

**GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP
EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
January 14, 2026**

Present: Kathy Fordyce, Sue Church, John DePuy, Jan Bauer, Chad Dykgraaf, Linda Ihme, Bob Price

Absent: Eric Dubord

Glen Arbor Township representatives:

Staff Members: Angelika Diehl, Nate Perdue, Chad Showers

Public: None

The meeting was opened at 10:01 am

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Review and approval of agenda

DePuy motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Ihme. Motion approved.

III. Conflict of Interest

None

IV. Public comment

None

V. Review and approval of December 10, 2025 minutes

DePuy motioned to approve the December 10, 2025 minutes. Seconded by Church. Motion passed.

VI. Review of Monthly Check List (start with check #16570) and Payroll for December

A motion was made by Ihme seconded by Church to recommend payment of unpaid checks and the payroll to the Glen Arbor Township Board, and to report concurrence with the checks that were necessary to pay early. Motion approved.

VII. Review of Revenue & Expense Report and Balance Sheet for December

DePuy asked who took ACLS/PALS instructors' class and Dykgraaf said it was Jared Ornelas and Jake Ruth.

VIII. Staffing Report

a. Introduce staff

Angelika Diehl, Nate Perdue, Chad Showers

b. General staffing status report

None.

c. Exit interview results, if any.

None

d. Review of GLFD monthly Staff and Officer Minutes

Minutes were made available for review.

IX. Operations Report

There were 51 calls for December, an uptick in call volume due to a wind event and severe weather. They finished up 2025 with 639 calls total. Aaron Brown celebrated 17 years of service, Jeff Hester completed his 6th year with GLFD. Dykgraaf reported on the ACLS/PALS training refreshers have been complete. In addition apparatus repairs, fire extinguisher certifications, and the installation of lights on the new command vehicle have all been completed. They are still working on contract negotiations between the department and the union. The department should soon see new revenue from fire billing. Also, the department received a 50% DNR grant for new fire shelters.

X. Old Business

a. Water Supply in Empire

Fordyce reported that everything we have access to is seasonal. She spoke with Elmers about their pit on Baatz Rd, but in winter they do not plow it. The next closest to us is Casey Noonan's place which has a well, but it's a 2" well, which means it would take a very long time to fill a tank. She thinks we need to look at whole picture and wants Chief and Captain involved in the discussions.

b. Chief Update

Dykgraaf provided an update.

XI. New Business

a. None

XII. Board Member Comments

DePuy commended the firefighters involved in the triple fire on Co. Rd. 675. He said it was amazing to see everyone working together.

XIII. Public Comment

None

XIV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.

NEXT MEETING: February 11, 2026

Minutes prepared by
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