Greenville Fire District Regular Meeting	**ACCEPTED**
Minutes:	**June 15, 2026**
Type of Meeting:	Public Session
Meeting opened:	7:06 PM
Meeting called by:	Warren Hershkowitz
Attendees:	Commissioners: Walter Groden Warren Hershkowitz Helene Orce Michael Rappe Louis Russo Fire Chief: Costanzo Spedaliere Consultant Treasurer: Angela Sinclair Deputy Treasurer / Secretary: Jennifer DiMartino

Courtesy of the floor: None

Resolution	**2026 –6.1**
The minutes of the May 12, 2026 Public Session be accepted as amended regarding the placement of Mr. Russo's reply regarding operational communication of emergency events.	
Motion:	Groden
Second:	Hershkowitz
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Resolution	**2026 – 6.2**
The minutes of the May 12, 2026 Public Session be accepted as amended and to include Mr. Russo's adjustments (exact language would be shared with the District Secretary for accuracy purposes).	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	None
Motion did not pass.	

Resolution	**2026 – 6.3**
The minutes of the May 12, 2026 Public Session be accepted as amended, regarding motion 5.4.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Resolution	**2026 – 6.4**
The minutes of the May 12, 2026 Public Session be accepted as amended, regarding motion 5.6.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Rappe
Voting in favor: Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Voting against: Groden, Hershkowitz	

The March minutes should read: “pending” an arson check, background check… instead of “processing of” an arson check, background check...

Resolution	2026 – 6.5
Approve the financial reports for May 2026 as presented.	
Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Rappe
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

The Board and community would like more granular detail for the budget lines via the use of sub categories.

Chief’s Report:

Resolution	2026 – 6.6
Approve that all members be paid for illnesses during May 2026.	
Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo (Commissioner Russo wants to ask a question about this in Executive Session).	

Chief gave an update on:

- Alarms/calls in the district.
- The Probationary Firefighters are doing well.
- Consider adding to the website: information about cleaning up shrubs that surround hydrants. It might be a good idea to report this to DPW (the ECC offer to assist with this).
- FF1 and Volunteer member training with Ardsley Fire was discussed.
- Flood mitigation construction was discussed. Most of the career and volunteer staff have been trained on how to deploy the systems.
- Accountability software was discussed. Chief will speak with Dobbs Ferry Fire, who is using it right now before discussing further.
- New pumper / engine was discussed:
    - On-the-line rig would cut the time in half but does not affect the price much.
    - The Pierce Dealer Allocated Stock (DAS) program was discussed. Pierce puts out 6 engines / 6 ladders per yr – an agency would get close (but not exact) to what we need in terms of specs with a 14 month delivery time, yet no change in price.

      Other options to consider:
    - Purchase rig outright.
    - Pay in installments, and at the end we pay a balloon payment.
    - Leasing plan w/ Pierce (or other).
- Board would like a short list of all the pros and cons of each option / presentation of all the options for consideration.
- Board agreed that we need to prioritize a capital plan.
- Chief shared that we will need to replace the ladder truck soon and they cost ~2M+.

Commissioner Russo: regarding the volunteer turnout report and the incident summary (line item 100 - Fire) he would like more detail on what falls within that line item (get more granular details).

Volunteer Assistant Chief Report: The A/C report was presented. There was a discussion about a blood drive / recruitment drive, continuing training volunteer members and sharing the blood drive information with the ECC for distribution.

Old Business:

Staff will begin thinking about starting the process for bids (if necessary) for the interior lower-level construction; in anticipation of mitigation work ending near term.

Resolution	**2026 – 6.7**
Approve and adopt the updated District Investment Policy draft as presented and with the possibility that there may be some adjustments that will be discussed at the next Board meeting (some suggestions presented below): - Routinely reporting investments to the Board - Diversification of assets - State control – internal control (dual authorization) - Written procedures on wire transfers (consider an Accounting Policy) - Investments – list of permissible investments	
Motion:	Rappe
Second:	Hershkowitz
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

The Refreshments Policy was briefly discussed, the Board decided to hold off on this item until the next meeting.

There was a discussion about the District's website and what information should be available on the website:

- It was suggested that any one Member of the Board could/may write a short summary to share with the public about a given matter with the intent to better explain why the Board did a certain thing or decided on a certain way to handle something and why that type of approach was taken and then the rest of the Board can weigh in on that verbiage and decide what to post on the website.

There was a brief discussion about the Firetruck antitrust lawsuit / contamination award – The Board needs to consider if we should participate in that class action. The Board is waiting for counsel to get back to them with direction.

New Business:

Resolution	**2026 – 6.8**
The Board will conduct exit interviews going forward, in addition to the Chief who is already conducting them, so that these can be conducted on two levels.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Resolution	**2026 – 6.9**
All Board members should have the option to be part of promotional and new hire interviews (may be done in Executive Session).	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	None
Motion did not pass.	

There was a lengthy discussion about the reason and explanation for why we utilize Committees within the Board. The Board needs to further discuss before they make a decision to change how they operate in a Committee-like structure.

To consider adding to our website: have a summary of the motion that passes and that summary can be written by anyone on the Board and be accepted by majority. Any opposing or counter thoughts will be welcome and can be added in the correspondence section of the minutes.

Resolution	**2026 – 6.10**
As a Board, as minutes get approved / passed, the Board can/will provide background and history and what the thought process was for what / why that specific thing was passed.	
Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe	
Voting against: Russo	

Resolution	**2026 – 6.11**
Research recording and posting the video footage of the Board's public sessions.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Rappe
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Correspondence: None.

Courtesy of the floor: None.

Questions: None.

9:10 PM – Motion to close Public Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Motion:	Hershkowitz
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Hershkowitz, Orce, Rappe, Russo	