

CALEDONIA JOINT FIRE DISTRICT
August 12, 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, and Deputy Chief John Murray

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

Motion #088 -2026

Mr. DeMarco made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beach, and all approved of the July 8 meeting minutes.

Motion #089 -2026

Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beach, and all approved of the July 21 meeting minutes.

Motion #090– 2026

- WHEREAS, the Board has been informed that the Caledonia Fire Department has approved the proposed membership of applicant Ian Milliman, residing at 3686 Neale Rd. Caledonia NY within the territorial boundaries of the Caledonia Fire District/area protected and
- WHEREAS, the Board has been further informed that the applicant has been cleared for membership based upon the successful completion of the arson/sex offense records check performed in accordance with Executive Law Section 837-o;
- IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED on motion of Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Beach, that applicant Ian Milliman be approved for membership in the Caledonia Fire Department with a D status, subject to his completion of the oath of membership and subject to the six- month probationary requirements of the Caledonia Fire Department. On the roll call the vote was as follows:

Dutton: Aye

Beach: Aye

Cook: Aye

DeMarco: Aye

Anderson: Aye

Chief Churchill's Report:

- The July Fire Report was provided electronically prior to the meeting. The July Fuel Log was presented.

Motion #091-2026

- Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeMarco, and all approved of the July Fire Report.
- Due to poor service from the Churchville location of Firematic the District has switched service sites to Tonawanda.
- Line Officers report they are unable to download files. Mr. Anderson will contact KABLES to request Deputy Chief John Murray be local administrator for the District.
- Due to ongoing issues with Caledonia Mini Storage, the District will look for other storage options.
- Equipment Update
 - All trucks have received their annual preventative maintenance and hose tests.
 - #114 -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.
 - Gas meters are all back in service
 - #119 – A/C has been fixed. The fuel tank is rusty and will go to Firematic for undercoating.
 - Three G1 Unication pagers are not in service.
 - Radio programmer WNY Radio Service is estimated to be here this week to review programming needs. Next week the two radios should be programmed.
 - New tires for the Silverado have been installed.
 - Tahoe – Premium fuel has been used recently, and the truck is running better.
- Deputy Chief Murray reported the following:
 - York fire (Barefoot Lane) – Noted homeowner was charged with 19 felonies. Mr. Dutton will contact Attorney DiRaddo prior to any legal actions the District may be involved in.
 - County Chief's Meeting- Livingston County Board of Supervisors have funds they would like to use to assist with retention and recruitment of fire fighters. They will be meeting with a consulting agency.
 - Radio power had been lowered due to complaints in Canada. It will be restored to original power levels.
- Chili Fire Department will be hosting an event in remembrance of the 25th anniversary of 9/11.

Approved Purchases

Motion # 092-2026

- Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, and all approved the purchase of five adult extrication collars at a cost of \$26.95, 4 adult sphygmomanometers at a cost of \$51.26, one case of cold pack at \$18.96, one case of hot pack at \$23.29, two O2 monitors at \$80 and six bottles of sterile water (250 ml) \$49.74.

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

- See August 2026 attachment.

Motion #093 – 2026

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

September

15 – Wedding

17- Senior citizens

19 – Training class for Jones Chemical, CFD Board meeting

26- Department meeting

28 – Republican meeting

29 – Bridal shower

Ford F150 Police Responder

Motion #094 – 2026

- Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Anderson and all approved using Sourcewell for the purchase of the Police Responder with the contingency that Attorney Ray DiRaddo provides a satisfactory legal opinion on Sourcewell.

Grant Update

- No report.

New Fire Hall Update

- Mr. Dutton noted Kevin Donaghue stated that Campus Construction is willing to work with the District on the purchase and construction of a fire hall at the Jones Hall site under the previously discussed terms. If the public approves the referendum, the parties will enter into a negotiated contract. If voters reject the proposal, Campus Construction will not charge the District for its services.
- The Commissioners agreed Mr. Dutton should continue to obtain necessary information to keep the project on track.

Fire Commissioner's Reports

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

Secretary Treasurer's Report

- The District has received the following funds:
 - \$25,000 - DeBusk Fire Department for the sale of the 1996 Freightliner tanker.
 - \$1,000 donation - Trout Fest
 - \$1,659 - Gallagher Insurance return of premium
 - \$3,780.05 – NYS (County wide services)
 - \$42.25 -Fire Department fuel reimbursement

Motion #095-2026

- Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beach and all approved the 2026 Multiyear Capital Plan, Policy, inventory and schedule of truck and equipment replacement.

Motion #096-2026

- Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeMarco and all approved the 2026 Multiyear Financial Plan and Policy.

Motion #097-2026

- Mr. Cook made a motion, Mr. Beach seconded, and all approved the Treasurer's Report and payment of vouchers #122-137, totaling \$34,401.13.

Motion #098 – 2026

- Mr. Cook made a motion, Mr. Beach seconded, and all agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Carson
Secretary/ Treasurer