company. Commissioner Roberts asked for a copy of the By Laws & Application.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1KDznqah3qr3qmbf_DXzT-52PIle9OS5K/edit?usp=drivesdk&oid=118238495988729154453&rtpof=true&sd=true

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Request Executive Session - No Attorney.

Spec sheet from new 5A3-6 in hand and under review. 2027 expected delivery date. Replacing the fire pump is difficult.

- possible pump and motor to retrofit to our vessel.
- \$25k to fix

Radio project

- IWT tested and good so far.
- No changes to the operation, it was seamless transfer.
- Sign off pending an outside company to test system for requirements to outfit Daley Hall.

- Commissioner Leonard arrived at 7:15 PM

Chief McNeil (Not in Attendance – Report Submitted Electronically)

Good evening, Commissioners.

Recent Training Updates

- February Training: The *Mobile Stroke Unit (MSU) Integration* drill, led by Jason Hoffmann from SBUMC, was very well attended. The integration with the MSU will directly impact our treatment for stroke patients.
- March Training: Last week, we hosted an OB/Maternity training session instructed by Julie A. Welischar, MD, and Adriann J. Combs, DNP, NNP-BC. The drill was well attended, and the content provided practical updates for our providers regarding prehospital childbirth and maternal emergencies.
- The upcoming Thomas Lateulere Memorial EMS Conference, scheduled for April 18, 2026. This is a training opportunity for our personnel to further their education, as the event is completely free and provides highly valuable insights into modern EMS practices.
- On Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 18:00 hrs., the Department will conduct a training in coordination with the Army National Guard. This session preparing us for a potential multi-agency summer marine drill in Smithtown Bay. To encourage interoperability, I have invited the following agencies to participate: Bringing their Blackhawk
 - Stony Brook University Fire Brigade
 - Port Jefferson FD
 - Setauket FD

Special Thanks to Commissioner -Roberts for his initiative in coordinating with the Army National Guard. Commissioner Roberts stated that Neighboring Districts will provide a meal.

Chief Seelin (In Attendance – Report Submitted Electronically)

Good evening I'd like to thank the district for preparing the training pad from last month's department training and cutting wood for the roof.

Reminder Suffolk county fire academy vehicle extrication is April 28 we will be using the training pad as the instructors come to us we supply our own vehicle.

Department training will be held on April 26 0930 at Mankuski looking to bring ladder 16, an engine and ambulance. Will also be requesting the use of the smoke machine. Will be attending the tower conducting ladder ops and search. Smithtown approved date and training.

Chief Trapani (In Attendance – Report Submitted Electronically)

Good evening,

A few things I would like to mention:

First, I would like to thank the District for getting the work done on the 33 truck while I was out of town. I really appreciate everything being taken care of.

I would also like to thank Tom for getting the application updated and brought up to date.

Lastly, I would like to thank the District for purchasing the plywood for probationary training. It is appreciated and will be put to good use.

Thank you.

Commissioner's Reports:

Commissioner D'Agostino: (In Attendance)

- Discussed maintenance about ladder truck. Looking at tune up again with mechanic friend of Dick Wulforst. Will let the BoFC know if he will be interested in the job.
- Commissioner Leonard stated we need a estimate in writing to approve funds with a specified hourly rate to obtain diagnosis and it must be stored indoors.

Commissioner Roberts: (In Attendance – Report Submitted Electronically)

1. New 5A3-6: We just received the new Spec sheets on the vehicle. I have distributed it to the committee for review. It is anticipated to be completed in 2027.
2. 5A3-26: Being that the vessel is approximately 37 years old, getting a replacement is quite unique. Paul and Chris made contact with Darley Pumps. According to the owner of the company they may have a new pump and motor that should fit our vessel. The cost will be close to 25k to complete. Hopefully we will see some reimbursement at the time we sell the vessel. I also spoke with Smithtown. They are hoping to replace their SAFE Boat for the 2027 season. They are preliminary interested in selling it to us at that time.
3. M/M Roberts/Leonard Approve cost not to exceed 30K AIF-Motion carried

4. Radio Infrastructure Project: The system is currently up and running. So far there have been no negative issues reported pertaining to its operation. There are only a few minor house keeping issues to be completed by IWT. Note, This is not totally signed off on, and will be tested.
5. Grants: The shut down continues to hold up any processing of our current application. They do plan to have the first draft of the three part narrative that gets submitted to the peer reviewers, upon us getting scored. Update yesterday and draft will be submitted.

Commissioner Leonard: (In Attendance)

- Requests an Executive Session
- All else will be in the District Manager's Report.

Commissioner Holsberg: (In Attendance)

- No Report.

Commissioner McAllister: (Not In Attendance)

- No Report.

District Manager Report:

District Manager Schwenker(In Attendance)

- Annual NFPA Hose Test Completed:
 - The following hose was removed from Inventory for failure to pass testing:
 - Inv. # 5001 - Hydrant Pony (Stock)
 - Inv. # 4081 - Hydrant Pony (Stock)
 - Inv. # 5005 - Hydrant Pony (5A3-5)
 - Inv. # 2512 - 2.5" 50' Attack Line
 - Inv. # 2524 - 2.5" 50' Attack Line
 - Inv. # 2622 - 2.5" 50' Attack Line
 - Inv. # 1182 - 1.75" 50' Attack Line
 - Inv. # 4029 - 4" Supply Line
 - Inv. # 4044 - 4" Supply Line
 - Inv. # 4066 - 4" Supply Line
 - Inv. # 4076 - 4" Supply Line

All hose that was removed from vehicles that failed testing was replaced with hose from stock, with the exception of the hydrant pony from 5A3-5, as we did not have another spare to put in its place.

I have already placed an order for two (2) 4" X 35' Hydrant Ponies.

I request we purchase the following hose for Stock:

Five (5) Lengths of 4" X 100' Supply Line (\$3,410.00)
Ten (10) Lengths of 2.5" X 50' Attack Line (\$2,783.20)
Ten (10) Lengths of 3" X 50' Supply Line (\$3,604.50)
Twenty (20) Lengths of 1.75" Attack Line (\$4,653.20)

Total Expense - \$14,450.90

- M/M Roberts/Leonard to Purchase all lines. – AIF-Motion carried
- We received ten (10) Mustang Cold Water Suits yesterday. We are in the process of inventorying them and then they will go into service.
- All items purchased under the 2024 AFG Grant have now been received. All members have been issued their respective equipment including gloves now. We are awaiting the government to re-open so that invoices can be forwarded and be paid.
- Should any members need any items, they should put in a work order and it will be addressed.
- Reminder NO members should be wearing **ANY** privately purchased Structural Firefighting Equipment without the consent of the Stony Brook Fire District. This includes Helmets, Gloves, Boots, etc.
- St. James F.D. Annual Inspection & Installation - Saturday May 30th (6pm Cocktail Hour - 7pm Dinner/ Program) at Watermill . Brought up again and at this time, Commissioner Holsberg will let the DM know if he could attend. At this time, still no one can attend.
- We will be moving the 9/11 tree from the front of Sta. 2 to the rear of Sta. 2 between the gazebos. LaMay Tree Service will be doing the job.
- Tomorrow we are moving the 911 tree from the front to rear yard.

District EMS Coord. Report:

District EMS Coord. Fealey(Not In Attendance – Report Submitted Electronically)

- County Updates:
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- EMT Courses:
- Personnel:

- Resigned:
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- Dropped due to inactivity:
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- FDNY Field Medicine Symposium
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- CME Program:
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 - Currently building out Platform.
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- Controlled Substances
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- Equipment:
 - Additional Equipment required by updated Part 800 will be added by end of Month (enforcement effective April 22)

Attorney's Report:

Christopher P. Ring Esq. (In Attendance)

- Discussed Letter to member discussed, to return to duty sent out.
- Tuesday 5/19/26 Special Election(s). All Notices for Reso's Mandatory Referendum Purchase of Truck to be approved.
- All audits discussed referring to other Districts.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Mario Mejia (Not in Attendance, Electronically submitted)

Submitted Electronically, but not presented to BoFC.

Public Comments:

None.

M/M Leonard/Roberts to go into Exec Session at 7:42 PM. AIF-Motion carried.

Out of Exec. Session at 8:08 PM. No action taken

At this time, 8:08 PM, having no further business to discuss, M/M Leonard/D'Agostino to adjourn the meeting. - AIF-Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Degen
District Secretary