



MINUTES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting – August 27, 2024

ATTENDEES: Commissioner Anthony Pignataro
Commissioner Barry Ward
Commissioner Richard Sassi *(via Teams to start meeting)*
Chief Anthony Champion
Secretary Bria Le
Commissioner Robert Taft
Chairman Mark Komorsky *(via Teams)*
Treasurer Mark Pozniak *(via Teams)*
Attorney Michael Hekle *(via Teams)*

At 6:01 pm, Commissioner Pignataro called the Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meeting to order for Tuesday, August 27th, 2024, and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES: - 8/13/24 Regular Meeting

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Ward and SECONDED by Commissioner Taft, the Board RESOLVED to approve the 8/13/24 Regular Meeting minutes. Taft – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was nothing at this time.

ROOM USE REQUESTS:

There were none at this time.

OLD BUSINESS/UNRESOLVED ITEMS:

- Station 1 Building Update – Commissioner Ward stated there was nothing new on this.
- Station 3 Storage Room – Commissioner Ward stated this item continues to be a work in progress.
- Station 2 Brick Pointing – Commissioner Ward stated this item continues to be a work in progress.
- Staffing Community Events – Chief Champion stated they have received requests for standby dates for the football games at Arlington High School. He is working on a plan to staff them accordingly. The next item is October 12 for Lagrange Safety Day, which is being orchestrated by the Fire Prevention Coordinator Michael Henry. Henry has submitted a budget for the year for Fire Prevention and participation in school events in October that will carry him through until next year. The budget he proposed is above the budgeted amount of \$12,000 so Chief Champion is requesting an amendment to \$13,000 for this budget line. This is due to an increase in material costs. Commissioner Ward stated this would require a budget adjustment. Treasurer Pozniak stated they could move money within the budget or appropriate it from the fund balance. Commissioner Ward would rather move it within the budget and asked if it could be done at the next meeting. Chairman Komorsky asked if the items left over from the last Safety Day were taken into account. Chief Champion stated yes. The only thing he believes were surplus were some fire helmets.

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Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Ward and SECONDED by Commissioner Taft, the Board RESOLVED to approve up to \$13,000 for the Fire Prevention Budget with a budget adjustment to be discussed at the next meeting. Taft – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

- ESO Reporting status update – Commissioner Ward stated they would be meeting in September.
- Grant update – Chief Champion said the Covid Grant 4480 has all of the closeout documentation there. They are just waiting for final approval. An official final agreement with the County for the purchase of the ballistic wear is set. He will be contacting MES to execute that. He continues to work on the submissions for reimbursement on the SAFER Grant. Commissioner Pignataro asked how long into the future they have to continue to submit requests. Chief Champion stated until all of the money that they have been allocated is spent. They have until 2025, but he will be requesting beyond that because they did not start on the initial date of the receipt of the funds. The grant administrators are aware of that. Treasurer Pozniak stated it was a three-year window, but they stated that they needed more than three years because they did not hire eight people on day one. They could not formally request the extension until later on in the process.
- Diesel Tank Accessories - Chief Champion said this is an ongoing process. Chairman Komorsky asked if Chief Champion had reached out to Scott Price yet regarding the proposed bollards. Chief Champion stated he has reached out, but it is a matter of coordinating when they can get together and having everything marked out to make sure there is nothing underground that would be severed or disturbed. Chairman Komorsky asked if he was going to supply a price prior to coming in and Chief Champion stated he would get that and get it to the Board prior to Mr. Price breaking ground.
- Lock Smith Station 1 & 3 - Chief Champion stated he was delayed in his return to the District this weekend. This has been rescheduled to Friday and then they will review Stations 1 and 3.
- Station 2 mower – Chief Champion stated there is someone present who would love a new mower, however, tonight he does not have a summary of the review from Lieutenant Demitto.
- Station 1 Overhead Doors - Chief Champion stated this may be an adjustment for the painting. He has not had the appropriate return on the quotes at this point. He does believe the interest was in doing all three stations, not just Station 1. Chairman Komorsky stated that is correct. Station 3 doors are fading very badly, and they are looking shabby. Commissioner Pignataro stated Station 3 doors were not done that long ago. Chairman Komorsky stated he drove by them not long ago and are not looking too good.

Commissioner Pignataro stated for the record that Chief Champion and Firefighter Martell both left the meeting for an emergency dispatch.

- Chairman Komorsky stated, for the record, that they did discuss all of the station doors and Stations 1, 2, and 3 all need their doors repainted. Commissioner Pignataro asked if the

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volunteers had done the Station three doors and Chairman Komorsky said yes, it was Mike Hackett that did it the last time.

Commissioner Pignataro stated since the Chief has left the building, they will be moving forward out of order to include him in his discussion items.

- Policy Manual review/Software – Commissioner Sassi was not present, so there was no update at this time.
- Fire Police – There was nothing to discuss in Commissioner Sassi’s absence.
- MTO – There was nothing to discuss in Commissioner Sassi’s absence.
- Building Repairs/Repair Requests – Secretary Le stated she spoke to KoscoHeritage this afternoon. They were out of fuel oil at Station 1. They were called to make a delivery, and they said that the current tanks at Station 1 and Station 3 are in sheds, and they are not in compliance, and they need to be piped in. She is not sure exactly what that means so Chief Champion will be reaching out to Redemption Mechanical to see what can be done to fix this. KoscoHeritage will not do another delivery until the issue is corrected. Commissioner Pignataro asked if this just came out of the blue or if they had heard about a problem like this before. Secretary Le stated they have been making regular deliveries up until April. They do not need it over the summer so in the fall they resume delivery. She is not sure what the issue is that they are out of it right now, but the entire thing just came up late this afternoon. Chairman Komorsky stated the tanks are in the sheds, but they do have the filler pipe that comes to the wall of the shed and it is sealed off. Technically the filler pipe is outside of the shed. Commissioner Pignataro stated this will be added to the next agenda so they can get an update from the Chief.

Commissioner Sassi joined via Teams.

NEW BUSINESS: -

- NYCLASS – Commissioner Pignataro stated that in everyone's pocket is a flyer regarding NYCLASS. Treasurer Pozniak stated he had mentioned this a few meetings ago. Chairman Komorsky had also looked into this independently. NYCLASS is an investment vehicle specifically and exclusively designed for New York municipalities. It conforms to all of the New York State investment regulations. It is designed to be a safe and liquid investment. He is very comfortable with it and familiar with it from using it with other towns and fire districts. In the past the rate has always been better than what they were getting interest-wise from their money market in Mahopac. Mahopac is more liquid and more accessible when it is needed. They have traditionally kept the money there but as things have changed over the last few years there are changes in banking as well. They are getting approximately 2 1/4% interest from Mahopac and NYCLASS is at approximately 5 1/4%. That 3% difference is significant. He does feel the need to encourage the district to participate in this. Everyone has information on the program itself. It is not FDIC insured. They are generally speaking safe investments, and they have third-party collateralization. That basically means they hold assets elsewhere as collateral for the amount of money that is deposited into the accounts. In the package there is a resolution should they choose to adopt it tonight. They are not in a hurry to do this so if they want to wait until the next meeting that is fine as

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well. The other thing to consider is who would be signers on the account. He does recommend that it be himself, Commissioner Sassi, and Commissioner Pignataro, who are the same as the bank signatories. They can also get view only access, which he would recommend giving to Bria and Jenn to review the statements. They would not be able to perform any transactions. The Board can also do something that would require two signers to authorize every transaction. He does have mixed feelings about that as it makes things clumsier and slows down the process, but it is up to the Board as it does provide additional security. Commissioner Pignataro asked if this was tied to the T-bills or if it was a portfolio investment. Treasurer Pozniak stated it is a portfolio of investments. Treasury bills do make up over two thirds of it. He stated for comparison sake, the Mahopac Funds have close to \$10 million in them. They are insured up to \$250,000 and the rest is third-party collateralized. It is the same concept of insurance for the bank as well as the NYClass monies. The risks are different but the insurance is roughly the same. Commissioner Pignataro stated he does not have a problem with this, and it does say that you can have unlimited accounts so they can break it down based on the funds that they have. Treasurer Pozniak stated you can break out the reserve funds so the interest goes only to the reserves for that amount of money and segregate the funds. You can distinguish the money by account. Commissioner Ward asked about the insurance and Treasurer Pozniak stated it is not insurance, but it is a third-party collateralization up to whatever amount is invested. He stated that at Mahopac they are insured up to \$250,000 and the rest is also third-party collateralization. It is the basic same concept. Commissioner Ward asked if there was any additional risk versus the risk that they currently have. Treasurer Pozniak said there are risks either way, just different risks. His recommendation is that they do put funds into NYCLASS as the risk is very, very, very low. He recommends keeping one to two month's expenses in the bank at all times. Currently he keeps the funds in the Money Market and as it gets spent, he moves it to the checking account. They would be doing something similar to this with those funds. There is a specific resolution in your packet that NYCLASS requires for opening the accounts. There should be a second resolution that defines several things. One would be who has access to this account, for the signers and for the viewers. A second would be whether or not they want two authorizations. Number three would be if the Board wants to set a limit on how much can be invested in there. It could be a percentage or a fixed dollar amount if they so choose. Commissioner Ward stated he did not see the value in that if the risk is the same and this is the higher interest. Treasurer Pozniak stated it would just be a board comfort level thing. Chairman Komorsky asked if it was fair to say that these securities are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government meaning that they are mostly all treasury bills and they do not have much risk at all. Treasurer Pozniak stated he believes that is a fair statement. Chairman Komorsky stated if they choose to do this, he would like to be a viewer. Commissioner Ward stated he understands the risk. He just does not see the value and setting a limit as to where the funds are. Treasurer Pozniak stated he has no problem with it not being a limit. He looks at who makes the most interest and where they need the most liquidity. NYCLASS is not nonliquid, it just takes approximately 2 days to get the funds transferred into the bank account. The 3% insurance is a significant thing on that amount of money. A year from now that may be smaller, and they may revisit this. He stated at this point he would put as much as they could into NYCLASS. Commissioner Pignataro asked for an explanation of the dual authorization and Treasurer Pozniak explained it. Commissioner Pignataro asked Attorney Hekle his opinion on it as they do not have it in place now and should they have in place now. Attorney Hekle stated from his perspective it is not a bad idea. They have not had issues in the past and this is not a requirement. This is on the conservative end of best practices. It is a pretty common practice. Chairman

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Komorsky asked if there was anything that precludes the Board from going to Goldman Sachs or Charles Schwab as they get higher interest to accounts with over \$1 million. Treasurer Pozniak stated that is allowable under finance law investments. As long as it is the equivalent of a money market. They do have to make the third-party collateralization parameters. He likes the NYCLASS option because it is designed specifically to meet the standards of municipal accounting. He stated he has also worked with a company who separates their funds into \$250,000 allotments and deposit those amongst different banks, so they are all covered under FDIC. If and when NYCLASS drops interest lower, they can review all other options at that point as well. Treasurer Pozniak stated he is available for review of the budget if anyone wants to meet. He is looking primarily for anything different for the 2025 year from what the Board has traditionally done in the past. He is looking for any manpower changes or any capital projects. It may just be a matter of confirming what is in Commissioner Ward's capital spreadsheets. These are all things that need to be built into the initial budget. Chairman Komorsky stated he has a concern on the equipment line moving forward. Commissioner Ward stated they do not have enough money there. Commissioner Ward suggested they meet with the Chief and look at PPE grant options. Chairman Komorsky stated he believes they need an additional buffer as well in that line. Treasurer Pozniak stated maybe they could indicate what the contributions need to be in order to reach the purchase goals that are in there. Commissioner Ward stated he would get together with the Treasurer. Chairman Komorsky stated he will call Treasurer Pozniak as he has some concerns as well.

Treasurer Pozniak state he has one personnel issue for Executive Session.

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Pignataro and SECONDED by Commissioner Ward, the Board RESOLVED to authorize participation in the NYCLASS program under the terms of the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement amended and restated as of August 1, 2023. This is per the attached to the Resolution. Taft – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Taft and SECONDED by Commissioner Ward, the Board RESOLVED to assign Mark Pozniak, Richard Sassi, Anthony Pignataro as authorized signors on this account and the dual authorization for any movement of funds are required. Also, the viewers of the account will be the remainder of the Board, Bria Le, and Jenn Kaiser. There will be no limit as to the amount of funds deposited into this NYCLASS fund. Taft – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

At this point, the agenda was brought back to old business as the Chief had returned.

- Station 1 Overhead Doors - Chief Champion stated that the Station 1 doors are all peeling on the inside and outside. As Chairman Komorsky noted the Station 3 doors are all peeling as well and you can see the roller impressions. The doors at Station 2 are fading as well. The quote would be for all three stations. He asked if it would require three separate quotes or one quote for all three sets of doors. Commissioner Pignataro asked Treasurer Pozniak if this has to go out as one project. Treasurer Pozniak stated when they consider the procurement requirements they need to aggregate the totals. He is not sure if it will meet the bid threshold. That is \$20,000 for products

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and \$35,000 for public works, which includes labor and installations. The Chief stated it will not come close to that dollar amount for just painting the doors. The Treasurer told him to get one estimate and if it is over \$10,000 to get a second estimate. The Board granted permission to the Chief to move forward with this.

- Policy Manual/Software review – Commissioner Pignataro asked Chief Champion if he had anything on this to discuss in Commissioner Sassi’s absence. The Chief stated that Commissioner Sassi has been spearheading this and they have not had a chance to have discussion on this topic.
- Building Repairs/Repair Requests – Commissioner Pignataro stated that Secretary Le brought the Board up to date on the fuel tank issue. He asked if there was anything additional. Chief Champion stated they have major and minor PMs that are conducted on all of the generators at the stations. Station 1 and Station 3 are relatively newer machinery. The one at Station 2 is an older model from when the building was built. It has been determined that aside from the major and minor PM work it is going to need extensive work to the point of having the engine come off of the block because they are starting to see degradation in the diesel tank. There is degradation of the components in the control panel. Because of the age of this unit it is hard to find replacement parts if any are still even being made. The Chief is in the process of obtaining a quote for the removal, purchase, and installation of a new unit. He will hopefully have it for the next meeting. They can continue to use it now, but the life expectancy is unknown at this point. Doing work on it that is required would cost an exorbitant fee to take it all apart and lifted out to get to the oil pan underneath and replace the parts in the control board. Commissioner Pignataro asked how old it was, and the Chief stated older than his tenure here. It is a necessity for this building and for the services they provide. Commissioner Ward stated these vendors should also have an idea of what their end of service target is for their equipment. They should be able to supply if it has a 10 year or 15-year life span so that they can plan appropriately for a replacement schedule. He suggested they also find out what the age of the one at Station 3 and Station 1 to see where they would fall into a replacement schedule as well. Chairman Komorsky stated these are not inexpensive pieces of equipment. They will be large capital projects.
- The Chief stated the Rescue Committee has picked a vendor to go with. There has not been any build configurations, or anything further meetings to spec out the future needs at this point. Initially when that vendor was here, they did give a 3-4 year lead time before delivery. As they have not started the build process, the Chief is expecting it to be longer than that. Considering the state of the economy and increasing costs, they are looking at approximately a \$2 million rescue truck that will fit within the confines that they have presently for space in the building. Commissioner Ward stated they already have an inflation factor that they assume for this anyway, they just need to pick a time frame.
- Steve Turner has set up the initial configuration for the exhaust at Station 1 and marked it out. They will follow up with Giaimo to run the electricity and install it so he can install the exhaust system at Station 1 in the bays. It is a work in progress for the vent fan for the bathrooms at Station 2. In the previous discussions for capital improvements, Station 2 was on the list for bathroom renovations and a few other items, and he is unsure if they are still on the list.

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- Chief Champion stated he has spoken with Treasurer Pozniak in regard to the old International. He has not yet posted it to GovDeals.com. Kingston Fire District has reached out and they would like to take a look at it. He will call them to see if they want to come and look at it and if they are really interested in it and see what value they will put on it. If it is not a respectable amount, he will continue with GovDeals.com. It has been expressed to him that because they are a municipality, there are different rules and parameters they are allowed to follow in regard to selling it. There is a bit more leniency to selling it to them as opposed to going out to bid. They have not come to view it, nor have they stated any dollar amounts at this point. If they don't want it or the offer is unreasonable, it will still be posted GovDeals.com. Treasurer Pozniak stated when they normally dispose of assets, they need to ensure that they are getting fair market value for them. An auction is a great way to do that. Otherwise they have to advertise. If they are selling it to another municipal entity, in this case another fire district, it softens those rules. They have more room in naming the price and they don't have to put it out competitively for bidding. As long as they are getting a somewhat reasonable amount, they can sell it directly to Kingston. Attorney Hekle stated that there is an exemption for municipalities. He does not have a concern about that. His bigger concern is making sure that it is sold as is. Treasurer Pozniak stated that he feels in the spirit of being a good neighbor as long as Kingston knows of the flaws in the vehicle they can continue with that sale. If they are not interested, they can continue with the auction option. Commissioner Pignataro asked if the Chief would keep the Board informed at the next meeting as to which direction they are going and he said yes. He stated if anything happens between now and the next meeting he will get out an e-mail, so everyone is aware of what is going on.

REPORTS: (by officers present)

- **Treasurer Pozniak** – His report was given with the NYCLASS discussion.
- **Chief Anthony Champion**
 - In County Training – Chief Champion stated during the last two weeks they have hosted the location for the trench awareness technician level training. During that time they had numerous people from their own departments, City of Beacon, City of Poughkeepsie, and Arlington come through. The instructors were extremely happy with the untouched, virgin, soil that was provided to them. They did say it was too unrealistic, but they loved the training space. If they could continue to do that for the future it would be an awesome thing to provide for additional classes. Towards the middle of the first week the Commissioner of OFPC was here viewing his personnel's training. Mr. Cable, one of the administrators from OFPC was also here so it was nice to see them and to be able to show them around. Towards the middle and end of September there will be rope technician classes, of which they have a few people signed up for. There will be Fire Police class tentatively set for the fourth quarter that will be hosted by Dutchess County Sheriffs. The upcoming training opportunity with Union Vale on the acquired structure is pending paperwork approval.
 - Out of County Training - Chief Champion stated there is a request from volunteer Richard Sassi for an EMS CME class for Pediatric Emergency Readiness Symposium hosted at Westchester Medical Maria Fareri on September 16. He has registered for the class and is requesting use of the district vehicle. It is a midday session from 12 noon until 4 PM. The Board was in favor of this.

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Chief Champion stated they are still in the process of reviewing Flow MSP and First Due for the betterment of the district moving forward. He will hopefully have a summary to give before the next meeting.

EMS - Chief Champion stated on 15 August he obtained the signatures for the new Medical Director. They notified the State and the region of the change of Medical Director. He also signed six staff member's recertification paperwork and that has been submitted as well. They are pending approval from the State on those. He would like to recognize Dr. Murphy for her time in service to the Lagrange Fire District and he is checking to see if she is available to come to a Commissioner meeting if the Board is so inclined to present her with some sort of plaque or certificate. Commissioner Pignataro stated that sounds like a great idea. Attorney Hekle stated he assumes that means that the contract was acceptable with the edits. Chief Champion stated that was fine after that correction. Everything has been sent to Dr. Felice at the hospital and the Medical Director is being paid for time as he goes. The Chief stated he is going to meet with Lieutenant Merritt and the Medical Director next Tuesday to get him all up to speed with what the district's needs are so that everything moves forward seamlessly. That way if he has anything that he needs as well, they can get it for him.

Mechanical - Chief Champion said that in tonight's Teams folder for the meeting, there is a write up for the mechanical standing of the fleet.

Civil Service – The Chief stated a reply has been sent to civil service regarding their submission of recommendations. There has been no reply yet.

Incident of Note - The Chief stated that yesterday at 9:15 AM there was a fire that turned into a second alarm. Lieutenant Wern was working at Station 1 and executed the second alarm of 10-35. He and the initial crew did a phenomenal job with sizing up, extinguishing, and venting. So much so that their swift efforts concluded that incident in a dramatic fashion and it ended in 30 to 40 min. There was extensive mop up that was required but he wanted to make sure that the Chief gave him, Paramedic Rogers, Firefighter Henry, and Paramedic Daly acknowledgment of an awesome job as well as the crew from Station 2, which were Lieutenant Demilto, Paramedic Hackett, Paramedic Edgar, and Paramedic Tambini. There were some individuals who came in on the 1035 call and he wanted to commend them as well. He would like to continue to foster that attitude and aggressiveness in their attacks. Commissioner Pignataro stated on behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioners he thanked all of them and appreciate their effort and expertise as well as their professionalism. He asked that the board's appreciation be expressed to the rest of the staff as well. It is great to see all of the training being used. Chief Champion stated at last meeting he spoke of a reversible cardiac incident. He is still trying to get a recognition ceremony off the ground for this for the September meeting. He will keep the Board informed as to the status via e-mails.

The Chief stated he has four personnel items to be discussed in Executive Session.

- **Department** – There was nothing at this time.

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- **Union** – There was nothing at this time.

ABSTRACT: \$46,265.91

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Taft and SECONDED by Commissioner Ward, the Board RESOLVED to pay the bills for the end of the month of August as per the abstract for \$46,265.91. Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye, Taft– Aye.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At 7:05 PM, Commissioner Pignataro opened the meeting to public comments. There were none.

At 7:05 PM, Commissioner Pignataro closed the public comment section of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:06 PM, upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Taft and SECONDED by Commissioner Ward, the Board RESOLVED to go into Executive Session to discuss one personnel issue from Chairman Komorsky, one personnel issue from Commissioner Ward, four personnel issues from Chief Champion, one personnel item from Treasurer Pozniak, two personnel issues from Secretary Le. Pignataro – Aye, Taft – Aye, Ward – Aye. **Motion carried.**

Commissioner Sassi had arrived in person at approximately 7:45 PM.

OPEN SESSION:

At 8:34 PM, the Board resumed Open Session.

PREPARE 9/10/24 MEETING AGENDA: Secretary Le will prepare this.

As a result of the Executive Session, the following motions were made:

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Ward and SECONDED by Commissioner Taft, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Jennifer Kaiser as the permanent bookkeeper from the existing Civil Service list, effective immediately. Taft – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye, Sassi - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Ward and SECONDED by Commissioner Taft, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Anthony Champion as the Provisional Chief of the LaGrange Fire District. Taft – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Ward – Aye, Sassi - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

Chief Champion stated that September starts the meetings for the Westchester career chiefs in Peekskill on the first Thursday of every month. They will be starting up the State career chiefs' meetings starting in September as well and those will be on the third Wednesdays. He will not be attending all of the career chiefs' meetings, but he will be attending the meeting for September as it will be in Peekskill as well. Commissioner Ward asked if there was a local chiefs meeting as well. Chief Champion stated they meet in Dutchess County. It is usually Arlington, City of Poughkeepsie, BoFC Regular Meeting 8/27/24

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Fairview, and Lagrange. He stated it is a benefit to attend the Westchester meetings as they have candidates at the Westchester Academy. Chairman Komorsky asked if the chief meetings discuss technical operational issues and if so, is it something that he brings back to these operations. Chief Champion stated it is a meeting with fellow peers to help discuss problems or concerns. They do discuss some tactics that may or may not be applicable to other districts. It is a good meeting to go to. They also deal with administrative issues.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:39 upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Ward and SECONDED by Commissioner Taft, the Board RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting.
Ward – Aye, Pignataro – Aye, Taft – Aye, Sassi - Aye. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by
Julie Beyer on behalf of
Bria Le – District Secretary

Approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 9/10/24

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End Date	
July 31, 2024	

NYCLASS Investment Income Earned				
As of Date	Time	\$1M	\$5M	\$10M
Jul 01 - Jul 31	1 month	\$4,403	\$22,014	\$44,028
Feb 01 - Jul 31	6 months	\$26,293	\$131,466	\$262,931
Aug 01 - Jul 31	12 months	\$53,809	\$269,047	\$538,095

Months listed are in the years 2023-2024

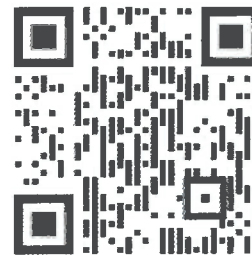
NYCLASS Daily Yields as of Month-End

Month	Year	Month-End Yield
July	2024	5.1847%
June	2024	5.2286%
May	2024	5.2214%
April	2024	5.2084%
March	2024	5.2255%
February	2024	5.2302%
January	2024	5.2614%
December	2023	5.2745%
November	2023	5.2957%
October	2023	5.2885%
September	2023	5.2502%
August	2023	5.2072%

For more information on both historical yields and annualized performance, visit

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Source: Public Trust Advisors, LLC. Data unaudited. Charts and/or values presented may not add up precisely to absolute figures due to rounding. Investment income earned values shown may reflect immaterial variance from exact statement balances due to rounding. Performance results are shown net of all fees and expenses and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Many factors affect performance including changes in market conditions and interest rates and in response to other economic, political, or financial developments. Investment involves risk including the possible loss of principal. No assurance can be given that the performance objectives of a given strategy will be achieved. NYCLASS is not a bank. An investment in NYCLASS is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Although the NYCLASS stable NAV fund(s) seek to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, NYCLASS cannot guarantee they will do so. Please review the applicable Information Statement(s) before investing. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Any financial and/or investment decision may incur losses.**

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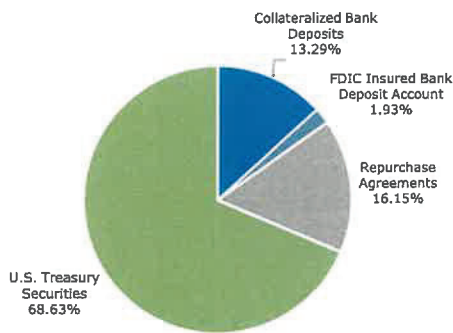
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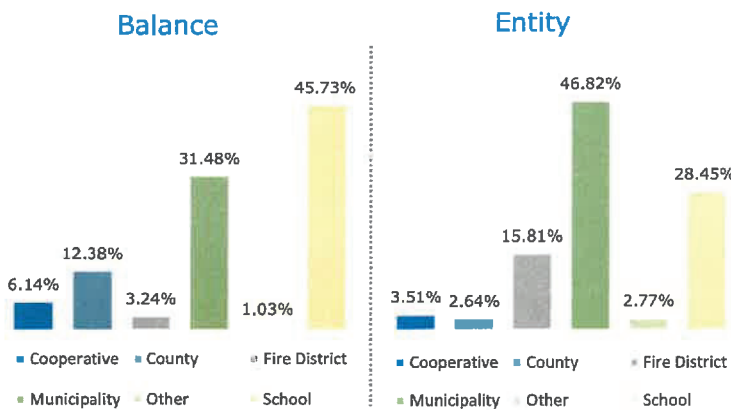
NYCLASS is a local government investment pool that allows municipal corporations, such as yours, to pool funds together to collectively earn dividends on investments. Our goal is, and has always been, to seek to provide competitive yields while adhering to all objectives of safety and liquidity. NYCLASS carries a 'AAAm' rating from S&P Global Ratings.

The NYCLASS portfolio investment strategy prioritizes minimizing market risk and enhancing safety via diversified investments. Funds of the Participants are invested in prime or high grade, short-term fixed income instruments as illustrated to the left. Investment holdings are collateralized as required by New York State General Municipal Law.

Portfolio Allocation



Participant Breakdown by Type



NYCLASS welcomes all municipal corporations without favor to one type. The Board membership represents the diversity of such entities and works to maintain a product that services the needs of all New York municipal corporations.

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As of August 1, 2024

Local Government Type	Participating Entity Names - Dutchess
City	City of Beacon City of Poughkeepsie
County	County of Dutchess
Fire	Beekman Fire District East Fishkill Fire District Hillside Lake Fire Co #3 Hopewell Hose Company, Inc. Milan Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. New Hackensack Fire District New Hamburg Engine Company #1 New Hamburg Fire District Pleasant Valley Fire District Rombout Fire Company Rombout Fire District Rombout Firemen's Benevolent Stanford Fire District Wicoppee Fire Company
School	Pawling CSD Spackenkill UFSD Wappingers CSD
Special District	Tri-Municipal Sewer Commission
Town	Town of Amenia Town of Beekman Town of Clinton Town of East Fishkill Town of Milan Town of North East Town of Pleasant Valley Town of Poughkeepsie Town of Red Hook Town of Rhinebeck Town of Stanford Town of Union Vale Town of Wappinger
Village	Village of Fishkill Village of Millbrook Village of Millerton Village of Rhinebeck Village Wappingers Falls

VENDOR	Amount Due	PO #	8/27/2024
✓ AMERICAN RED CROSS ✓	\$ ✓ 99.00	5570	Pediatric ALS course
✓ AMERITAS INS ✓	\$ ✓ 636.64	13597	Dental insurance
✓ ARLINGTON FIRE DISTRICT ✓	\$ ✓ 4,241.86	13555	Manual Outboard motor for Zodiac boat
✓ AUTOPART INTERNATIONAL ✓	\$ ✓ 220.42	13451	Battery for 47-71
✓ BOTTINI FUEL ✓	\$ ✓ 1,228.01	13551	Diesel fuel delivery on 8/16/24
CENTRAL HUDSON	\$ ✓ 1,925.23	13549	St 2 Electric, gas, & area lights
CENTRAL HUDSON	\$ ✓ 1,079.95	13561	St 3 Electric & area lights
CENTRAL HUDSON	\$ ✓ 36.20	13562	St 3 light pole
CENTRAL HUDSON	\$ ✓ 1,262.94	13571	St 1 electric & area lights
✓ CRYO WELD ✓	\$ ✓ 37.51	13522	Compressed oxygen
✓ DR JOSEPH FELICE ✓	\$ ✓ 1,250.00	13559	Professional Services for Medical Director
✓ DUTCHESS TIRE ✓	\$ ✓ 1,944.70	13553	Tires for 47-11
✓ DUTCHESS TIRE ✓	\$ ✓ 150.00	13552	Service call for nail in tire on 47-11
✓ FREIHOFFER ICE & SPRINGWATER ✓	\$ ✓ 90.00	2024-BL	St 2 water cooler deliveries
✓ FREIHOFFER ICE & SPRINGWATER ✓	\$ ✓ 81.00	2024-BL	St 1 water cooler deliveries
✓ HAUN WELDING ✓	\$ ✓ 6.10	13521	Small medical cylinder rental,
✓ HENDRICKSON ✓	\$ ✓ 7,890.33	13458	Repairs on 47-12
✓ JULIE BEYER ✓	\$ ✓ 180.00	2024-BL	8/13/24 minutes
✓ KNOX COMPANY ✓	\$ ✓ 3,603.00	13462	5 yr cloud license for Knox Connect
✓ LB LANDSCAPING ✓	\$ ✓ 280.00	13548	St 3 lawn maintenance 7/31 & 8/7
✓ LB LANDSCAPING ✓	\$ ✓ 280.00	13573	St 3 lawn maintenance 8/14 & 8/20
✓ MASS MUTUAL LIFE INS. ✓ <i>to Bria</i>	\$ ✓ 786.50	13574	Career staff whole life policy annual premium
✓ MASS MUTUAL LIFE INS. ✓	\$ ✓ 259.75	13556	Career Staff whole life policy annual premium
✓ MASS MUTUAL LIFE INS. ✓	\$ ✓ 259.75	13568	Career Staff whole life policy annual premium
✓ MEDICAL WAREHOUSE ✓	\$ ✓ 694.20	5569	Medical supplies
✓ MEDICAL WAREHOUSE ✓	\$ ✓ 250.50	2024AC	Medical supplies
✓ MEDICAL WAREHOUSE ✓	\$ ✓ 1,707.50	2024AC	Medical supplies
✓ MEDICAL WAREHOUSE * <i>No vouchers, no chks</i>	\$ <u>1,407.53</u>	5513	Medical supplies MES
✓ OPTIMUM ✓	\$ ✓ 192.43	13563	St 2 internet service
✓ PREMIER FIRE APPARATUS ✓	\$ ✓ 565.85	13503	Parts for 47-11 & 47-12
✓ PYRAMID FILMS CORP ✓	\$ ✓ 223.71	13547	HSI BLS Print certification sheets
✓ SHI INTERNATIONAL ✓	\$ ✓ 12,473.16	13506	Microsoft Licensing
✓ STERICYCLE, INC ✓	\$ ✓ 142.14	13558	Biohazard/SHARPS disposal service
✓ TEK MEDICAL ✓	\$ ✓ 596.00	13566	Annual Member Physical exam
✓ VERIZON ✓	\$ ✓ 35.00	13557	Lifepak Modem phone lines
✓ VERIZON ✓	\$ 149.00	13564	FIOS internet service
TOTAL SUBMITTED	\$ 46,265.91		Commissioner Signatures:
<i>changes listed:</i>			<i>Reed</i> 8/27/2024
			<i>Andrew</i> 8/27/24
			<i>DHW</i> 8/27/24
TOTAL APPROVED	\$ 46,265.91		
KEY:			
pre-paid			
Paid			