



NEW CASTLE FIRE DISTRICT No.1

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A Special Project Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New Castle Fire District No. 1 was held at 491 King Street, Chappaqua, New York on the 12th of May, 2025 commencing at 6:00pm.

Present

Dwight Smith, Chairman
Edwin Frank, Commissioner
Charles Rauch, Commissioner
Michael Soldo, Commissioner
Nancy Zezze, Commissioner

Also Present

Christine Dennett, Secretary via zoom

Absent

Katy White, Treasurer

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Soldo led the *Pledge of Allegiance* and the Board held a moment of silence for all the deceased members.

Surplus Vehicle

Upon motion by Commissioner Soldo, seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board vote unanimously to approve the following resolution with a vote of 5-0:

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Board of Fire Commissioners of New Castle Fire District No. 1 hereby approves the sale of a surplus vehicle, a 2025 Chevrolet Tahoe, VIN 1GNSK3EC6FR568837, in the amount of \$22,500.

This resolution is subject to a permissive referendum.

Upon a roll call vote at a duly noticed meeting of the Board, the adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Commissioner Smith	Aye
Commissioner Frank	Aye
Commissioner Rauch	Aye
Commissioner Soldo	Aye
Commissioner Zezze	Aye

Backflow Discussion

Joe Modafferi explained the process.

The Board discussed whether it was part of the budget and it was determined the construction and installation were budgeted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Soldo, seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution with a vote of 5-0:

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Castle Fire District No. 1 Board of Fire Commissioners with offices at 491 King Street, Chappaqua, New York 10514, hereby authorizes Dwight Smith, Chairman,

To execute and deliver to the Westchester County Department of Health for an on behalf of the New Castle Fire District, No. 1 an application for approval of Backflow Prevention Devices.

To execute and deliver any and all documents which may be appropriate or desirable in connection therewith.

OACM Update

Upon motion by Commissioner Frank, seconded by Commissioner Soldo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the lighter brick choice for the Modernization Project with a vote of 5-0.

Redi Gjecka of Triton Construction gave an update of the project.

- The excavating contractor is changing.
- A delay order request was received from Southeast due to the revised schedule.
- A meeting will be held with the Town's Fire Marshal regarding a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) for the project while the sprinklers in the existing building were sorted out.
- The process for Sprinkling the existing building needed to be determined.
- Certificates of Insurance are being tracked to ensure they are current.
- Site lighting info was distributed. A pre-application meeting will be held on May 22nd. A timeline of the process was provided.
- Change Orders

- Talt in the amount of \$46,971 were distributed. \$35,000 could be paid from the allowance leaving a balance of \$14,042.51. It will be discussed after review at the next regular meeting.
- Southeast Mechanical in the amount of \$25,855 of which \$7,000 is the site survey. Questions have been raised to the contractor and it will be tabled until answered.
- Master Budget provided. Most recent payment applications are not listed.
- Master Schedule shows Phase 1 completion on December 5, 2025.
- The Contractor's responsiveness was discussed.

The Board adjourned into an Executive Session to conduct an interview at 7:07pm.

The Board reconvened the Special Meeting at 7:15pm.

Upon motion by Commissioner Zezze, seconded by Commissioner Rauch, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Greg Bologna as the District's Treasurer effective June 1, 2025 with a vote of 5-0.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Commissioner Zezze, seconded by Commissioner Rauch, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the special meeting at 7:21 pm with a vote of 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Dennett
Fire District Secretary