

# NVFD MONTHLY MEETING

## JANUARY 6, 2003

1. **Secretary's Report:** Accepted as posted.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Not available.
3. **LCD Report:**
  - LCD has not met since our last meeting.
  - Simulcast is scheduled to begin this month. An informational meeting regarding simulcast is scheduled for 1/8/03 @ 7PM at Wamogo High School.
4. **Chief's Report:**
  - The new furnace has been installed.
  - Canaan's ladder truck is now in service.
  - Budget items should be forwarded to any officer.
  - Members were reminded to keep the firehouse clean.
  - Members were warned not to speed when responding to the firehouse.
  - A motion was unanimously passed to approve the chief to begin exploratory measures regarding the DEP matching funds grant for the up grading and addition of dry hydrants.
  - An office chair for use with the computer and a 4-drawer fire rated locking file cabinet was approved for purchase.
5. **Warden's Report:**
  - The fittings for Colebrook's dry hydrants are in.
  - 3 storage boxes for SCBA @ \$100 were approved for purchase.
  - The fire extinguishers are back in service.
6. **Training Officer's Report:**
  - The current training schedule was distributed to the attending members and will be posted at the firehouse.
  - A work detail to shovel out hydrants is scheduled for Saturday, 1/11/03 @ 10AM.
7. **Mechanic's Report:**
  - The tanker's front wheel seals are still leaking oil. Solutions to this on-going problem are being investigated.
8. **Fire Police Report:**
  - No report.

## **9. Explorer's Report:**

- Explorer Day info to be posted.

## **10. Centennial Committee Report:**

- Surplus NVFD mugs were distributed to the attending members.
- A \$9000 balance exists in the committee's operational budget.
- A motion recommending the division of the balance (as follows) was defeated by the attending membership. \$1000 start-up back to the fire department, \$500 to the Historical Society, \$2000 gift to the Ladies Auxiliary, \$2500 to the Road Race scholarship and the remainder for the purchase of kitchen appliances for the fire house.
- A motion to dissolve the committee and deposit the surplus in its entirety into a fire department account was approved by a tie-breaking vote from President Ludwig. No immediate plans for these funds were discussed.
- The committee members were thanked for their efforts and complimented on the successful celebration.

## **11. Old Business:**

The following committee meeting dates will be posted.

### **Building Committee Report:**

- Work with the ambulance committee continues.
- Investigation of grants continues.

### **Truck Committee Report:**

- Specifications will be prepared for membership review.

### **Incentive Committee Report:**

- The committee will pursue a stipend-based program.

### **By-Laws Committee Report:**

- Approximately half of the bylaws have been addressed.
- No sweeping changes made, language is being edited.
- All members are invited to attend committee meetings and make suggestions prior to the presentation to the department.

## **Other Old Business:**

- Breakfast with Santa was successful, special thanks to Todd Miller for his efforts.
- The Santa delivery fundraiser was successful and resulted in \$450. Thanks to all who participated.
- Grants for the acquisition of a GPS and an AED are being reviewed by the State.

## **12. New Business:**

- An invitation for Farmington's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary parade was announced.
- The Connecticut Parade Marshall fee is due.
- A letter from the Torrington Area Health department regarding small pox was discussed.

- A firefighting grant-writing workshop is available. See Ken for details.
- A brief discussion regarding HAZ/MAT decontamination was entertained.
- Recent donations were announced and will be forwarded to the treasurer.
- The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling Super Bowl Italian grinders as a fundraiser.
- Ken's building ideas are detailed in a set of plans and are available for review.
- The shop vac is in need of filters.
- An EMT-B course and a CPR/AED course will be held in Norfolk in the near future. Details to be announced.
- Members were reminded that all apparatus should be rinsed clean after each use.
- A discussion regarding inappropriate and unprofessional radio communications was entertained.
- Norfolk Ambulance personnel are invited to ride in fire apparatus when responding to calls when the ambulance is not available.

A motion to adjourn was approved at 8:54.

Minutes were recorded and submitted by Paul Padua