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# ANNUAL REPORT

2024



**EASTCHESTER  
FIRE DISTRICT**

— NEW YORK —

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## BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS



### 2024 FIRE ELECTION RESULTS

Luke Yankowski: **398 VOTES**

Anthony Fiore, Jr.: **103 VOTES**

Kenneth S. Simonides: **76 VOTES**

### 2024 FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Paul Carlo (Term: 2024 to 2028)

Paul Ranellone (Term: 2021 to 2025)

Brian E. Keating (Term: 2020 to 2024)

Anthony Lore (Term: 2022 to 2026)

Tony Cerasi (Term: 2023 to 2027)

These Commissioners are elected by the qualified voters of the fire district at the annual election held on the second Tuesday of December each year. Each Commissioner is elected for a five-year term commencing on the 1st of January following the election. One Commissioner is elected each year so that there will always be experienced Commissioners on the board. Fire District Commissioners receive no compensation.

The Board of Fire Commissioners manages the fiscal and budgetary requirements of the Fire District, personnel matters including hiring and promotions, the coordination of information systems, as well as the oversight of operational policies and procedures. Town Law Section 176 outlines the responsibilities of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Visit [EastchesterNYFD.gov](http://EastchesterNYFD.gov) for more details on our elections.



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

During 2024, I am pleased to report several significant accomplishments and operational updates for the Eastchester Fire District. Our annual incident activity has been above average, with responses to 4,213 calls, including 2,179 EMS/Rescue calls, 76 fire incidents, and 1,075 residential/commercial alarms.

We repaired the lower section of the North End firehouse roof and completed a three year rehabilitation project at the Chester Heights firehouse, which included replacing the roof, brick repointing, window replacement, basement ground water containment system, apparatus floor replacement, front apron replacement, water main replacement, oil tank removal, new heating and cooling systems and ADA upgrades, enhancing the safety and functionality of our facilities.



We celebrated the retirements of Captain Bruce Calby, Firefighter Billy Wiegelman, Firefighter James Rockhill, Lieutenant Quinton Baker, and Firefighter Sean McGee, who collectively dedicated over 168 years of service. Their contributions have left a lasting impact, and we wish them all long and healthy retirements. Additionally, eight probationary firefighters graduated from the Career Fire Academy bringing fresh energy and commitment to our mission. Permanent staffing increased by one position 24 hours a day, seven days a week by adding a second firefighter, in addition to the previous staffing of one lieutenant and one firefighter on Engine 27.

We have optimized our resources to ensure operational readiness. Some of our vehicles and equipment maintenance are efficiently managed in-house by our part-time mechanic, Hank Henninger. The new Tower Ladder 17 was placed into service, replacing a 21 year old American LaFrance tower ladder, which is now the reserved ladder truck, further enhancing our emergency response capabilities. We have also acquired a Bauer OXY-1S oxygen containment fill station. These updates are vital to maintaining a high standard of preparedness and efficiency. We remain committed to providing exemplary service to the residents.

Sincerely,

Brian Tween  
Fire Chief

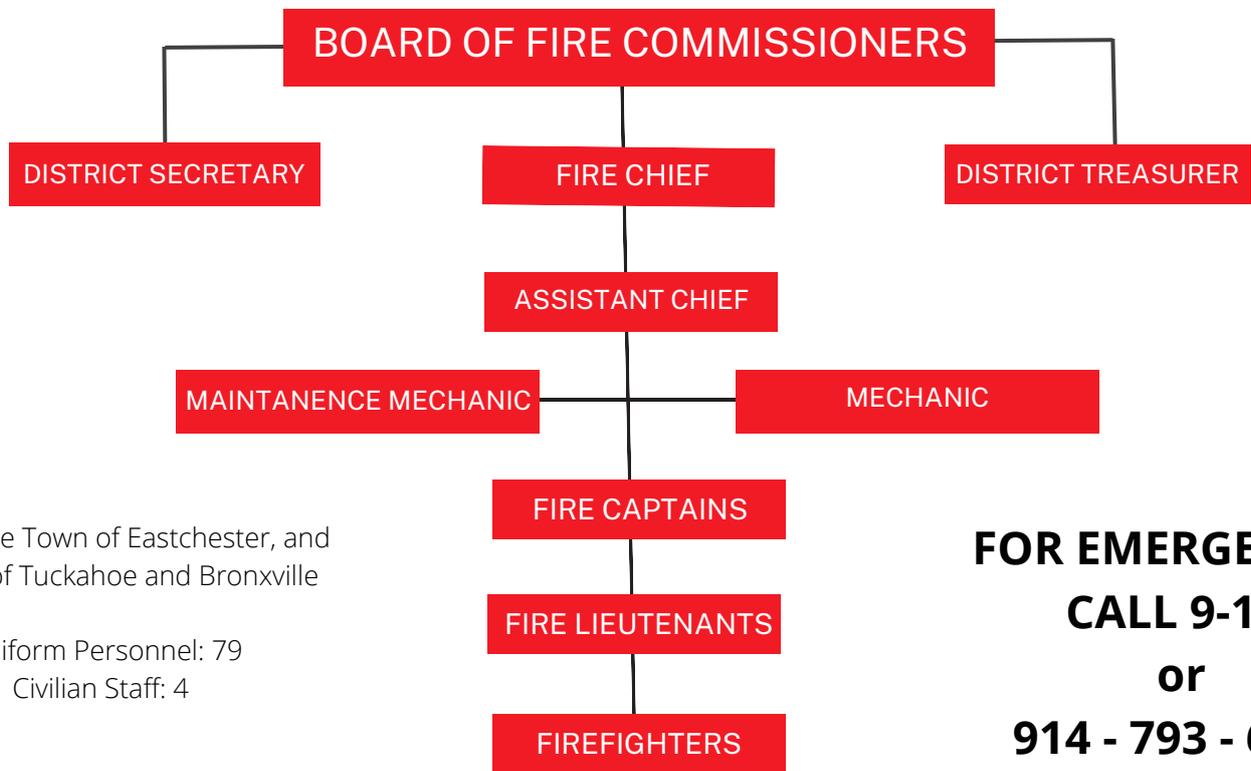


# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



## Eastchester Fire District

### Organizational Chart



Serving the Town of Eastchester, and Villages of Tuckahoe and Bronxville

Uniform Personnel: 79  
Civilian Staff: 4

**FOR EMERGENCIES  
CALL 9-1-1  
or  
914 - 793 - 6400**

2024

**PROMOTIONS/ RETIREMENTS/ NEW HIRES**

**PROMOTIONS**



- FF Joseph Lucente - Fire Lieutenant
- FF Paul Kiendl - Fire Lieutenant
- FF John Pinto - Fire Lieutenant
- Lt. John O’Leary - Fire Captain
- Lt. David Stupple - Fire Captain

**RETIREMENTS**



- FF Sean McGee #175 - 21 Years of Service
- Lt. Quinton Baker #136 - 43 Years of Service
- FF James Rockhill #135 - 39 Years of Service
- FF Billy Weigelman #132 - 37 Years of Service
- Capt. Bruce Calby #151 - 28 Years of Service
- Capt. Victor Tomasini #139 - 32 Years of Service

**NEW HIRES**



- FF Stefano Gizzo
- FF Eva Russo
- FF Stephen Lawlor
- FF Daniel Belles
- FF Jack Seminara
- FF Giancarlo Rogliano
- FF Brian Baker
- FF Paul Dombek



## CALL LOG OVERVIEW: 2024

**FIRE**

**76**

**RUPTURE/EXPLOSION**

**2**

**EMS / RESCUE**

**2,179**

**HAZARDOUS CONDITION**

**276**

**SERVICE CALL**

**394**

**GOOD INTENT / OTHER**

**211**

**RESIDENTIAL / COMMERCIAL ALARM**

**1,075**

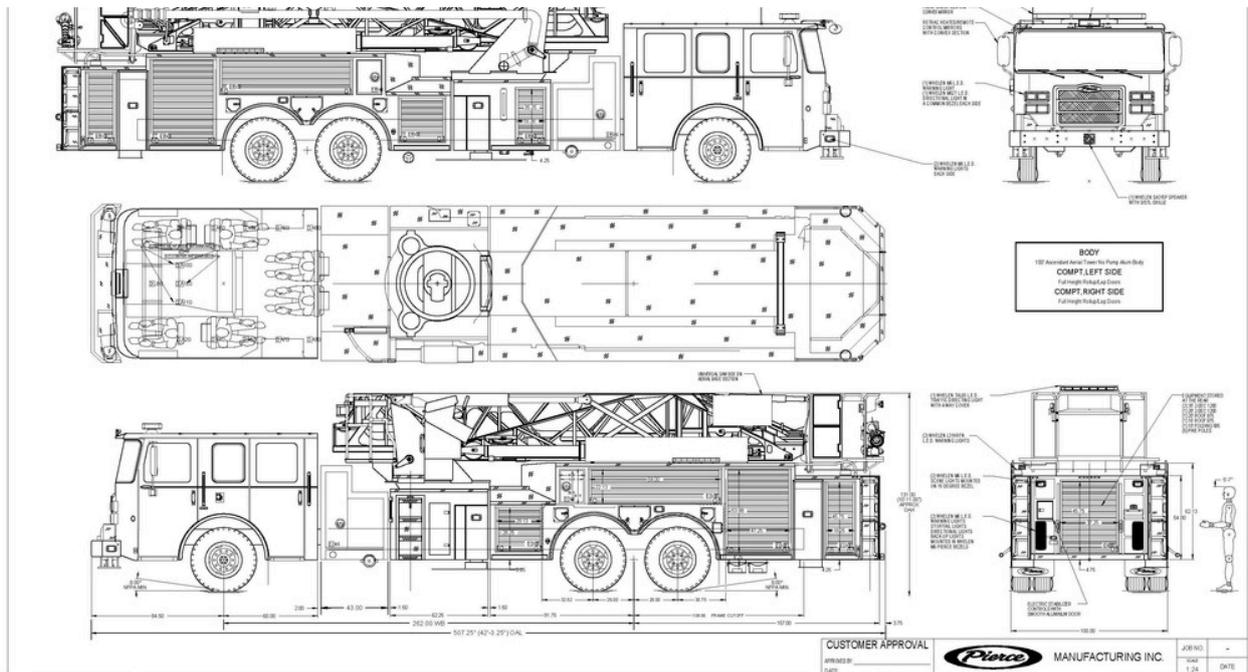
**TOTAL 2024 INCIDENT CALLS:**

**4,213**



# APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

The new Pierce TL-17 was delivered in March 2024 and the factory in-service training was conducted for the four groups on the new tower ladder.





## ANNUAL TRAINING

### EXAMPLES:

- ESS Bail out practical / annual refresher
- Ladder Company Operations / Equipment
- Utility Hazards
- Emergency Vehicle Operators Course - Operator
- Hazardous Materials
- Special Rescue - Ice, Water, Building Collapse
- Roof Rope Rescue Procedure
- METRO-NORTH Passenger Train Emergency
- EMT - Continuing Medical Education
- Accident Victim Extrication Techniques



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

- St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Memorial Day Parade
- Columbus Day Parade
- 9/11 Mobile Museum
- October Halloween Events
- Toys for Tots
- Gelt Drop
- Tree Lighting Ceremonies



## CAPTAIN PHILIP A. PINTO, JR.



October 8, 2024:

Captain Philip A. Pinto Jr. was honored at the New York State Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Albany.

\*The 27th Annual Fallen Firefighters Memorial was held at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, NY, honoring thirty-two firefighters who gave their lives in the line of duty.\*



October 20th, 2024:

Captain Philip A. Pinto Jr.'s name was added to the Westchester Fallen Firefighters Memorial during a ceremony at the Westchester County Department of Emergency Services building in Valhalla.

Captain Pinto's passing in 2022 was recognized by the Westchester County Department of Emergency Services as a 9/11 Line of Duty death, and his name has joined two other members of the Eastchester Fire District whose names are also on the memorial, Fire Chief William H. Dempsey Jr., and Firefighter Frederick Fink.





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## CONTACT US

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