

Greenville Fire District Regular Meeting		<u>ACCEPTED</u>
Minutes:	March 10, 2026	
Type of Meeting:	Public Session	
Meeting opened:	6:39 PM	
Meeting called by:	Walter Groden	
Attendees:	Commissioners: Walter Groden Warren Hershkowitz Helene Orce Michael Rappe (joined at 6:53 PM) Louis Russo Fire Chief: Costanzo Spedalieri Deputy Treasurer / Secretary: Jennifer DiMartino	
Courtesy of the floor: None.		
Resolution	2026 –3.1	
The minutes of the February 10, 2026 Public Session be accepted as amended.		
Motion:	Hershkowitz	
Second:	Russo	
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Russo		
There was a discussion regarding the Treasurer candidates for hire. The already approved consulting position with Gabby Barahona will be filled by Angela Sinclair starting on 3/13/26 while the District continues to look for a permanent candidate. No permanent offer has been made yet. Commissioner Russo requested a copy of Angela’s resume and would like to meet her. The Board also requested that Gabby provide further detail in her invoices.		
6:53 PM – Commissioner Rappe joined the meeting.		
There was a discussion about a ConEd energy use audit that we completed 3-4 years ago. Since that audit, the District has updated to LED lighting in much of the building to reduce the cost with ConEd.		
There was a discussion about the career academy and the cutting of funding from County. The Board will consider reaching out to other funding sources to potential assist with the rising costs to the District.		
There was a question about the Ricoh printer and how much we pay monthly for the equipment.		
There was a discussion about L4 and the cost for repair from Neville. The Board is considering writing a letter to the apparatus manufacturer to see if we can recover any of the cost.		
Resolution	2026 – 3.2	
Approve the financial statements for January and February 2026 as presented.		
Motion:	Hershkowitz	
Second:	Orce	
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo		

Chief's Report:	
Resolution	2026 – 3.3
Approve that all members be paid for illnesses during February 2026.	
Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Commissioner Russo requested that we break out the costs for illness coverage. The Board supported this once the new Treasurer was hired and can help refine a report to capture that data. Chief gave an update on the flood mitigation project, the five new probationary hires, apparatus updates (Rescue 29 is back from repair, Squad 15 requires some repairs).	
Resolution	2026 – 3.4
Approval to begin the process with County HR to promote a Daytime Captain, Lieutenant and hire a transfer Firefighter.	
Motion:	Orce
Second:	Hershkowitz
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe	
Voting against: Russo	
There was a lengthy discussion about the acquisition of a replacement engine. Chief reviewed four quotes with the Board: Neville / Marion: 1,278,506 (2 – 2.5 years until delivery) Rosenbauer / Gabrielli: 1,243,562 (575 days until delivery) Firematic / Pierce: 1.47M (1,560 days until delivery) Seagrave: 1.697 (1,500 days until delivery) Pierce program rigs (on the line already): can possibly get delivery in 6 months – 1 year but the price is not much better and you do not get exactly the specs that you need for your department. Commissioner Russo suggested getting ratings on the companies of each proposal. Chief discussed a possible Scott Pack grant, we will follow-up with IPP Solar to see if they are still considering helping fund the equipment.	
Volunteer Assistant Chief Report: The A/C report was presented. Two applications for volunteer members were discussed. There was a discussion about a recruiting banner to be placed at the front of the firehouse.	
Old Business:	
Some highlights from the latest ECC meeting were shared with the Board: 14 Castle Walk, 1019 Central Park Ave South will become a pickleball court, Fort Hill / Ardsley stop-light, and multiple watermain breaks in the district were discussed.	
The draft building use policy was mentioned. This will be tabled until a later date with the passing of Jim Hart and a slew of other urgent priority matters.	
The Committee is meeting with Hartsdale Fire Department on 3/13/26 to discuss a possible tax neutral solution to the district line issue.	
The SLAPP lawsuit that the District was awarded years back was discussed. Jen to email Commissioner Hershkowitz the email history and he will follow-up with the lawyers to get an update on the funds.	

New Business: None.	
Correspondence: None.	
Questions: None.	
Courtesy of the floor (for additional matters): None.	
8:09 PM – Motion to close Public Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.	
Motion:	Rappe
Second:	Hershkowitz
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	
8:42 PM – Motion to re-open Public Session to discuss public matters.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Resolution	2026 – 3.7
Approve the two volunteer applications (Ann Corcione and Justin Vanoli) pending successfully passing their criminal background check, arson check and medical evaluation.	
Motion:	Rappe
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Resolution	2026 – 3.8
Approve the Volunteer slate of Line Officers as presented: following command control protocol, which is outlined in the Organizational Statement.	
Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe	
Voting against: Russo	
8:55 PM – Meeting adjourned.	
Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Rappe
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	