SOUTH ONONDAGA FIRE DEPARTMENT
Business Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2026

Vice President Dave Fisher brought the meeting to order at 1900. There was a quorum present at the start of the meeting and throughout. There were no objections to the notice of this meeting. The **Pledge of allegiance** was followed by a **Silent prayer.**

September 14, 2026 Business meeting minutes were previously distributed to membership. ***Upon motion made by Jason Baleno, second by Ed Feola, discussion held and vote taken, the following resolution was approved: To approve the last monthly business meeting minutes as written.***
October 6, 2026 Executive Committee meeting minutes were previously distributed to membership. ***Upon motion made by Pat Abbott, second by Denny Abbott, discussion held and vote taken, the following resolution was approved: To approve the last executive meeting minutes, with the following addition to Pat Abbotts report. Pat questioned if department wanted to place an obit for Ken Case. Discussion followed not wanting to offend family. Tim will look into it.***

Reports of fires and alarms: 205 calls for the year, 34 for the month.
Pat Abbott commented on the silage truck that blew a tire on Amber Rd.

Delinquent members: Read by Linda Grindrod:
Meetings: John Casolare, Charlie Doupe, Mark Fenner, Todd Gardner, Steve Hall, JJ Ingraham, Shane Moore.

Drills: John Casolare, Brayden Coutri, Charlie Doupe, Todd Gardner, Steve Hall, JJ Ingraham Cooper Luchsinger, Shane Moore.

Ben Nett- Military, Dave Oierce Jr. at school.
Roll call: **23** members present. **23** eligible to vote.
REPORTS OF OFFICERS
Chief Erik Nelson (Erik): Not in attendance. Jason Baleno reported

- Need a crew for OCS football Friday.
- Ken Case's service here on the 18th. Full dress uniform.

1st Asst. Chief Pat Abbott (Pat):

- Jerry Payne- Western section discussed EM's drones.
- Check out OCEM newsletter.
- Plymovent- Called back they will look at it when they get a chance.

2nd Asst. Chief Jason Baleno:

- No report.

Capt. Jason Cox: Drills:

- 10/19 small fires,10/26 Decon.,11/02 large occupancy,11/16 DHS Civilian preparedness, 11/23 Physicals, 11/30 National Grid electric.
- Thanked Ed Feola for OCS standby the other day.
- Mitson owes us 3 trainings. Questioned make ups?
- Try to get the SHERP here for a training.
- Dan Wears has left EM.
- S. Section Bill Bardon award- any nominees?
- Joe Neimier Tully has waiver for smoke detector installations.
- John Barrett is new FASNY rep.
- Mercy Flight is no longer in Onon. Co. New Air -1is almost ready.
- 9/24 Sheriffs have a new app.
- Working on a dry hydrant map.

Lieutenant Todd Cotterill: No report.
Lieutenant David Toomey: No report. Not in attendance.
Safety Officer Dave Fisher: No report.
Fire Police Captain Tom Jones: No report.
EMS Administrator Susan Abbott:

- Melissa Abend is no longer with EM.

President Tim Nelson (Tim): Not in attendance. No report.
VP Dave Fisher:

- Thanks to everyone who worked on ceiling tiles. The small conference room is done.

Secretary Sue Fisher:

- Thanks to Mary Lou for dinner.
- Next Business meeting is Nov.9th 2026 @1900. Dinner at 18:30.

Assistant Secretary Linda Grindrod (Linda): No report
Treasurer Bob Grindrod (Bob): Read report of account balances to membership and distributed report of bills. Membership was provided the opportunity to review and question. ***Upon motion made by Michele Cotterill, second by Pat Abbott, discussion held and vote taken, the following resolution was approved: To approve the treasurer's report as read.***
Investment account estimate balances as of Sept 30th.
Bld. $101,260, Gen. 210,631, Truck 319,124.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
Audit & Finance: Meeting this Saturday at 2pm.
Banquet: Meeting Wednesday.
Building Improvements: Ceiling tile detail this Thurs at 6:30 Pat will send out a text.
Budget: No report.
Building Maintenance: See above.
By-Laws: No report.
Community: Halloween 5-8pm.
Grants/Loans: Radio grant is still out there.
Grounds: No report.
Historic Records: No report.
LOSAP: 245 alarms so far, probably will need 40 to make your points.

Membership/Recruitment: No report.
Memorial: Veterans Day Ceremony 11/11 at 11am.
Pat talked to Brian /Shane Donath will make a bench for Nancy and Joanne when they have time.
Nominating: 26/27 Committee: Michele Cotterill, Erik Nelson, Sue Abbott, Ed Feola & Cooper Luchsinger.
Recycling: No report.
Social media: No report.
Sports: No report.
Training Tower: Pat Abbott reported.

- Nothing new, they talked about the plow, building and Tom had to move 60 sheets of plywood.

Truck Replacement: No report.

COMMUNICATIONS AND BILLS:
Communications: Ad for NY labor law poster. No interest, OCVFA dues. Jack Burton Thank you for Harold Hull Scholarship. Thank you from Pam Block with a $200.00 check. Posted on board. Received OCS request for yearbook ad.
Ed Feola made a motion we do the same as last year, a large ¼ page ad for $195. Tabled until November's Business meeting.
Report of Bills was distributed by the Treasurer. The membership was given the opportunity to review and question. ***Motion made by Jason Baleno, second by Pat Abbott, discussion held, and vote taken, the following resolution was approved: to accept and pay the bills as presented.***

PROPOSALS for MEMBERSHIP: None.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Try not to turn trucks around in someone's driveway. Pat just had to fix one.
- TV is on the wall. Mike Reed is writing instructions.
- Rearranging photos and plaques in the community room? Need a committee?
- Sue Abbott's Aunt and Uncle donated the TV. Denny Abbott suggested a plaque of acknowledgement.

Motion made by Denny Abbott, second by Cooper Luchsinger, discussion held, and vote taken, the following resolution was approved to purchase a plaque to recognize the tv donation. They will discuss the wording and get back next month.

Motion for adjournment made by Pat Abbott, second by Marilyn Strock, meeting adjourned at 20:17.

With Regards
Susan Fisher, SOFD Secretary