

**THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 12, 2026  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Phil Weber, Commissioners Terry Koch, Paul Latuso, and William Koran, Chief Tom Smalling, Sr. Firehouse Attendant John McKenna, Fire Marshals Ryan Kleinkopf and Steven Rostern.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Jim Clark, 1<sup>st</sup> Asst, Chief Dan Cross and 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief William Sherer.

**Meeting Called To Order At 6:00 PM.**

**Minutes From The January 13, 2026 Meeting Approved.**

**Fire Warrant Approved In The Amount Of \$21,077.24.**

**Chief Smalling:**

Annual Meeting is April 7, 2026.

Annual Dinner is April 25, 2026 at the Huntington Crescent Club.

Tom suggested the Fire Marshals reach out to the new officers in April and meet with them to discuss daily operations.

Mayor Letica from Asharoken was looking for the location of the fire hydrants in his village.

**Commissioner Koran:**

Request approval to purchase new Scottpaks. Twenty will be ordered in March-**Approved.**

Discussed medics coverage on the weekends. Bill will reach out to Roland Buzard, Village Administrator to discuss coverage.

Bill checked with John McKenna on progress moving a cabinet, sending him weekly maintenance reports on the vehicles and repair of the 2-9-8 vehicle.

**Fire Marshals:**

- Discussed the change in the Suffolk PD Arson Squad Policy. They will only be responding for reasonably suspected cases of arson unless specifically requested by the OIC.
- Updating the village commercial business hazardous materials inventory. When all inspections are complete, they will provide a report to the chiefs and commissioners.
- Reminded the chiefs and commissioners that the fire marshals must be notified of any fire or explosion involving a structure (residential or commercial) within the village as per village code.
- Fire Marshal Ryan Kleinkopf found out after responding to a fire at 150 Asharoken Avenue from Mayor Letica there is no shared agreement with Asharoken Village.

**John McKenna:**

Board of Fire Commissioners have **APPROVED** purchase of the new 2-9-20 boat/motor/trailer for \$55,798.19. John has completed the purchase requisitions and forwarded to Roland Buzard for resolution before the Board of Trustees.

- Total Alarms for month of January 2026 = 94
- Thirteen work orders submitted in January. Eleven completed and two are pending parts/service.
- Chairman Phil Weber will sign the annual pump testing and hose testing contracts as required by NFPA this evening.
- Column out front hit by Highway truck. Repair cost is \$707.45 which will be absorbed by highway and they will make the repair.
- Ice has accumulated 4 to 5 inches in some areas at Station 1. It has been difficult keeping up with ice. The Highway Department has assisted in breaking up the ice.
- Commissioner /Capt. Koran has requested modifications to the SCBA RFP. He has a copy of the revised quote for approval tonight.
- Robert Bambino of Comtech2Way Communications sent a letter stating the State Contract for the new Zetron dispatch equipment had pricing and description errors. After the State makes corrections, he will send us an accurate price quote.
- As discussed in November 2025, the telephone system at headquarters is 20 years old and no longer serviceable with any OEM parts/equipment. John received three price quotes.  
Request approval to proceed with vendor, P.M. Communications Corp. This company installed the system at the Huntington Fire Department and is highly recommended. Lowest bid was \$14,495.00-**APPROVED**.
- Commissioners would like John to provide an estimate to repair the 2915 ambulance that was damaged. John contacted Joe at Kessel Collision, a shop that has done body work for us in the past to provide a quote.

**Meeting Adjourned At 7:00 PM.**

**Next Meeting Scheduled For Tuesday, March 10, 2026 At 6:00 PM.**