

**HIGHLAND FIRE DISTRICT
Board of Fire Commissioners
Regular Meeting
AGENDA
August 11, 2026 @ 7PM – 25 Milton Avenue, Highland**

1. **Opening of Meeting** – Meeting called to order, Salute to Flag and a moment of silence.
2. **Executive Session** - Commissioner Anzalone requests executive session to discuss a Personnel matter to discuss, the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation;
3. **Presentation of 2027 Proposed Budget**
4. **Approval of Minutes** –
July 14, 2026 – Regular Meeting
5. **Authorization to pay bills** - as reviewed on Monday, August 10, 2026, by Commissioners Anzalone, Barone & Chief DiMetro
6. **Correspondence:**
 - Red Cross Blood drive is Friday, August 14, 2026, from 12 noon – 5PM
 - Letter from Kornfeld, Rew, Newman & Simeone – Rates for 2027
 - A fuel card was requested and received for 31-68

Room Requests: (All dates are reserved on the calendar until approved by the BoFC)

7. **New Members:** John Halstead – member status change

8. **Committee Reports:**

Building & Grounds, St #1 – Commissioners Barone and Long

V-Fire Grant Project update (Rizzo)

Mailbox installation

Landscaping estimates for monument

IT Report: Technology Upgrade Project – Commissioner Rizzo & Long

Building & Grounds, St #2 – Commissioner Rizzo and Anzalone

9. **Recruiting & Retention:** Commissioner Rizzo and Anzalone

10. **Insurance/Worker's Compensation:** Commissioners Barone and Hansut

11. **Service Awards:** Next update November 10, 2026

12. **Ulster County Association of Fire Districts:**

Next meeting: September 17, 2026 – Port Ewen FD

13. **Treasurer's Report:**

July 2026, Financial report

14. **Chief's Report:**

15. **Old Business:**

HFD Website update

Fiber Optic – Installed cable with Elevated Computing on 8/4/26

31-45 – Auto Sow

MCS update

Estimate from MCS – New Router for St #1

Capital Project Update – Commissioners Barone and Anzalone

16. New Business:

The board requests for anyone requesting Executive session for the agenda, submit a request to Secretary Leslie Benson prior to the first Thursday of the month.

Travel Policy

17. Liaison to Town: Supervisor Stuart Weiss**18. Public Comment:**

Any topic may be addressed except for personnel or specific Board Member issues.

The Highland Fire District board encourages public participation at its meetings. To allow for efficiency in conducting meetings and to give each speaker a fair opportunity to present their views, the following shall apply to the public speaking portion of the agenda.

- Each Speaker shall state their name;
- Each Speaker shall be limited to a time (approximately 3 minutes) which is agreed upon by the Board;
- The Board will not permit discussion involving individual personnel.
- Direct all remarks to the chair. Community members may not poll individual Board Members nor debate with other community members in attendance.

Once again, members of the community are encouraged to attend and speak during public comments. Undue interruption or other interference with the orderly conduct of the Board of business will not be allowed. Defamatory or abusive remarks are always out of order. While individuals have the right to email the District Secretary with questions or concerns at any time, the Board will not read emails aloud during the public participation portion of the meeting.

Comments:

19. **Executive Session:** (If any) –

Motion for executive session:

20. **Adjournment:**

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