

Greenville Fire District
Regular Meeting

ACCEPTED

Minutes:	July 14, 2026
Type of Meeting:	Public Session
Meeting opened:	6:36 PM
Meeting called by:	Walter Groden
Attendees:	Commissioners: Walter Groden Helene Orce Michael Rappe Louis Russo Fire Chief: Costanzo Spedaliere Consultant Treasurer: Angela Sinclair Deputy Treasurer / Secretary: Jennifer DiMartino

Absent: Commissioner Warren Hershkowitz

Courtesy of the floor: None

Resolution	2026 – 7.1
The minutes of the May 12, 2026 Public Session be accepted as additionally amended.	
Motion:	Orce
Second:	Russo
Voting in favor: Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Against: Groden	

Resolution	2026 – 7.2
The minutes of the June 15, 2026 Public Session be accepted as amended.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Rappe
Voting in favor: Groden, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Resolution	2026 – 7.3
The minutes of the June 30, 2026 (Special Meeting) Public Session be accepted as submitted.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Resolution	2026 – 7.4
Approve the financial reports for June 2026 as presented.	
Motion:	Rappe
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Commissioner Russo requested further information for legal bills by subject matter, he had a question about the Verizon bills as well as having a concern with the 9-11 Wear invoices as these services should be short term/in-house.

There was a discussion about refreshments and swearing-in ceremonies. In all ceremonies for both career and volunteer: Going forward, all members of the department, including the volunteers, should be invited and offered the same level of respect for such events.

Chief's Report:

Chief gave a report on Probationary Firefighters graduation, FF1 class, Haz-Mat incident at the High School.

Resolution	2026 – 7.5
Approve that all members be paid for illnesses during June 2026.	
Motion:	Rappe
Second:	Orce
Voting in favor: Groden, Orce, Rappe, Russo	

Chief discussed the incident report and clarification on the different line items. There was also a discussion about the Volunteer turnout reports being add to the District website. There was a request to have a report to only the Commissioners with addresses (100 line) for where fires in the District took place.

Volunteer Assistant Chief Report: The A/C report was presented. The Volunteers are training with Ardsley Fire. Nothing further to report.

Old Business:

There was a lengthy discussion about the acquisition of the new engine. Leasing, used rigs, program and spec'd rigs were all reviewed. The evaluation report conducted in 2023 was discussed which highlighted the need even back in 2023 that the rig needed replacing. Commissioner Russo went through a list of follow-up questions that he had. The Chief spoke to the Operational items that was addressed in Commissioner Russo's email. Chief's final recommendation was to replace the rig and left the final decision to the rest of the Board. The Board weighed in with their opinions and requested more information regarding costs, production timing, specs and downtime for current E150. A member from the public suggested that an impact analysis be conducted.

Hydrants were discussed: It was suggested that the District reach out to Governor Hochul and Legislator Margaret Cunzio.

Crisis and Trauma Management Training was discussed: Commissioner Russo presented a possible free service with the County that we could inquire about before committing to this at-cost program. Jen, Chief and Commissioner Russo to consider and review the no-cost option and report back to the Board.

The Refreshments Policy was discussed. The Board decided to review the draft policy further before finalizing.

The Board acknowledged that they received the letter from the Union and will discuss further in executive session.

New Business:

The draft LOSAP Policy was discussed, the Board will prepare to vote on this at the next meeting.

The Volunteer Department requested that attendance sheets be put on each of the rigs.

Correspondence: None.	
Courtesy of the floor:	
A member of the community asked if the hydrant testing in Fairview and other neighboring departments are also having issues. A Union leader from the Fairview Fire Dept. confirmed that they are also having the same issues.	
The community would like it if the Town/ECC could inform residents of upcoming hydrant flushing dates.	
Chief and A/C of the Volunteers are planning to meet and discuss a plan to restore interior fire operations and required training for the Volunteers, which was stated by Commissioner Russo that this was delayed for 6 years. It was requested that this be done with a Jan 1, 2027 completion date. Commissioner Groden stated that he did not want to put a hard deadline in effect, but the Board is supportive of this effort. Commissioner Groden also suggested a minimum attendance at alarms as the turnout numbers at alarms are low.	
Questions: None.	
9:25 PM – Motion to close Public Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.	
Motion:	Rappe
Second:	Russo
Voting in favor: Groden, Orce, Rappe, Russo	
10:06 PM – Motion to re-open Public Session to discuss public matters.	
Motion:	Orce
Second:	Groden
Voting in favor: Groden, Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Resolution	2026 – 7.12
Approve Volunteer application for Justin Vanoli permitting a clear arson, background check and medical clearance.	
Motion:	Orce
Second:	Rappe
Voting in favor: Orce, Rappe, Russo	
Voting against: Groden	
10:07 PM – Commissioner Orce left the meeting.	
10:13 PM – Meeting adjourned.	
Motion:	Russo
Second:	Groden
Voting in favor: Groden, Rappe, Russo	