

Enfield Fire District No. 1
Regular Commission Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Vincent Grady.

Attendees for the Board:

Paul Meunier	Maureen Brennan
Paul Benis	Patrick Droney
Vincent Grady	Gary Castle
Sean McGuire	William Moran

Chief Edward Richards and Deputy Chief William Higgins were also present.

1st Public Comment: None.

The minutes from the June 12, 2025 regular Commission Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Vice President Patrick Droney and second by Paul Muenier to accept the minutes as presented and the motion passes with one abstention by Gary Castle.

Motion by Patrick Droney and second by Maureen Brennan to table the Treasurer's reports to allow ample time for review. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Fire Marshal's Reports for June and July were reviewed and discussed. Motion by Vice President Droney and second by Paul Benis to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Training Officer's reports for June, July and August were reviewed and discussed. Deputy Chief Higgins advised that the new apparatus has an alert system that lets drivers know when emergency apparatus is nearby. To foster Cadet engagement, entry-level training was held over the summer. EVOC Training will be attended due to minor accident with an apparatus. Motion by Paul Meunier and second by William Moran to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Chief's Reports for June and July were reviewed and discussed. Chief advised that the I-91 calls have decreased. Motion by Maureen Brennan and second by William Moran to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Board Member Comments:

Sean McGuire said welcome back to all.

Paul Muenier advised that he had attended the August 25, 2025 training involving Smyth school bus and said it was excellent. The District collaborated with other departments on this as well.

President Grady attended the recent Cadet graduation and said it was great to see the acknowledgement and for it to be shared with family and others. He also welcomed people back.

Old Business:

President Grady shared information on investing available funds in a Treasury or CD in order to earn interest. Motion by Gary Castle and second by Vice President Droney to allow up to \$2 million dollars of the District money to be moved to a short-term interest accruing account. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

New Business:

Motion to allow for the replacement of the roof at Station Two made by Vice President Droney and second by Paul Benis. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by William Moran and second by Paul Benis to allow for the replacement/repairs of the sprinkler system at Station Two. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Deputy Chief Higgins advised that we have received an offer of \$2,500 for the old Driver Simulator trailer. Motion by Vice President Patrick Droney to accept the \$2,500 offer for the Driver Simulator Trailer due to high cost to repair and age with a second by Maureen Brennan. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

There is a discussion on the status of the Maintenance vehicle. Motion by Paul Muenier and second by Paul Benis to sell the 2006 Maintenance Vehicle. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Committee Reports:

Apparatus: Deputy Chief Higgins presented the proposed new Engine 14. Several advanced safety features were reviewed. The price w/specs noted, is approximately \$1.2 million dollars.

Motion to add an agenda item to set a district meeting date to vote on the apparatus by Paul Meunier and second by William Moran. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

2nd Public Comment:

Debbie Chapin of Old King St. requested that the apparatus information be posted on the District website.

Apparatus Agenda Item:

Motion by Vice President Patrick Droney to call a special district meeting on September 18, 2025 to vote on the new apparatus for in person voting from 12pm-8pm with a special meeting at 8pm to receive the results and second by Gary Castle. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to go into executive session at 7:31pm by Vice President Patrick Droney and second by William Moran. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Out of executive session at pm 8:20pm with no votes taken.

Motion to adjourn at 8:20pm by Paul Benis and second by Vice President Patrick Droney. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Brennan

Clerk/Treasurer