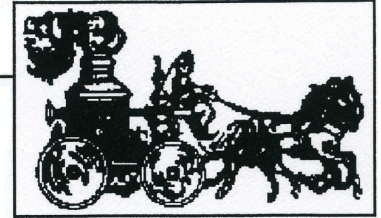


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MINUTES - FIRE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING - MARCH 12, 2026

Call to order at 7:00 pm by Vice-Chairperson Bill Gorman.

The minutes were e-mailed out to all members. Motion by Dean Horton, second by Nate Griswold to accept the minutes of the December 11, 2025, meeting. Carried.

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT: Fire Coordinator Jeff Buckler reported:

- Chiefs' Orientation Training- This training went very well with nearly 30 students attending.
- Tech Rescue Team - As a result of this training, we have gained 4 new members who are focusing on enhancing our rope rescue training and capabilities.
- High School Recruitment - Per a recommendation at the last chiefs' meeting, we decided to reach out to all of the schools in Broome County to try a recruitment day at the High Schools on Friday, April 17. So far only 3 schools have committed to participating: Chenango Valley, Harpursville, and Windsor. We plan on sending another e-mail to Department Chiefs encouraging them to reach out to their respective school districts.
- Harpursville High School BEFO- NYSED in collaboration with Harpursville school, have decided to run a BEFO course during school hours starting in January of 2027. We are still in the planning stages but the intention is to run BEFO during the school year with a follow up IFO bootcamp in the summer. More to follow.
- NERIS: We recently received an update from State Fire and only 50% of the departments in Broome are confirmed and using the system.

BYLAWS: A bylaw change was sent out, we will vote on this next meeting in May. Bylaws must be changed to reflect the changing number of board members in the Chiefs' Association.

PREVENTION/EDUCATION: Rob had picked up the generator which was approved to be paid for by a County grant. Thanks to our legislators for helping with this. The trailer will go back into service in May or June. First event is the Farrelly Run on June 7.

LEGISLATURE: No report.

HAZ MAT: No report.

LINK FIELD: No report.

RECRUITMENT DAY: We need to find out who is participating so we can put out a list.

BROOME COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOC: Next meeting is April 2 at Endwell. They will be voting on the new guidelines for rehab.

BROOME COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOC: Met March 6 at Endwell and had a presentation on Autism Awareness. Next meeting is May 1 at Chenango Forks.

NYS AFC: No report.

SOUTH CENTRAL FIRE POLICE: They are meeting tonight at West Corners.

OLD BUSINESS: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of officers for 2026:

CHAIRPERSON: Rob Brady nominated Tom Giblin. Motion by Rob Brady, second by Wayne Sherwood to close the polls and the Secretary cast one ballot for Tom Giblin for Chairperson. Carried.

VICE CHAIR: Rob Brady nominated Bill Gorman. Motion by Dean Horton, second by Rob Brady to close the polls and the Secretary cast one ballot for Bill Gorman for Vice-Chair. Carried.

SECRETARY: John Paffie nominated Alice Fiacco. Motion by Dean Horton, second by Wayne Sherwood to close the polls and for the Vice Chair to cast one ballot for Alice Fiacco for Secretary. Carried.

2026 Meetings: May 14, September 10, December 10.

Motion by Wayne Sherwood, second by Gil Senger to adjourn at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

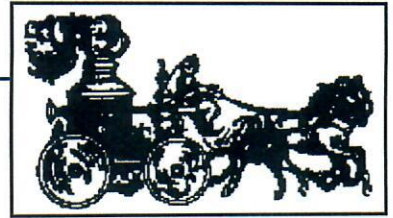
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Meeting Sign-in Sheet

Date: 3/12/26

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| 1. <u>BILL GOEMAN</u> <u>BCFCA</u> | 11. <u>Dean Horton</u> |
| 2. <u>WYVINE</u> <u>SHERWOOD</u> | 12. <u>Nick Gonsword</u> |
| 3. <u>Jax Gonsword</u> | 13. <u>Scott Baber</u> |
| 4. <u>John Paffe</u> | 14. <u>Chuck Paffe</u> |
| 5. <u>[Signature]</u> <u>OES</u> | 15. _____ |
| 6. <u>JEFF BOEKER</u> <u>OES</u> | 16. _____ |
| 7. <u>GIL SANGER</u> <u>BCFFA</u> | 17. _____ |
| 8. <u>Robert Brady</u> <u>BCFFA</u> | 18. _____ |
| 9. <u>Alice Feacco</u> <u>BCFA</u> | 19. _____ |
| 10. <u>Mike Reddy</u> <u>BCFFA</u> | 20. _____ |