Dix Hills Fire Department

Department Meeting Minutes
August 7,2025

Alarm Summary December

Monthly Fire		**YTD Fire**	
Monthly Rescue		**YTD Rescue**	
Monthly Totals		**YTD Totals**	

Pledge and a moment of Silence for the sick, departed members.

Chief Napolitano

- Chief apologizes for being a few minutes late and also for being the only Chief available at the meeting. All other chiefs are away.
- Thank you to all that attended the East Northport parade last night. The turnout was ok. Greenlawn is next
- Congratulations to the award recipients at the installation dinner. Thank you to Capt. Spizzirri for all the help
- Capt. Spizzirri is working hard on the Dept picnic. Please respond if you are coming. The caterer needs proper head count. The picnic is August 16th from 5-8pm.
- I know you have all seen that North Babylon chief issue. Please remember that everyone has ring cameras and to be mindful of what you say on scene. You never know what is being recorded. That goes for in the back of the ambulance too. The individual has been suspended from his fulltime job. This is now affecting his home life. Remember you are in the public eye at all times. We live in a world of social media.

Chief Farrell

- Apologies for not being present
- Congratulations to all award recipients.
- Next year's dinner will be May 30th at the Long Island Aquarium. Room blocks have been set up and will be mailed out shortly
- Congratulations to K Tillis on starting driver training on the engine, K Robles on the ambulance, N Capitanio on ABLE, P Most and M Steinberh on getting cleared on the ambulance and Lt McClane on 2-8-12..

- If you are going out on a school waiver, please fil out the waiver online. Theres is a section that you have to sign, that says you have to make up your time and trainings. This way when you return you cannot say that you weren't informed.
- The AI function is live on ESO. If you plan on using it and have not done so already, please complete the video training. If you need the link please email Chief Farrell. You are still responsible for reviewing and proofreading that AI generated Narratives. If you get called to court you are still responsible for the narratives and PCR as a whole.
- Please make sure you are signing into alarms that you respond to. If there's an issue with the reader, please inform dispatch and your officers and write it up. Also, fill out the form online to get credit
- 9/17 is the next Blood Drive from 1-7pm at HQ

Chief Fico

- Apologies for not being here
- Dept training August 17th 0900 start time at the training building
- 8/18 is the last Yaphank of the year. All members must make at least 1 a year. There are currently 6 members that are interior qualified that still need a Yaphank
- Look out for company burns during the week
- I will see you all at the picnic

Chief Stio

- Apologies for not being here
- 8/28 is the Greenlawn parade. It's the final parade of the season
- Benevolent committee purchased the members the 2025 installation gifts. Gifts will be handed out at the next Dept meeting

Company 1

- Meeting Monday

Company 2

- Meeting Monday

Company 3

- Meeting Tuesday

Rescue

- Meeting 8/20, with training prior to meeting by Co1

Fire Police

- No report

Ex-Chiefs

- No Report

BOFC

- Meeting next Weds 8/13. All are invited

Coordinators

- No Report

Membership

- Second reading for James Muirhear Co3 Rescue
    - Motion to not accept James Muirhear, Co3 Rescue, as a member of the Dix Hills FD
        - First: Capt. C Schumacher
        - Second: Tony Balcon
        - All in favor, none opposed
- Second Reading for Rahim Sheikh Co 2 Rescue
    - Motion to accept Rahim Sheikh, Co2, as member into the Dix Hills FD
        - First: Capt. D Da Costa
        - Second: Ltd M Fitchelberg
        - All in favor, none opposed
- Second Reading for Zoya Fawar Co 3 Rescue
    - Motion to accept Zoya Fawar, Co3 Rescue, as a member into the Dix Hills FD
        - First: Capt. C Schumacher
        - Second: Tony Balcon
        - All in favor, none opposed
- Second Reading for Kaitlin Bubritz, Co2 Rescue
    - Motion to accept Kaitlin Bubritz, Co2 Rescue, as a member into the Dix Hills FD
        - First: Capt. D DaCosta
        - Second: Lt M Fitchelberg

        - All in favor, none opposed
- Second Reading for Jahlani Hibbert Mayor Co 1 Rescue
    - Motion to accept Jahlani Hibbert, Co 1 Rescue, as a member into the Dix Hills FD
        - First: Capt. M Steed
        - Second: W Steed
        - All in favor, none opposed
- First readings: Sohini Alim Co1 Rescue
- Boris Mikhail Co2 Rescue

Juniors:

- Not report

Blood Drive

- Sept 17th

Sports

- We are hanging in there. Playoffs are at the end of September

Safety

- Ex Ch Feld, its been hot. Please hydrate.
- The AQI is extremely high and the last few days
- Huntington Manor has added the rehab unit into their mutual aid plan for working fires
- Did Dix Hills agree with them to use 2855? Ch Napolitano agreed
- Capt Spizzirri – can we ask them not to request 3 units at one time especially during early morning hours? This was a miscommunication with the last fire.
- Do we have to be drone qualified to bring 55 to mutual aids? No
- The drone is on longer on 55.
- Remember if you take 55 on a mutual aid you will be on the alarm for an extended amount of time.

Bylaw

- There is a proposed change to the bylaw. Was sent out via email. Bylaw read off with changes. R Granahan is the author and P. McDonnell the author is Ex Ch DiPino and he is not in attendance

Driver Training

- **Nothing discussed**

Fund Drive

- Report read off by D Critelli
- Question: Is it possible to use a window envelope for the outside?

Open House

- 10/19/25

Correspondence

- Various items read off
- Oakfield Ave – accidental
- Motion to accept Louis Aquino letter of resignation
    - First: Capt M Steed
    - Second: Capt M Spizzirri
    - All in favor, none opposed
- Golf outing

Benevolent

- Howa is Maryann Sorrentino doing? Ex-Ch Sorrentino said she is doing pretty good. Thank you to all for your best wishes.
- Ex Ch Feld thanked all who transported Charlie Feld. He is back home now

Entertainment

- Picnic will be held at HQ in August 8/16
- 911 Memorial Trip will be 9/6. We have to be there by 11am. Not sure which transportation is being use as of yet

Military Committee

- No report.

Old Business

- Nothing discussed

New Business

- Motion to donate $300 to the John Brower Jr Walk Foundation
    - First: Comm M Plumitallo
    - Second: Capt M Steed

        - All in favor, none opposed
    - Walk will at 10 am, registration will be at 9, Jones Beach field 1
- The DHFD Annual Golf Outing will we held on 9/28 at the Dix Hills golf course
- Co2 Car show will be held 9/21 and a BBQ battle will be 9/7
- Ex Ch Granahan – Medical leave is still a non-responding positing? Yes
- Ex Capt Mattone – discussion on QAQI matter. A Tomko and Dist Mgr S Dalrymple Have the only access at this time

Swearing in New Members

- A Tarique

Call Critique

- Thanked all members that came on the fire alarm after the installation dinner. You did an amazing job.

Treasurer Report:

- Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read:
    - First : Capt M Steed
    - Second :Ex-Ch R Sorrentino
      All in favor, none opposed.

- Motion to adjourn meeting:
    - First: Ex Ch R. Sorrentino
    - Second: Capt Spizzirri
    - All in favor, none opposed