

CALEDONIA JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

June 10, 2026

MINUTES

Present: Fire Commissioners Chairman Jim Dutton, Don Cook, Bill Anderson, Tony DeMarco, and Ron Beach

Others Present: Secretary/Treasurer Sue Carson, Chief Mike Churchill, Deputy Chief John Murray, Captain Bob Jake, Will Dietrich, Brooke Vesico, and Emily Quinn.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Dutton at 6:30 p.m. All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion #066 -2026

Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and all approved of the May meeting minutes.

Motion #067 -2026

Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, and all approved use of the Fire Hall for Hometown Holidays on December 4th and 5th.

A discussion was held regarding recent membership changes.

Brooke Vesico, and Emily Quinn left the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Chief Churchill's Report:

- The May Fire Report was provided electronically prior to the meeting. The May Fuel Log was presented. The Treasurer will bill the department for the diesel fuel they used in May.

Motion #068-2026

- Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeMarco, and all approved of the May Fire Report.
- Gladstone Grill donated a grill to the District.
- Equipment Update
 - #114 – Truck is back in service, but hose must be tested. Reviewed the repairs that Firematic made outside the scope of the accident repairs. Draft valve for foam pump is frozen. Will obtain quotes for replacement or go to manual valves.
 - #118 – Foam lines plugged, flush still needs to be done.
 - #119- Alternator and batteries replaced.

- Hose -Reviewed results of hose testing.
- Three G1 Unication pagers have been ordered but are not in.
- Air packs and masks are back
- Deputy Chief Murray obtained pricing for installation of the multiband radios(APX8500) as follows, all per hour: Flower City \$186 and WNY Radio Service \$150. WNY Radio Service will honor Livingston County's rate. Tim Warth was contacted for a price, but no response was received.
- Captain Jake noted Frontier does not offer fiber optics in the area where the fire hall is located. Recommends waiting six months and then revisit. Also discussed the District's iPads and replacement schedule. KABLES recommends all iPads be replaced based upon their age.

Approved Purchases

Motion #069-2026

- Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to have WNY Radio Service to program the multiband radios.
The vote is as follows:
 - Dutton: Aye
 - Anderson: Abstain
 - Beach: Aye
 - Cook: Aye
 - DeMarco: Aye

Motion # 070-2026

- Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeMarco, and all approved the purchase a Cody rugged case for the newest iPad at a cost of \$38.

Motion # 071-2026

- Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved the payment to Bill Keller for catering the Babysitters Banquet in the amount of \$686.34.

Reported Purchases (under the \$500 threshold that do not require motion and approval)

- See June 2026 attachment.

Motion #072 – 2026

- A motion was made by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Beach; all approved of the J.W. Jones Hall fundraiser activities as listed below with all active fire fighters eligible to participate.

June

15- Sr Citizens

- 17 – Dept Board Meeting
- 18 – Barbie Martin
- 21 – Photography class
- 22 – Dept physicals
- 24 – Dept meeting

1996 Freightliner Fire Tanker Update

- The District received two sealed bids for the tanker. These were opened at 7:00 pm. Debusk Volunteer Fire Department bid \$25,000, contingent upon financing and Happy Hill Maple Products, Inc bid \$5,147.60.

Motion #073 – 2026

- Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeMarco and all agreed to accept the bid from the Debusk Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$25,000 for the sale of the 1996 Freightliner tanker, with the contingency the District has received \$25,000, or a commitment letter in the amount of \$25,000 is provided by a financial institution or other financing option by the 10th day of July 2026.
- If the truck remains unsold the District will contact brokers for its sale.

Tahoe Replacement

- Mr. Dutton noted the Tahoe is approximately ten years old and has been requiring significant repairs. The District may have to consider repairing/rehabbing larger trucks, instead of replacing them, due to the cost to purchase.
- Deputy Chief Murray presented his recommendation for the Deputy Chief's vehicle.

Motion #074– 2026

Mr. Anderson made the following motion, which was seconded by Mr. DeMarco:

- 1) Offered a resolution to (i) Authorize the acquisition of a 2026 Ford F150 Police Responder pickup truck by means of a Permissive Referendum at a maximum aggregate cost of \$75,000, which may include equipment and apparatus required in connection therewith; (ii) transfer \$75,000 from the Capital Equipment Apparatus Reserve Fund GML6G of the District and thereby authorizing the expenditure of \$75,000 (funds then on hand) for the purchase of the new pickup truck;
- 2) Sell and dispose of its existing 2017 Chevy Tahoe when such truck is determined by the Board of Fire Commissioners to be an unnecessary and surplus vehicle and (ii) deposit the proceeds of such sale or sales into the Fire District's Capital Equipment Apparatus Reserve Fund GML6G.

Commissioner Vote:

Commissioner Dutton	Yea
Commissioner Anderson	Yea
Commissioner Beach	Abstain
Commissioner Cook	Yea
Commissioner DeMarco	Yea

Motion #075 – 2026

Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeMarco agreeing to reserve a decision on the radios to be purchased for the F150 until more discussion can be held.

Commissioner Vote:

Dutton: Yea

Anderson: Yea

Beach: Abstain

Cook: Yea

DeMarco: Yea

2027 Budget Consideration Items

(Any pricing noted is an estimate as of this date)

- Replace six iPads-\$4,148
- Otter box defenders(iPad case) (6)- \$600
- AED batteries (5) - \$2,000

EMS Update

- No report.

Grant Update

- Mr. DeMarco noted AFG is open. Mr. Dutton suggested requesting \$100,000 grant to replace the Van.

Motion #076 – 2026

- Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Anderson and all approved submitting an application to AFG for the purchase of a new van and providing the 10% matching funds. Additionally, the District will write a letter to Claudia Tenney to inform her the grant application.

Fire Commissioner's Reports

- The Commissioners stated 2025 audit response for future factors will note cost of equipment, staffing, longevity of fire hall and stability of tax revenues.

- Mr. Cook stated he had reviewed May bank statements and reconciliations for the Checking, Money Market Account, and JUMBO CD bank accounts and noted no discrepancies.

Secretary Treasurer's Report

- The District has received \$8,197.83 and \$135 from the Fire Department for reimbursement of insurance package and three Microsoft Office 2024 licenses, respectively.

Motion #077-2026

- Mr. Beach made a motion, Mr. Cook seconded, and all approved the Treasurer's Report and payment of vouchers #88-105, totaling \$93,602.05.

Motion #078 – 2026

- Mr. Cook made a motion, Mr. DeMarco seconded, and all approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Carson
Secretary/ Treasurer