

SPRING BROOK FIRE DISTRICT 1
Minutes of Meeting 6/1/2026

Tom

Meeting called to order by Chairman Paul Mamon with pledge to the flag at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Mamon, Joe Gnojek, Szwaczkowski, Jay Gnojek and Meaney present. Sec. Carol Szwaczkowski and Treas. Melinda Collins present. Attorney Paul Notaro present. Chief Tyler Tedesco, 9-1 Michael Fitzgerald and 9-2 Santo Tedesco present. President Andy Barlow present. Deputy Treasurer Bethge present.

Public Comments: Spring Brook firefighter Paul Boland requested more information on LOSAP. Commissioner Jay Gnojek will get information together for him as soon as possible.
m/m Meaney 2nd Szwaczkowski To close public comments section of meeting. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Jay Gnojek To go out of regular order of business at 7:04 p.m. to hear presentation from Al Hassan for building renovation site plans at 2161 Transit Road, Elma, N.Y. 5 ayes

m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Szwaczkowski To return to regular order of business at 7:08 p.m. 5 ayes.

The Chairman noted that the Secretary had provided a copy of the Minutes of the previous meeting to Commissioners have had the opportunity to review same. The Chairman then asked if there were any additions, deletions, corrections or modifications to the Minutes of the previous meeting. Motion by Commissioner Szwaczkowski seconded by Commissioner Joe Gnojek To accept the Minutes of the previous meeting. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To accept minutes of Executive Summary of work session held on May 15, 2026 as provided by Commissioner Meaney. 5 ayes.

Treasurer's Report read by Treasurer Melinda Collins showing total cash funds of \$386,703.00. m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Szwaczkowski To accept the Treasurer's Report as read. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To authorize payment of the bills as they have been duly audited and approved for payment by Commissioners Joe Gnojek and Szwaczkowski. 5 ayes.

Communications: Thank you letter from Ed Sauer, President of Elma Cert Inc. for use of district hall in Spring 2026 and request to use district hall for Fall 2026 Cert training on September 1, 15, 22, 29 and October 6th through 27, 2026; Medical release from MD dated 4/2/2026 for Charles Bethge; Medical note, dated 5/12/2026, from MD stating Michael Samol is currently under his care; Elma Zoning Board of Appeals legal notice of hearing for 31 Pleasantview Drive, East Aurora, NY and 6177 Seneca Street, Elma, N.Y.; NYSIF policy renewal notices for policy Z2196664-3 and policy Z2417-265-2; Notice from Ford stating free Over-The-air (OTA) software has been successfully updated; Copy of letter Attorney Paul Notaro sent to Allied CPA's, PC regarding December 31, 2025 audit; Annual privacy policy from The Hartford insurance; April-May 2026 AFDSNY newsletter (each commissioner and attorney received a copy); May and June 2026 NYS Local Government Newsletters; May 2026 FASNY newsletter; Advertisement from R enterprises, LLC. m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Szwaczkowski To accept and file communications as read. 5 ayes.

Chief's Report: Activities, appointments, reports and requests listed. m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To accept chief's report. 5 ayes.

Committee Reports: Apparatus-Commissioner Joe Gnojek stated he is trying to get WEX to approve transfer of authorized personnel from Charles Bethge to himself and Commissioner Meaney-once authorization is complete he should be able to get gas card for 5-1; Haas Alert System for #1 has been replaced by Commissioners Mamon and Meaney; Commissioner Mamon working on getting screen on 5-1 repaired. Audit-All bills have been audited by Commissioners Szwaczkowski and Joe Gnojek. Building and Grounds-Commissioner Joe Gnojek got 3 bids from Kinetic Electric for Drop lines @ \$3800.00, recess lighting under eaves @ \$1677.52 and larger lights on truck bay doors @ \$576.00; Commissioner Mamon reported water faucet in front of building is leaking; Commissioner Mamon replaced NYS flag. Equipment-Commissioner Meaney updated Board on grant opportunities; Commissioner Gnojek is waiting on an update for stove delivery; Digital phone system up and running; Commissioner Mamon reported 2 trash pumps used is water main break are back in service-1 is still out and sprayer doesn't work. Legal-Class action lawsuits are currently being filed for high price of firetrucks; Sent letter to Allied PCA's regarding December 31, 2025 audit; Advised Board not to sign Erie County EMS ALS Joint Response Agreement; NYS has increased state tax deduction for

volunteer firefighters from \$200 to \$800-will investigate to see if town tax relief and NYS tax relief can be taken together or if volunteer has to choose one or the other. Records Management-Commissioner Joe Gnojek stated new medical records have been added to members files. Safety and Training-Physicals completed-few members did not participate in physicals. m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Jay Gnojek To send letters to members who did not get physicals stating they are on inactive status until physical is completed. 5 ayes. Service Award Program-Commissioner Jay Gnojek updated Board on LOSAP and problem he is having getting information from provider- m/m Joe 2nd Jay Gnojek To authorize attorney to send a certified letter to LOSAP provider requesting necessary information. 5 ayes. West Seneca Associated Board of Fire Commissioners-Next meeting June 23, 2026 at Reserve. West Seneca Chiefs-Next meeting June 23, 2026 at Reserve. East Aurora Chiefs-Next meeting September 16, 2026 at Blossom. President's Report-Annual garage sale was very successful; Rich Dzubella working on generator; Attended Memorial Day parades in Elma and Marilla; Jay Gnojek working on recreational activities for company. m/m Meaney 2nd Jay Gnojek To accept committee reports. 5 ayes.

Old Business: Discussed putting additional money into NYClass. m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Szwaczkowski To contact Key Bank to get minimum threshold for separate accounts and contact Jim Toner for advice on how to set up mirrored accounts with NYClass. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To accept bid for driveway sealing/stripping from Kelly Pavement not to exceed \$5700.00. 5 ayes.

m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Meaney To authorize Commissioner Jay Gnojek to get quote for repair/install cameras in day room and rear garage door. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To adopt use of absentee ballots for 2026 commissioner election. 2 ayes. On the question: Attorney Noatro brought up several potential issues with absentee ballots. Chairman Mamon asked Commissioner Meaney to investigate how many districts in area use absentee ballots and, if so, percentage of ballot returns. m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To table motion until next meeting. 5 ayes

New Business: m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Meaney To authorize secretary to send letter to Town of Elma Planning Board, with a copy to Al Hassan, stating commissioners and chiefs have no issues with site plans for renovations at 2161 Transit Road in Elma. 5 ayes.

Discussed if mileage reimbursement for any commissioner who is out of town and returns to attend a board meeting is permissible-Attorney Notaro stated mileage is not reimbursable for that particular scenario. Also, discussed possible virtual attendance.

m/m Szwaczkowski 2nd Joe Gnojek To change Monday, November 2, 2026 Board Meeting to Monday, November 9, 2026 at district hall 7:00 p.m. and authorize secretary to put legal notice in East Aurora Advertiser. 5 ayes.

m/m Szwaczkowski 2nd Joe Gnojek To authorize CERT, Inc. to use district hall on September 1, 15, 22, 29 and October 6 through 27, 2026 from approximately 6:30 p.m. until approximately 9:30 p.m. 5 ayes.

m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Meaney To purchase 3 ea. Streamlight flashlights at a cost not to exceed \$300.00. 5 ayes.

m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Meaney To authorize Kinetic Electric to install 3 drop lines at a cost not to exceed \$3800.00. 5 ayes.

m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Meaney To authorize Kinetic Electric to install 13 LED recessed commercial lights not to exceed \$1700.00. 5 ayes.

m/m Joe Gnojek 2nd Meaney To authorize Kinetic Electric to install 7 LED photocell controls at a cost not to exceed \$600.00. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To authorize chiefs to use #3 in Marilla's Memorial Day parade. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To have #5's power steering repaired at Tony's Roadside service.
5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To authorize chiefs to use appropriate vehicles for summer community functions. 5 ayes.

m/m Jay Gnojek 2nd Joe Gnojek To follow procedure as stated in SOP's-when apparatus needs repair, notify chief and then it will be placed on board. 5 ayes.

m/m Meaney 2nd Mamon To purchase TP-Link 5 Port Gigabit POE switches not to exceed \$50.00.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To authorize Commissioner Jay Gnojek to have administrative access to the network. 5 ayes.

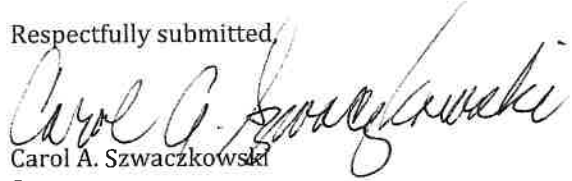
m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek That any Board member, including commissioners, chiefs, secretary, treasurer and deputy treasurer who attend a conference, must submit a written report detailing classes attended, knowledge gained and potential implications for the fire district at the following monthly meeting. Failure to provide this report will disqualify the member from receiving financial reimbursement for the costs associated with the conference and will disqualify the member from attending any future conferences for a period of one year. 3 ayes 2 nays (Commissioners Jay Gnojek and Szwaczkowski).

Chairman Mamon raised a concern about use of 5-1. Chief Tyler Tedesco addressed his concern satisfactorily.

m/m Meaney 2nd Joe Gnojek To adjourn meeting. 5 ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol A. Szwaczkowski
Secretary