

Minutes of the Budget Meeting of the
Board of Fire Commissioners
Lido and Point Lookout Fire District
Held on October 21, 2025

*****Minutes Approved*****

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Comm. Thomspson

Present: Comm. Richter, Comm. Thompson, Comm. Guerin, Treasurer Dunham, Ast. Secretary/Treasurer AM Richter, District Clerk H. Thompson and Ben DiVenti, CPA

Not Present: Comm. Pogue-Steiner, Comm. Naham

District Accountant Ben DiVenti, CPA presented the Budget for 2026. NYS allowed a max of 2% from last year's budget number. For 2026 the total budget is \$2,3889,336.00.

Open floor for questions from the Public: No questions.

Motion to adjourned meeting at 7:03 PM by Comm. Richter seconded by Comm. Thompson. Approved 3-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by AM Richter, Asst. District Secretary/Treasurer

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Fire Commissioners
Lido and Point Lookout Fire District
Held on October 21, 2025**

*****Minutes Subject to Approval*****

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Comm. Thomspson

Present: Comm. Richter, Comm. Thompson, Comm. Guerin, Treasurer Dunham, Ast. Secretary/Treasurer AM Richter, District Clerk H. Thompson, Chief Guerin, Chef Meyer and Chief Neubert (via TEAMS)

Not Present: Comm. Pogue-Steiner, Comm. Naham and Chief Manning

Speakers without Appointment: None
Speakers with Appointment: Ed Haran- LOSAP
Dan Weiner, LOSAP
Ben DiVenti, CPA

Minutes of meeting held on October 7, 2025, were approved by Comm. Richter seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.

Executive minutes of meeting held on October 3, 2025, were approved by Comm. Richter seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.

Speakers without Appointment: None

Speakers with Appointment:

Ed Haran- LOSAP

1. We can now offer LOSAP up to 50 years of service, we have a few members that will hit that soon and it can increase monthly payment to members from \$800 to \$1000 per month. Board will discuss when everyone is present.

Dan Weiner, LOSAP

1. Submitted monthly reports to District.
2. Meet with Comm. Richter and Holly regarding inventory.
3. Had two interviews with NYS Controller Auditors.
4. VFIS requested information on member J. Walsh to confirm membership start date.
5. Asked 2502 for shape file for mapping which is needed to update locations for NERIS.
6. Added all mutual aid departments into NERIS.
7. Tomorrow Alpine will be hosting a NERIS training in Garden City, will be attending. Per Comm. Richter think we should offer in-house training to our members, especially the officers in each company.

8. Two PCs were decommissioned and destroyed per policy.

Ben DiVenti, CPA

1. Handed out Budget vs Actual report as of September 2025, we need to reclass \$305,550 between budget lines. Motion by Comm. Richter seconded by Comm. Thompson. Approved 3-0.
2. Motion by Comm. Richter to accept the 2026 Budget that was presented at tonight's Budget Meeting, seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.

District Employee Reports:

District Treasure's Report:

1. Abstract#42 dated October 21,2025, for 30 checks totaling \$47,291.84. Motion by Comm. Thompson seconded by Comm. Guerin Approved 3-0.
2. The Board members have received all claims vouchers listed on the Warrant of Claims together with their supporting documentation and approve them for payment. Warrant of Claims has been notarized and will be attached to the minutes. A signed and notarized Warrant of Claims is also on file in the District Office.
3. Comm. Richter asked about a charge on Abstract #38 the amount was about \$5,300. It was for the partial payment to Videoscopes, we needed to pay that amount on credit cards since it was the 1st time we purchased from them.
4. We need to update signatures at TD Bank. Going forward allowed Signatures will be Comm. Thompson, Treasurer Dunham, and Ast. Secretary/Treasurer AM Richter. Approved.
5. Bank Balances are of tonight's meeting:
 - a. Reserve: \$2,072,376.84
 - b. Payroll: \$35,178.73
 - c. General: \$1,274,236.24
 - d. M & T Bank: \$133,761.17

Asst. Secretary and Treasure's Report:

1. Payroll dated October 22, 2025, covered September 28- October 11,2025 was for 935.61 hours totaling \$29,149.20.
2. For the District election on Tuesday, December 9 I would like the Board to approve the following election committee:
 - Andrea M. Richter – HQ
 - Holly Thompson- Lido
 - Donna Walsh- HQ
 - Ann Haran- HQ
 - Diane O'Neil- HQ
 - Liz Murdy- Lido
 - Ellen Breenan- Lido
 - Charlene Manning- LidoMotion By Comm. Thomspson seconded by Comm. Richter. Approved 3-0.
3. Since Budget for 2026 was approved tonight, I will email to Town of Hempstead and post to our website.

4. Comm. Richter asked how many more transfers will be needed from General to Payroll for the balance of 2025? At least 4.

District Clerk:

1. Extended warranty for AC at Lido was purchased. AC is working well.
2. Due to the government shut down we received an email stating that no charts dated after October 1, 2025, will not be process until government reopens.
3. YTD, we collected \$160,243.57.
4. Last month we had 26 charts and collected \$907.78.
5. Received invoice to renew FASNY membership, its for 5 years totaling \$100. Motion by Comm. Thomspson seconded by Comm. Guerin. Approved 3-0.
6. Nicloe Morton sent email regarding training, who should handle it? Please forward to Comm. Thompson.
7. Camera guy was here today; he needs to purchase additional camera for Lido. We still have 1 camera at HQ not working, he is working on trouble shooting issue.

Chief Report

1. Per Chief Neubert the new Zoll monitors should be in within next few months.
2. Chief Meyer submitted quote for new standpipe bag for 259 in the amount of \$356.00 from SouthShore. Motion by Comm. Richter seconded by Comm. Guerin Approved 3-0.
3. All rigs will need new straps working on getting all measurements so I can get a quote.
4. Think we have a plan for 257X. Once we have all information will present to Board for approval.
5. Short Training will be November 5.
6. How much funds do we have left on the SAFER Grant? Depending on amount will determine what we will do next with recruitment video. AM Richter will email balance.
7. Thinks we should purchase 5 carabiners and clips, we already have the rope for. Comm. Richter asked for quote.
8. Handed in receipts for food that was purchased for fire school standbys.
9. Would like to purchase 12 all-weather locks that have the same combination or key. Holly will order.
10. Per Nassau Country Dispatch they will be adding 3 new channels that are not required but, thinks we should program our radios. Comm. Richter agrees, please get us quote and can we wait till next year? Yes.
11. Training at 54 Mineola Ave is ongoing and going great.
12. Lido school asked if we would participate in fire prevention event on November 17.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

Comm. Richter

1. Have a meeting tomorrow at 12PM with T-Mobile. The new package for 12 iPads, 4 cellphones and 2 hot spots for ambulances will cost about \$100 more than what we currently pay. I have reached out to AT&T twice and never heard back. I think we need 12 ipads since we will need to have in all vehicles due to the NERIS reporting that will be needed as of January 1, 2026. Spoke with Chiefs and the feedback with the test ipads was great. Island Tech can install the mounts that will be needed. Would like authorization

form Board to sign contract with T-Mobile. Motion by Comm. Richter seconded by Comm. Thompson. Approved 3-0.

2. Comm. Richter asked Chief office to pick what they want for a lighting package for new pickup truck and get quote.
3. Stripping on new truck should be done by next week, once done the vehicle needs to go to dealership for the check engine light.
4. We need to purchase new flashlights. The current ones on 254 and 255 came with the trucks. Thinks we should standardize so all vehicles have the same.
5. Apparatus:
 - a. 255 go to Firematic? When PM was done, find a crack in pump panel.
 - b. Still waiting for the vendor to call about 253.
 - c. PM is needed on 259 before 255 goes OOS.
6. Training Center- need to follow up with Patrick Mullaney regarding grant.
7. Working on inventory updates with Holly and Dan, should have the 1st round of inventory reports for Chiefs shortly.
8. Sent all paperwork for 1st round of reimbursement to NYS for reimbursement for Water Rescue grant. We have about \$30,000 left for lighting and lettering.
9. Asked Holly to schedule yearly service with McDonald for heating system.
10. With staffing changes thinks we need to update office hours for the rest of the year to be the following: Monday-Thursday 8-4PM and Friday 8-12 PM. Approved.

Comm. Thompson:

1. Chief you and department did a great job at Fire School.
2. Waiting on second quote to paint Rescue house.
3. 258 was cleaned today by clinic clean.
4. Duck race was a success, thank you to all who participated.
5. The Town closed off access to Lido West.
6. No reply from Senator Gillen's office regarding dock at Resuce.
7. Still no information from Town of Hempstead regarding new town park along Lido Blvd.
8. Thinks we should pass resolution regarding video conference for Commissioners Meeting as long as we have a quorum here at HQ and the video conference area is open to the public.
9. Did a cost analysis on all standby we did for events in District during May 2025-October, it cost us about \$40,505.59 in manpower plus food cost. Thinks we should request meeting with Town of Hempstead regarding cost to our taxpayers.

Comm. Guerin:

1. Sent email regarding LED sign to Holly, she now has access to program sign.
2. Working to get bumpers install.
3. Had meeting with hospital regarding physicals, waiting for pricing.
4. Island Tech suggested we have an independent auditor done on our cyber security. Motion by Comm. Guerin seconded by Comm. Richter to move forward with audit. Approved 3-0.

Comm. Naham: (Not Present)

Comm. Pogue-Steiner (Emailed to Comm. Thompson)

1. On October 14, 2025, myself and Comm. Guerin meet with Terri Ryan and notified her that she would not be reappointed to the position of District Secretary at the January 2026 Organizational Meeting. Ms. Ryan elected to separate from the District immediately. In appreciation of her more than 25 years of service to the District, Ms. Ryan's salary will continue until 12/31/2025.

Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 7:00 PM

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:17 PM by Comm. Guerin seconded by Comm. Richter.

Approved 3-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by AM Richter, Asst. District Secretary/Treasurer