Minutes of Public Hearing for Proposed 2026 Budget October 21, 2025

PRESENT: Commissioners Poupore, McGill, Woehrle

EXCUSED: Commissioners Pacheco and Daly

Also Present: Chief Vena, Chief's Administrative Assistant Michele Mazuryk, Secretary Anne Heller

- 1. The Public Hearing for the Proposed 2026 Budget was called to order at 7:11 p.m. under the direction of Finance Chairman McGill.
- 2. Secretary Heller read the public hearing notice which states the date, time, & location of the public hearing as well as instructions to the public regarding requesting a copy of the proposed 2026 budget.
 - The public hearing notice was published in the official newspaper (The Daily Gazette) of the fire district on 10/04/25.
 - The public hearing notice was posted at Balltown Rd and River Rd stations.
 - The public hearing notice was posted on the Fire District No. 1 website.
- 3. Commissioner Woehrle then stated the procedure for the public budget hearing.
- 4. Finance Chairman McGill stated: The 2026 proposed budget for the Niskayuna Fire District No. 1 includes a \$5.38MM tax levy, which is an increase of 2.76% from the 2025 tax levy. Our net expense increase is 4.54%. The proposed budget summarizes the various categories of income and expense that resulted in the aforementioned tax levy. With that I present the 2026 proposed budget to the Board of Fire Commissioners and members of the public for your review.
 - A copy of the 2026 proposed budget was made available in the meeting room.
- 5. Commissioner Woehrle stated the procedure for public comments:
 - No public comments made
- 6. Public comments are concluded.
- 7. The Board of Fire Commissioners may now ask questions:
 - No questions from the Board of Fire Commissioners

- 8. Finance Chairman McGill, if able to do so, answered questions discussed during public comment period and Fire Commissioner Comment period:
 - No questions were asked of Finance Chairman McGill

Commissioner Woehrle stated: This public hearing regarding the 2026 proposed budget is declared closed. Can I receive a motion and second from members of the Board of Fire Commissioners?

Motion/ Poupore, Second/ McGill: to close the 2026 public budget hearing at 7:23 pm. Passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Secretary

Anne Heller

Niskayuna Fire District No. 1