

The special yearend meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Belgium Cold Springs Fire District was called to order at 9AM on December 29, 2025, by Chairperson, C. LaPrease.

Present: K. Thompson, M. Chura, M. Harrison, C. LaPrease, M. Malone, W. Dwyer, A. Speach, M. Speach, D. Natoli, B. Raymond-LaPrease

W. Dwyer reviewed yearend treasurer's report and vouchers. The yearend worksheet was reviewed. Discussion regarding the balance of the 2025 Budget, budget to reserve and fund balance. Recommendations made by K. Thompson and W. Dwyer discussed.

K. Thompson made the motion to transfer the 2025 budget to reserve as follows: \$150,000 to the Retirement Contribution reserve and the balance into Apparatus reserve and M. Malone seconded the motion. Carried.

K. Thompson made the motion to transfer the balance of the 2025 Budget as follows: \$200,000 to the Capital Improvement Reserve Fund, and the balance to the fund balance and M. Malone seconded the motion. Carried.

W. Dwyer proposed transferring \$80,000 to payroll and \$50,000 to checking of the remaining 2025 Budget funds until the 2026 Funds are received and the funds will be transferred as indicated above. M. Malone made the motion to transfer the funds to payroll and checking as indicated and M. Harrison seconded the motion. Carried.

C. LaPrease made the motion to approve the vouchers as audited, and M. Malone seconded the motion. Carried.

#### Old Business:

M. Chura asked for status of TOAC and stated that skills demonstration is not enough.

#### New Business:

K. Thompson informed the board that the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Onondaga County Fire and Emergency Education Conversation is Saturday, January 31, 2026. Breakfast 7:45-8:45am Program 9-11:30am. The topic is : The Legislative Process and how to leverage it to advance the Volunteer Fire Service. There is an initiative for legislation to allow for stipends. There is also a push to give counties the authority to buy equipment and staff as needed, but it would not be required.

Executive Session: M. Chura made the motion to enter executive session to review the employment history of an individual that may lead to his/her continued employment and M. Malone seconded the motion. Carried. 9:40AM

Returned to open session at 10:54  
AM

Meeting dates:

Year-end meeting Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup> at 9am at the District Office.

Organizational Meeting January 5, 2026 at 7pm

Commissioner's meeting Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm

Commissioner's meeting Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm.

(All meetings at station #1 until further notice)

K. Thompson made the motion to adjourn at 10:55am and M. Harrison seconded the motion. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Speach  
Secretary