

**COLDEN FIRE DISTRICT**  
**Board of Fire Commissioners**  
**Minutes – September 10, 2024**

**ATTENDEES:** Chair Gloria Marinaccio  
Vice-Chair George Abraham  
Commissioner Jeffrey Shelley - Excused  
Commissioner Jan A. Jarecki  
Commissioner Ronald Smith  
Treasurer/Secretary Michael Schneider

Chairman Marinaccio opened the Colden Fire District’s regular meeting at 7:00 PM, led the Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence for our servicemen and First Responders; thanked everyone for attending.

**Roll Call and Affirmation of Quorum:** Yes

**Public Attendance:** Douglas Hyde, Robert Ellis, Brian Sudyn, Gerald Pietraszek

**1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings -** Approval of Minutes (Regular Meeting August 13, 2024) Commissioner Jarecki made a motion to approve the Minutes as printed and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**2. Approval of Financial Actions for the Month of August 2024**

- a. Approval of Treasurer’s Report (Monthly Financial Report) as of September 1, 2024 with the ISO amount corrected
- b. Approval to Transfer Funds:

From Account	To Account	Amount
General Savings	Checking	\$15,000.00

- c. Funds Received

Agency	Credit Description	Funds	Year
Fidelis Care	Ambulance Billing	\$650.61	2024
Independent Health	Ambulance Billing	\$1,227.73	2024
2024000202	Ambulance Billing	\$250.00	2024
2024000099	Ambulance Billing (Run 24-70969)	\$537.60	2024

d. Approval of Bills Ratification of District Accounts Payable for the month

Year Funds Obligated	Claim Number	Date	Description of Transaction	Cost	Account Line
2024	3412	9/1/2024	National Fuel (Sta 2 & District Office)	\$ 38.25	A3410.413
2024	3413	9/1/2024	Charter Communication (Internet)	\$ 129.99	A3410.430
2024	3414	9/10/2024	NYSEG (District Office)	\$ 36.93	A3410.412
2024	3415	9/10/2024	Colden Fire Company (Credit Card Purchases)	\$ 158.40	A3410.21\$121.42 A3410.418\$28.73 A3410.419\$ 8.25
2024	3416	9/10/2024	ESO Solutions, Inc (Computer Interfacing)	\$ 5,106.23	A3410.416
2024	3417	9/10/2024	Alpine Software Corp. (Program Support)	\$ 2,680.78	A3410.416
2024	3418	9/10/2024	Gorman Enterprises (Annual Vehicle PM)	\$ 1,816.35	A3410.420
2024	3419	9/10/2024	Patrick Murphy (Custoian Jul-Sep 2024)	\$ 390.84	A3410.11
2024	3420	9/10/2024	Michael Schneider (Sec/Tres Jul-Sep 2024)	\$ 957.09	A3410.12
2024	3421	9/10/2024	Douglas Hyde (Records Manager Jun-Aug 2024)	\$ 469.21	A3410.13
2024	3422	9/10/2024	Ronald Smith (Rec Mgr 3/13-7/17/2024)	\$ 844.15	A3410.13\$776.63 A3410.22\$ 67.52
2024	3423	9/10/2024	Dept. of Treasury (941 Jul-Sep 2024)	\$ 1,828.53	A3410.11\$ 140.66 A3410.12\$1270.41 A3410.13\$ 103.20 A9030.84\$ 314.26
2024	3424	9/10/2024	Verzon (Ipads & Tablets)	\$ 99.99	A3410.415
2024	3425	9/10/2024	MultiMed Billing Service (A mbulance Billing)	\$ 333.61	A3410.416
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$ 14,890.35</b>	

e. Fire District Assets: as of September 1, 2024

6,372.81	M&T Checking Account
60,387.32	M&T General Fund Savings
100,000.00	General Saving CD (Matures 9/19/2024)
106,263.80	2023 LOSAP CD (Matures 12/27/2024)
102,000.00	2024 LOSAP CD (Matures 9/19/24)
27,684.05	Capital Reserve Account –Repair Res. (Matures: 10/30/24)
830,994.93	Capital Reserve Account – Apparatus (Matures: 10/18/24)
30,432.85	Capital Reserve Account – ISO
16,626.19	Capital Reserve Account – Unrestricted
99,176.26	Capital Reserve Account –SCBA/PPE(Matures: 11/03/24)
10,926.14	Ambulance Billing Checking (Less A/P \$10,323.77)
<u>3,214.76</u>	Capital Reserve Account – Morale (Matures: 1/1/25)
<b>\$1,394,079.11</b>	<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>

Commissioner Abraham made a motion to approve and ordered the Treasurer to complete the above listed financial actions and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**3. Correspondence and communications received:**

- a. August Meeting excerpt with Resolution 2024-066 Resignation of Nicholas Sullivan copy given to Dave Stromecki to send to FireFly and his records.
- b. Given to Dave Stromecki the new 2-year contract with FireFly to send to them and for his records.
- c. Duplicate NYSEG for August 2024, which appeared to have been lost in the mail. Amount paid was what was quoted via a phone call to them.
- d. VFIS Poster about Leadership requiring a comprehensive risk-mitigation mindset. Poster is about integrity.
- e. August 2024 Statement from Elan Financial replacement statement for original lost in the mail. Paid the amount quoted per a phone call to Elan.
- f. UB/MD Emergency Medicine sent a new 2-year Medical Director contract at the same price we have been paying. Commissioner Smith taking care of it.
- g. Letter from VFIS Claims Management that a Loss Notice against the Ambulance has been closed with not payment paid out. (MACC Unit Incident and Broken Antenna)
- h. Advertising from Brink Alert concerning overhead door safety lights
- i. Granger Advertisement, gave to Colden 9
- j. Elan Credit Card came in with nothing charged this month.
- k. NYSIF estimate earned premiums for policy 1234828-0 and 1234830-6 during 7/1/23 to 7/1/24
- l. Certified Letter from Catholic Health containing a Notice of Claim from the incident when our ambulance antenna struck a low over hang on the MACC in Orchard Park. Dave Stromecki, Insurance Agent, notified which should reopen the District's Insurance claim.
- m. Letter from NYSLRS requesting a new Standard Day Resolution posted for 30-Days.
- n. Uline Catalogue Special Edition Spring/Summer 2024

4. Committee Reports

- Personnel, Insurance, Service Award Committee – Nationwide Statement for August 2024 indicated an Employer Discretionary Withdrawal of \$7,020.00, the normal monthly benefits paid. An analysis of the District's Nationwide account:

\$ 723,630.10	Opening Value on 01/01/2024
106,263.80	2023 Contribution & Interest to CD Exp. 12/27/24
102,000.00	2024 Contribution to a 6-Month CD Exp. 9/19/24
1,800.00	Return of over payment (April 2024)
66.67	Adjustment made in April 2024
(66.67)	Adjustment Made in June 2024
36,627.14	2024 Investment Loss Jan 1 to August 31, 2024
(2,639.86)	Nationwide Advisory Fees-to-Date for 2024
(50,080.00)	Pensions paid out through July 31, 2024
<u>\$ 910,581.18</u>	Total Account Value on 8/31/2024
Additional Program Expenses:	
\$ 4,468.67	Jan 1, 2024 to Date FireFly Admin Fees

- Maintenance of Buildings and Apparatus, Driver Certification, Communications Committee – With 254 days into the 2024 year the District spent \$10,564.92 from A3410.420 on repairs.
  - Ambulance EMT compartment air conditioner inop. Parts ordered
  - Rescue 7 Missing the K-12 Moved to Eng. 1
  - Res 7 Foam Container cleaned and Colden 9 informed about a mess
  - Res 7 (8/28/24) A Portable Radio Missing, Colden 9-2 using it
  - Eng. 1 Light out in Light Bar, Fixed
  - Eng 2 Pump panel light out on right side
  - Eng 2 Gas can empty
- Executive Board Committee – Next meeting will be held on October 7, 2024
- Training Committee – Training Schedule for this coming month:
  - Sep 16, 2024 – Smoke House Man Down
  - Sep 23, 2024 – EMS TBD & Fire Arial Tng.
  - Sep 30, 2024 – Roof work & Ladders
- Standard Operating Guideline (SOG) Committee – Still working on Res 7
- Medical Readiness – New UB/MD 2-Year contract for a Medical Director
- Privacy/ Record Access (FOIL) Officer – No Report

### 5. Fire Company Readiness

Personnel	Authorized	Beginning Strength	Gains for Month	Losses for Month	Ending Strength	Percent
Firefighters	37	18	1	0	19	51%
EMS	11	7	0	0	7	64%
Fire Police	10	8	0	0	8	80%
Total	58	33	1	0	34	59%

Non Deployable Status	
Medical/OSHA	2
Extended Leave	0

Medical (Physicals)		
Scheduled	Completed	Medical %
34	32	94%

Deployable Firefighters (32/34) %		94%		Average Age (29 Members)		59.43 Y O A
Equipment	Authorized	On Hand	Equipment Percentage	Mission Capable		Readiness Percentage
				FMC	NMC	
Engine 1	1	1	100%	1	0	
Engine 2	1	1	100%	1	0	
Engine 3	1	1	100%	1	0	
Tanker 5	1	1	100%	1	0	
Rescue 7	1	1	100%	1	0	
Ambulance 8	1	1	100%	1	0	
<b>Overall</b>	6	6	100%	6	0	<b>100%</b>

Training Status	Strength	Firefighter One	In-House Training	EMT	Fire Police	Percent
Firefighters	19	11	8	0	0	69%
EMS	7	0	0	7	0	83%
Fire Police	8	0	0	0	8	75%
Total	34	11	8	7	8	86%

Number of Fire Responses	7
Number of EMS Responses	30
Total for the Month of Aug 2024	37

2024 Total Responses	251
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**Recruitment Activities for Month:** Advertised on both Fire Company Marquees, and sponsored the Scouting America (Boy Scout) bottle return drive, Colden Concerts 2024 and BOLO Food Distribution.

a. Fire Chief:

Call/Drill sign-in sheets for August 2024 have been received.

Support of Special Events: 9/10/24 – T/Colden Assistance Culverts  
9/11/24 – 911 Remembrance

b. EMS Chief: Have everything needed to convert into an EMS Vehicle

c. Safety Officer: No Report

d. President of the Auxiliary: No Report

e. Fire Police: No Report

f. President of the Fire Company:

**Resolution # 2024- 069 – Application for Membership to the Fire Company/District: Robert Ellis**

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District has received an application from the Colden Fire Company for appointment of Robert Ellis to said Company as a Volunteer; and

**WHEREAS**, the application has been reviewed and recommended by Fire Chief Brian Sudyn;

**WHEREAS**, Assistant Fire Chief James DePasquale submitted Jordan's name for his back ground check and it came back \_\_\_\_\_.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to Accept Robert Ellis as a Member to the CFC and Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED** that Robert Ellis is hereby appointed as a Volunteer Member of the Colden Fire Company. Robert will need to pass a Firefighters physical, read the SOGs and complete OSHA Training.

**6. Purchase Requests (Equipment / Services):**

Description of Items	Account	Cost
Security Seals w/numbers	A3410.22	92.99
Batteries for Streamlights	A3410.21	199.92
Lights for 9-1 new vehicle	A3410.21	1,300.00
6 ea. Vehicle Cameras	A3410.20	800.00
<b>Total Estimated Cost</b>		<b>\$2,392.91</b>

**Resolution # 2024- 070 – Fire District Purchases**

Commissioner Jarecki made a motion to approve the purchases and Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion: Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**7. Unfinished Business:**

- a. Equipment defects that need to be addressed:
  - Recommended Under Coating Engine 1 and 3 (Waiting on Town Board approval). New vehicle arriving this June, need to coordinate with Town Garage.
  - Hose Testing: Non Locking Hose will be replaced with Eng. 2 hose on a drill night (August 2024)
    - Eng. 3, 4" #4000, 100', Non-Locking, No Date
    - Eng. 3, 4" #4002, 100', Non-Locking, No Date
    - Eng. 3, 4" #4003, 100', Non-Locking
    - Eng. 3, 4" #4005, 100', Non-Locking
    - Eng. 3, 2.5", #2506, 50', No Date
    - Eng. 3, 2.5", #2507, 50', No Date
    - Eng. 2, 4", #4022, 100', Non-Locking
    - Eng. 2, 4", #4023, 100', Non-Locking
    - Eng. 2, 4", #4027, 100', Non-Locking
    - Eng. 2, 1.75, #1039 50', No Date
    - Eng. 2, 2 ea. Suction Hoses failed, missing gaskets
    - Eng. 1, 1.75", #1026, 50', leaking from behind coupling (replaced from Eng. 2)
      - Rescue 7, 1.75", #1054, 50', Leak @ Coupling
      - Tanker 5 has only 1 ea. 2.5" hose, but has 2 ea. 4" hoses.
      - Eng. 1 has a new air leak
    - Resc 7 SCBA Pack has only 30 PSI
    - Resc 7 spare bottles 2 ea. at 40 PSI & 1 ea. at 30 PSI
    - Eng. 1 found a 2.5" Hose with a leak
    - Eng. 3 No Flares (Commissioner Abraham will look for them)

Gorman Problems: To be completed during 2024 annual inspection

Items on Comm. Shelley's List: None

SCBA Problems: (June 2024 plan I place to purchase six (6) more used bottles)

- Eng. 2 only has 3 SCBA Masks (Sm, Med & Lg.) w/5 packs
- Eng. 2 one (1) SCBA Tank needs filling
- Eng. 1 Missing one (1) SCBA Bottle

a. Commissioner Shelley wants to have his Vehicle Purchasing Team to start the process of looking for a vehicle. First step is determining the needs over the next 20-Years. He will put together his thoughts and the can start from there in March 2024. Comm. Shelley presented a chart with expected future costs and anticipated funds available (Mar 24) The overall concept for the future needs to be developed starting with a Rescue 7 and which vehicle will get the needed tools or should Rescue 7 even carry water, technically it is a woodland fire fighter vehicle taken on the rescue mission. The Reserve Fund comes due April 18, 2024 and it was approved to place it in a 6-Month CD

b. The District received a second bill for work done in October 2023 on the Stryker equipment. We paid the first one in November 2023, which was never cashed until this month (March 2024). The second invoice was received and paid in February 2024 thinking the first one was lost in the mail. An email was sent to Stryker where the second invoice was received from. No answer so far. The first check was included in the check book as a withdrawal until a refund is received. (May '24) Still waiting on a call back, Commissioner Smith gave a couple of other phone numbers to try. As of August 2024 many attempts to find a contact with the company have failed. Orchard Park Offices have closed, all know phone numbers have reached dead air, all email contact receive no answer at this time.

c. Anyone who missed the group physical needs to complete it before responding. A letter will be sent to those who are too late. One Member needs to get a letter when the Chief returns (Aug 2024)

d. OFPC Training stipend Program: The final version of the regulations was officially filed on February 20th, with an effective date of March 6, 2024. The Association has provided a dedicated "Training Stipends for Volunteer Firefighters" resource page on our website  
[https://www.afdsny.org/training\\_stipends\\_for\\_voluntee.php](https://www.afdsny.org/training_stipends_for_voluntee.php) with a direct link to the Office of Fire Prevention and Control's (OFPC) website which provides comprehensive information, including program overviews and necessary forms. OFPC direct link: <https://www.dhses.ny.gov/new-york-state-volunteerfirefighter-stipend-program>.

The regulations also establish the rules that will govern local training stipend programs. Local programs will be paid by local dollars so you will need to



consider budgeting for your local program before you adopt your budget for 2025. The regulations establish criteria that your district and department must meet to be authorized to operate a local program. If you're considering offering a local program, it's crucial to take the necessary steps to enable its operation when you're prepared to allocate funds. OFPC established the courses that are eligible for state stipends and local stipends under these rules. The regulations outline the eligible courses for state stipends and specify the corresponding stipend amounts: Qualifying Courses and Stipend Amounts: (1) Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations with Hazardous Material First Responder Operations course or equivalent: in an amount to be determined by OFPC, up to \$750. (2) Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus with Interior Firefighting Operations course or equivalent: in an amount to be determined by OFPC, up to \$1,250. (3) Fire Officer I course or completion of the five modules of the Fire Officer I program including Company Training and Community Risk Reduction, Firefighter Health and Safety, Leadership and Supervision, Planning and Emergency Response, and Fireground Strategies and Tactics for First Arriving Companies or equivalent: in an amount to be determined by OFPC, up to \$1,000. (4) Any additional State Fire Training Course identified and published by OFPC: in an amount to be determined by OFPC, up to \$500. The regulations state the following on the courses that are eligible for the local stipends and the amount of those stipends: (e) Qualifying Courses and Stipend Amount. A Local Fire Training Stipend may be authorized for the completion of any State Fire Training Courses or equivalents, as determined by OFPC: up to \$500. Here are your requirements as an organization: (b) Fire Department Eligibility. Applications for a State Fire Training Stipend will only be accepted from Fire Departments that: (1) Submitted Fire Department incident data through the Fire Reporting System, as required by General Municipal Law section 204-d, for the prior reporting year. (2) Submit Fire Department demographics to OFPC annually, using a form published by OFPC, to include the following information: (i) fire station addresses, including substations; (ii) number of interior firefighters; (iii) number of exterior firefighters; (iv) name and contact information of Fire Chief or equivalent; and (v) name and contact information of assistant/deputy chiefs or equivalent Fire Chief successor positions. Please get your filings in order. We recommend that you review the final version of the regulations on our website or at the OFPC website. One interesting aspect of the document is that in addition to publishing the final version of the regulations it provides the comments that were made to OFPC on the draft regulations and OFPC responses to those comments. (Refer to the full article in AFDSNY Fire District Affair Apr-May 2024) (July 2024) NEW YORK STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER TRAINING STIPEND PROGRAM: (Article per Fire District Affairs June-July 2024) We have previously reported on the Volunteer Firefighter Training Stipend Program, and we want to remind members that this program is available for their personnel through the Office of Fire Prevention and Control ["OFPC"]. The program became effective as of August 31, 2023 under General Municipal Law § 200-aa and the later adoption of implementing regulations under Part 215 to Title 9 NYCRR. OFPC is authorized to administer a State-funded Fire Training Stipend to volunteer firefighters for

completion of certain firefighter training courses (listed at its website below) on or after August 31, 2023. The statute also authorizes fire companies to administer a local fire training stipend program, subject to authorization by the governing board of city, town, village, or fire district (Authority Having Jurisdiction), but most fire districts will wait until fiscal year 2025 since they would not have budgeted for a local program in 2024. We have the needed forms that are required.

e. Two (2) Fire Exit exterior doors at Station 2 still have the old key unlocking system. The purpose for the lock changes was to eliminate access to the many excess keys given out over the years. It was determined that there was no need to enter the building from the exterior, only use as fire exits. The lock can be glued to render the key operation useless

f. Hoses from Eng. 2 that are good and passable will be used to replace questionable hoses on Engines 1 & 3. Engine 2 will be used as the parts vehicle or "Garage Queen"

g. Working on an new Rescue 7/EMS Response vehicle SOG

h. One member has not completed the physical as of today. A letter will be sent to them by the Chief (Aug 2024)

**8. New Business:**

**Discussion item # 1 – Resolution # 2024-071 - Agreement for 2-Years for Medical Director:** UB/MD mailed the new contract for a Medical Director effective October 1, 2024 to December 31, 2026. The rate is \$3,000.00 per year for Basic EMT operations. This is the same rate the District has been paying. Commissioner Smith is handling the matter.

Commissioner Jarecki made a motion to accept the new 2-Year contract from UB/MD for a Medical Director to oversee a basic EMT Service and Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**Discussion item # 2 – Resolution # 2024-072 – Posting of Legal Notice –** Treasurer will coordinate with the Springville Journal and the Fire Company Website to post the following Legal Notice prior to October 4, 2024

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Proposed Budget of the Colden Fire District in the Town of Colden, State of New York, will be presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Colden Fire District, for its consideration.

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office Building, 8511 Center Street, Colden, New York 14033, in the Town of Colden, State of New York on Tuesday the 15h day of October, 2024.

Pursuant to Town Law §105, the Board of Fire Commissioners must hold a public hearing on the budget, make the proposed budget available to the public prior to the public hearing, allow the public to comment on the budget at the public hearing. This public hearing must be held to allow maximum public participation in the hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow any person to be heard in favor of or against the proposed budget as it is submitted, or for or against any item or items contained in the proposed budget, and hearing all persons interested in the subject concerning same.

A copy of the proposed budget is available at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Colden at 8812 State Road, Colden, New York 14033 where it may be inspected by any interested person during office hours (10:00 AM through 3:00 PM)

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Commissioner Smith made a motion to post in the Springville Journal in a timely manner and Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**Discussion item # 3 – Resolution # 2024-073 – New 2024 Record of**

**Activities:** for the position of Secretary/Treasurer was presented to the CFD Commissioners for consideration. The study took place in May, June, and July 2024. A total of 173.0 Hours was logged in that there (3) month period **Standard Day filing:** will be based on 6-hours per day and will follow the 2024 quarterly work load study. Form RS 2417-A will be posted for thirty (30) days on the District Office Public Bulletin Board at 8511 Center Street. An Affidavit of Posting will be filed in the District Office and after posting the annual Form 2417-A will be forwarded to Office of the NYS Comptroller, NYS and Local Retirement System. New study comes out to be an average of 9.61 days per month. Posted September 10, 2024.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept the new May, Jun & Jul 2024 Standard Day 3-Month study based on a 6-Hour Day for Secretary/Treasurer and

Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**Discussion item # 4 – Resolution # 2024-074 – CD Coming Due in September 2024:** CD 2024 LOSAP Contribution \$102,000.00 plus interest comes due 9/19/24. Should the District renew the CD or send it to Nationwide and subject fees to keep it in their bonds? Bonds may be coming back again and bank interest rates maybe dropping if the reserve lowers interest rates. The second CD coming due is General Savings \$100,000.00 plus interest. Currently there is \$45,387.32 in Savings plus the District is authorized to move \$14,738.28 from Repair Reserve. Also in the CD in \$43,738.28 of 2023 Funds. Last year the District spent \$61,241.23 during October –December 2023 and January-March 2024 we spent \$64,175.23.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to keep the LOSAP CD for another 6-months and keep a portion of the savings CD less \$30,000.00 to be placed into the Savings Reserve and Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

**Discussion item # 5 –** Antenna needed for marquee at Station 2 (part order and replaced District will receive an invoice soon) Works intermittently, still watching as of January Mtg. Antenna replaced by one in stock but, the upper two (2) panels on the board are still only working intermittently. Replaced the screen

**Discussion item # 6 –** Vehicle items repaired:

- Eng. 1 Front Left Flash Bulb out
- Eng. 1 Rear Floodlights inop., Has two (2) switches that need to be on.
- Eng. 1 OOS Eff 7/29/24 Leak in Compressed Air System, fixed
- Rescue 7 No K-12 Saw (7/29/24), Moved to Eng 1
- Rescue 7 No Foam (7/29/24)

**Discussion item # 7–** Fire Company concern is that the current system with no Truck Captains is putting too much work on one or two people. District may want to review the current policy along with the Chiefs. Bottom line is that it is the Chief's decision and he only asked them to check the SCBA's and be sure the vehicle checks are completed.

**9. Public Comments:** None

**10. Next Regular Board Meeting:** Tuesday October 8, 2024 at 7:00 PM in the District Office.

**11. Adjournment @ 8:11 P.M.** With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Marinaccio made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Abraham seconded the motion. Marinaccio-Yea, Abraham-Yea, Shelley-Excused, Jarecki-Yea, Smith-Yea Motion Approved

COLDEN FIRE DISTRICT

MEETING AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings
2. Approval of Financial Transactions for the Month
  - Approval of Treasurer's Report (Monthly Financial Report)
  - Approval of Bills (Ratification of District Accounts Payable)
  - Approval of Refunds/Credits
  - Fire District Assets
3. Correspondence and communications received
4. Committee Reports
  - Personnel Committee, Insurance, Service Award Committee
  - Maintenance of Buildings and Apparatus, Driver Certification, Communications Committee
  - Executive Board Committee
  - Training Committee
  - Standard Operating Guideline (SOG) Committee
  - Medical readiness Committee
5. Fire Company Readiness
  - Fire Chief
  - EMS Chief
  - Safety Officer
  - President of the Auxiliary
  - Fire Police Captain
  - President of the Fire Company
6. Purchase Requests (Fire Company/District)
7. Unfinished Business (Open Issues):
8. New Business
9. Executive Session (Personnel Issues)
10. Public Comment
11. Next Meeting
12. Adjournment

## **PUBLIC MEETING RULES**

**Order of Agenda** - Items listed on the Agenda may be taken out of order.

**Accommodations** – Colden Fire District Office Building is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate persons with special needs. Please contact the Fire Board one week in advance of the meeting.

**Manner of Addressing the Fire Board** - In order to conduct orderly, efficient, effective and dignified meetings that promote a governmental purpose with a governmental process, public comment may address any agenda item or other public issue that the Fire Board has the authority to effectuate or exercise control over. Public comment on matters beyond the Fire District's scope of authority is not relevant, does not invoke a governmental process nor serve a governmental purpose and is contrary to the effective, efficient and orderly business conducted by the Colden Fire District. Each person addressing the Fire Board shall stand up, shall give his/her name and shall limit the time of his/her presentation to three (3) minutes. All public comment remarks shall be addressed to the Fire Board as a body, and not to any member thereof. No person, other than members of the Fire Board and the person having the floor shall be permitted to enter into any discussion. No questions shall be asked of the Board Members, except through the presiding chairman. Speakers shall avoid undue repetition of points previously presented to the Fire Board.

**Disruptive Conduct** - Any person who willfully disrupts a meeting to the extent that its orderly conduct is made impractical may be removed from the meeting by order of the presiding chairman. A person willfully disrupts a meeting when he/she (1) uses physical violence, threatens the use of physical violence or provides the use of physical violence or (2) continues to use loud, boisterous, unruly or provocative behavior after being asked to stop, which behavior is determined by the presiding Chairman, or a majority of the Fire Board present, to be disruptive to the orderly conduct of the meeting or (3) fails to comply with any lawful decision or order of the presiding Chairman or of a majority of the Fire Board relating to the orderly conduct of the meeting.

**Use of Recording Equipment** - All members of the public and all public officials are allowed to tape or video record public meetings. Recording is not allowed during executive sessions. The recording (tape/video) is permissible as long as the device is unobtrusive and will not distract from the true deliberative process of the Board.

<b>Register of 2024 Resolutions</b>		
<b>Resolution Number</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Description of Resolution</b>
2024-001	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of Chairperson for Calendar Year 2024
2024-002	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of Vice-Chairperson for Calendar Year 2024
2024-003	Jan 4, 24	Adoption of Agenda
2024-004	Jan 4, 24	Adoption of Robert's Rules of Order
2024-005	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of Treasurer/Secretary
2024-006	Jan 4, 24	New ROA & Standard Day Filing to NYS
2024-007	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of Records Managers
2024-008	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of District Custodian
2024-009	Jan 4, 24	Authorizing Appointment of Attorney for Calendar Year 2024
2024-010	Jan 4, 24	Designating Surety Bonding for the Treasurer of the Colden Fire District
2024-011	Jan 4, 24	Authorizing Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2024
2024-012	Jan 4, 24	Designation of Official Newspaper for Publications for Calendar Year 2023
2024-013	Jan 4, 24	Authorizing Per Diem and Mileage Reimbursements (67.0 Cents)
2024-014	Jan 4, 24	Authorizing Advance Travel Payments
2024-015	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of Fire District Purchasing Agents
2024-016	Jan 4, 24	Fire District Memberships
2024-017	Jan 4, 24	Renewals of All Fire District Lease and Recurring Contractual Agreements
2024-018	Jan 4, 24	Authorizing Approval and Payment of Claims
2024-019	Jan 4, 24	Designation of Fire District Bank
2024-020	Jan 4, 24	Review of Expenditures (Calendar Year 2023)
2024-021	Jan 4, 24	Fire District Committee Appointments
2024-022	Jan 4, 24	Appointment of Independent Auditor for Calendar Year 2023 Records
2024-023	Jan 4, 24	Open Government Resolution
2024-024	Jan 4, 24	Signature Authority
2024-025	Jan 9, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-026	Jan 9, 24	Unexpected Invoice from OPFD EMS Paid
2024-027	Jan 9, 24	Hose, Ladder and hard Suction testing April 27, 2024
2024-028	Jan 9, 24	SOG 8.01 - Mutual Aid Policy Change/Updated
2024-029	Jan 9, 24	Colden LOSAP Points - Posted
2024-030	Feb 13, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-031	Feb 13, 24	SOG Review
2024-032	Feb 13, 24	Service Award Credit for 2023
2024-033	Feb 13, 24	Annual Inspection Dinner
2024-034	Feb 13, 24	2023 Achievement Awards
2024-035	Feb 13, 24	2024/2025 CFC Announced Candidates for Office
2024-036	Feb 13, 24	Changing Collateralized Deposits for Wilmington Trust N.A.
2024-037	Feb 13, 24	Declared an Emergency to pay for the repair of generator
2024-038	Feb 13, 24	Termination of a Probation Member
2024-039	Mar 12, 24	Resignation from CFC/D – Tyler Zak
2024-040	Mar 12, 24	Resignation from CFC/D – Calvin Rauch
2024-041	Mar 12, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-042	Mar 12, 24	Emergency Gen. Repair Down Payment before job completed
2024-043	Mar 12, 24	Colden Fire Company Elected Officers



Register of 2024 Resolutions		
2024-044	Mar 12, 24	Movements of 2021 & 2022 Unspent Funds
2024-045	Mar 12, 24	Ambulance Billing Program - MultiMed
2024-046	Mar 12, 24	2024 Tax Check Distribution
2024-047	Apr 9, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-048	Apr 9, 24	SOG #5.06 District FOIL Requests
2024-049	Apr 9, 24	New Record Access Officer – Comm. Smith
2024-050	Apr 9, 24	ESO Billing Interface Contract
2024-051	Apr 9, 24	Ambulance Billing Records Manager – Comm. Smith
2024-052	Apr 9, 24	Change Rescue 7 into a BLS Response Vehicle
2024-053	May 14, 24	New Member - Melanie Rae Barry
2024-054	May 14, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-055	May 14, 24	Emergency Repair to Ambulance
2024-056	May 14, 24	New SOG #8.06 Ambulance Billing
2024-057	May 14, 24	Apparatus access to buildings way off the road of across creeks
2024-058	May 14, 24	LOSAP 2023 Audit
2024-059	Jun 11, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-060	Jun 11, 24	Sign the two (2) year Hudson Electrical Rate agreement
2024-061	Jun 11, 24	Renew the CDs for 2023 LOSAP & Morale Maturing this month
2024-062	Jul 9, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-063	Jul 9, 24	Accept the Annual 2023 Financial Audit
2024-064	Jul 9, 24	Legal Notice for 2023 Financial Audit
2024-065	Jul 9, 24	MOU with Erie County for use of Station 1
2024-066	Aug 13, 24	Resignation/Removal of a Member – Nicholas Sullivan
2024-067	Aug 13, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-068	Aug 13, 24	FireFly Year Agreement
2024-069	Sep 10, 24	New Member to the Fire Company/District: Robert Ellis
2024-070	Sep 10, 24	Fire District Purchases
2024-071	Sep 10, 24	Agreement for 2-Years for Medical Director
2024-072	Sep 10, 24	Posting of Legal Notice – Budget Meeting
2024-073	Sep 10, 24	New 2024 Record of Activities for Sec/Trea.
2024-074	Sep 10, 24	CD Coming Sue in September 2024