ERIE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD – MEETING MINUTES									
MEETING DATE:	May 29, 202	5							
LOCATION:	Erie County Training and Operations Center								
CALL TO ORDER:	18:31								
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:									
	PRESENT:	Douglas Lahnen, Thomas Morris, Dan Nash, Robert Rackl, Chris Couell, Jonathon Torre, Joleen Schlossin							
ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:	ABSENT:	Andrew Beehler, Roger Brennan, Jack Chiappone Jr., Matthew Coons, Shad Garner, Paul Gorczyca, Michael Griffin, Kevin Jewett, Scott Kuhlmey, Thomas Partridge, Scott Plecha, William Renaldo, Donald Roth, Garrett Wynn, Robert Zacher,							
	EXCUSED:	Eric Karcher, F	Peter Spilsbury Jr., Michael Zekas						
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:	-								
GUESTS.	DATE OF L	ST MEETING:	2/27/25						
APPROVAL OF LAST	DATE OF LAST MEETING: MOTION BY:		3/27/25						
MEETING:	SECOND BY:		Doug Lahnen Dan Nash						
WEETING.	APPROVED								
			Approved by all						
REPORT OF OFFICERS:									
CHAIRMAN:	No Report	4 4 4 5							
CO-CHAIR:	Suggested that we look at the attendance over the past year. There are many members that have not attended very many meetings, some not any. Motion to send a letter of intent to those members who have not attended many meetings and have not responded to the emails by James Guy, seconded by Thomas Morris. Approved by all. This way we can fill the board with members who will attend the meetings. Some discussions on ways to improve attendance include Webex option and abolishing workshops. Motion made to abolish workshops by Ron Endle, seconded by James Gajewski. Approved by all.								
SECRETARY:	No Report	Ttori Erialo, 5000	rided by duffies Gajeword. Approved by all.						
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TREAGUNER.			ERGENCY SERVICES:						
COMMISSIONER:	No Report	CLI OICI OI LIN	ERGENOT SERVICES.						
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER:	-Still working on the drager building. There is a plan though and things are moving forwardSome new classes on the training schedule – NYS Propane Association will be doing some classes at the academy, ops and tech level (July 10, 11, 12). There are plenty of spots availableThere are two FF1 summer bootcamps this year and a joint orientation for both classes was held on 5/19. They will also do their skills weekend together in June. Bootcamp 1 runs 7/7-7/18 and Bootcamp 2 runs 7/28-8/8.								
DEPUTY FIRE	No Report								
COORDINATOR:									
ASSISTANT FIRE COORDINATOR:	and they were here and went hopeful that we prop of its kind -Discovered a Some of it goe been out to loo There is also a came out to loo fixing and we were -KenTon BOC that students were	ngineering firm came out to look at the old concrete tower. The basement was pumped out d they were able to walk through the whole facility. The team spent almost an entire day re and went through the building very thoroughly and the structural engineer was very peful that we could salvage the building. Price tag unknown. The tower is the only training op of its kind in the state, so hopefully that is helpful in getting it repaired. is is incovered a drainage problem on the campus by mistake. The water doesn't go anywhere, one of it goes into the drafting pond, some of it we don't know where it goes. Highways has sen out to look at it and is looking at the building plans for the campus to try and figure it out, ere is also an electrical problem in one of the buildings and there was an electrician that me out to look at that as well. The general consensus is that nothing is out of reach for ing and we will continue to work through it. The general consensus is that nothing is out of reach for ing and we will continue to work through it. The program has to be proved by OFPC and we are assisting with certain skills.							
REPORT OF COMMITTEES:									
CANCER SCREENING:	No F	Report							
DRILL TOWER:		No Report							
FIRE PREVENTION:		Report							
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LINE OF DUTY DEATH:	Ron – information submitted to Fire Safety will be available on the website soon. Some info will be available by request only. The committee will still be the lead contact to guide those requesting assistance.				
BUDGET PLANNING & WALL OF HONOR:	Jim Guy – one application possible coming. Any letters are due by 6/30 for review. The index is missing from the book; can we please try and locate? Some discussion regarding the book and digitalizing it, as it's getting quite full and will probably not hold many more letters. Jennifer Andres will assist with this endeavor. She is also working on a promotional video for the Wall of Honor.				
	REPORT OF BOARDS:				
ERIE COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS MUTUAL AID ORG.:	Doug – just had the final meeting until summer break is over, it was not very well attended. Next meeting is the 3 rd Monday in September at Brighton. They've had some pretty good speakers, including Ron who put on a good presentation about the fireboat.				
ERIE COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:	Tom – the next meeting will be on July 20 th at 1:00 pm in Colden. They just had their first meat raffle, which was not as successful as they'd hoped. They met with the fair today to discuss placement of items. Ron and the Cotter will be back, as well as FBNY will have a table. The maze has become quite the attraction at the fair and will be rotated to allow for more control over the entrance. The Erie County Fire Safety training trailers will be moved to the front of the building for more exposure (past years, they were in back). They are hoping to get a newer fire truck there for people to look at and take pictures of. Working on a QR code for people interested in more information about the fire service. There will be a 911 display and CPR demonstration. Looking for fire department volunteers to help staff the stations for the duration of the fair.				
ERIE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT OFFICERS ASSOCIATION:	Dan – the next meeting is in June. The last meeting was well attended because they had a representative from NY Class, which is an investment firm for non-profits.				
ERIE COUNTY FIRE POLICE ASSOCIATION:	No Report				
DISASTER ADVISORY BOARD:	No Report				
EMS ADVISORY BOARD:	No Report				
BUFFALO FIRE DEPT:	No Report				
LACKAWANNA FIRE DEPT:	No Report				
ERIE COUNTY HAZMAT:	James Gajewski – went from about 10 calls a year to about 65. We had an improvement in response and requests for our response. A lot of the calls are informational. Chris - We can expect increased calls as there are more electric vehicles on the road. Erie County Fire Safety will be working with Hazmat to get out information to Law Enforcement, as they are typically the first on location for a vehicle fire.				
OLD BUSINESS:	-				
NEW BUSINESS:	-				
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ORGANIZATION:	·				
NEXT MEETING DATE:	7/31/25, summer picnic @ South Line. Guests welcome. Joleen will send out an invite about a week or so ahead of time for head count and meat preference.				
NEXT WORKSHOP DATE:	No further workshops				
ADJOURNMENT:	19:37, Motion by Thomas Morris, seconded by Jennifer Andres				
MINUTES RECORDED BY:	J. Schlossin				
MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:	J. Schlossin				
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	MEETING:	□ REGULAR □ SPECIAL	DATE:	5/29/2025		LOCATIO	N: FTA	
	Name	Board Appointments	# of Terms	Expiration Date	Phone #	Email	Signature (ABSENT EXCUS
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2	Beehler, Andrew	- +	2nd	12/31/2025	716-954-9712	andrewbeehler@gmail.com	00	
3	Brennan, Roger		2nd	12/31/2026	716-525-6617	firesafetyguy72@gmail.com		
4	Chiappone Jr., Jack	,	2nd	12/31/2026	716-628-5458	jchiappone813@gmail.com		
5 1 6	Coons, Matthew Endle, Ronald		1st 2nd	12/31/2026 12/31/2025	716-462-7978 716-479-4186	mdcoons9@gmail.com ronfirellc@aol.com	0 5-8-1	
7	Gajewski, James		4th	12/31/2025	716-864-6748	commjim10@yahoo.com	Michaelli	
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	Garner, Shad					seabass126@yahoo.com		
9	Gorczyca, Paul	*	3rd	12/31/2025	716-866-1634	gork315@gmail.com		
10	Griffin, Michael		4th	12/31/2026	716-714-9772	opie652@gmail.com	0 2	
Y11	Guy, James		2nd	12/31/2025	716-544-0327	jhguy@verizon.net	1800	
12	Herzog, Kevin	Co-Chair	4th	12/31/2026	716-725-2984	kherzog@twindistrict.com	127	
13	Jewett, Kevin		2nd	12/31/2025	716-512-9054	kevin.jewett@erie.gov		X
14	Karcher, Eric		4th	12/31/2026	716-697-1395	ek7166971395@aol.com	1	
15	Kuhlmey, Scott		4th	12/31/2025	716-861-7933	scott.kuhlmey@erie.gov	11/1/1	
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17	Morris, Thomas		1st	12/31/2026	716-491-1979	eastaurorafire@gmail.com	TOXETTA O	
18	Nash, Dan		1st	12/31/2025	716-870-9056	nashd2237@gmail.com	MOGIN POPIN	
19	Partridge, Thomas		2nd	12/31/2025	716-480-9871	sfibirdie1501@verizon.net		
20	Plecha, Scott		3rd	12/31/2025	716-909-4206	s.plecha@yahoo.com	In he som	•
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22	Renaldo, William		2nd	12/31/2026	716-860-4093	wren713972@aol.com		*
23	Roth, Donald	-	2nd	12/31/2026	716-523-2307	donroth9@gmail.com		-
24	Spilsbury, Jr., Peter	-	4th	12/31/2025	716-583-0183	pspilsbury@wsfd5.com		×
25	Wynn, Garrett		3rd	12/31/2025	716-570-2209	gwynn@ucrestfire.org		
26	Zacher, Robert		2nd	12/31/2025	716-863-1388	rjzacher@roadrunner.com		
27	Zekas, Michael		2nd	12/31/2025	716-984-3606	michael.zekas@erie.gov		×
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