

NVFD Monthly Business Meeting

July 11, 2005

Called to order @7:30 with Arthur Rosenblatt presiding.

Pre-Meeting Agenda:

- Ron Zanobi awarded the William F. Kelley Memorial Scholarships to the 4 Recipients. The recipients were: Emily Bruey, Brian Lasko, Jae Wignall, and Daniel Gollan.
- The Clinical Coordinator from Occupational Medicine came to the meeting to give the Dept. an overview of what our annual physical will entail and to answer any concerns we may have. She left copies of the medical forms (2 Forms) that need to be completed and brought with you to your examination. The physicals are scheduled for Monday August 15 and Monday August 22 starting @5:00. Daryl will be posting a sign up sheet and also contacting members not at the meeting. Anyone needing a CDL physical can get it done at this time, just the inform the staff when you go.

Secretary's Report:

- June's Business Meeting minutes were accepted as posted and emailed.

Treasurer's Report:

Accepted as presented. It has been brought to the Treasurer's attention that the Bank is going to start charging the Dept. \$5.00 per month service charge for any accounts that we have that are inactive.

Ladies Auxiliary:

- No report

Correspondence:

- The first installment and an accompanying letter were received from AKC.
- An application for Fire Police was submitted by Paul Alexson for consideration. It has been posted for the month, to be acted on at the August meeting.
- Bill Millard has been appointed by the Selectman for the position of Fire Police.

LCD:

- LCD will no longer be paying for EMT certification for their dispatchers.
- Chief Dispatcher Jeff Jasmine has resigned. Also Brian Morizzi has resigned from fulltime dispatcher to part time dispatcher.
- LCD has found a surplus of \$22,000 in their budget that will cover the rental fee for the offsite admin space.
- NWCOG has established a 5 member Employee Committee to handle all aspects of employee issues.

Chief:

- The Chief thanked everyone for their response at all the recent calls.
- . The Chief also thanked everyone that participated in the Tanker Shuttle practice@ Sheffield
- Canaan Fire works are scheduled for 7/30 @ 7pm. We will be performing our normal standby routine. Everyone bring a dish and lawn chairs if you wish. E-30 and U-50 will be leaving the firehouse @6:30pm.
- There has been noticeable deficiencies in our Dress Uniforms at the last few parades, and the Chief will be contacting the Uniform Committee to see if the problem can be corrected quickly.
- There is a **Major** need to clean up our firehouse. A date and time of **Saturday July 23@9:00am** was agreed upon. **ALL members are strongly urged to attend.**
- The FIT test unit is now in service. Our time frame for use will be Oct-Nov due to other depts. Being farther behind than us.
- A motion was approved to appropriate \$202 for piping to put the first dry hydrant in at Kelly Swamp.
- Our budget has passed and now is in effect with the new fiscal year.

Wardens:

- The wardens requested the purchase of 12 pairs of work gloves, 5 new Helmets, and 5 sets of upgraded suspenders for the turnout gear purchased last year. They were informed that there is a line item in the budget for these if prices can be researched.
- An insurance claim needs to be submitted for a pager that was lost during a recent practice.

Training Officer:

- Driver CDL training is to begin July 20
- Matt Ludwig has posted a signup list for assistance with the annual Pump Test.
- Hose Testing is to begin soon.

Mechanics:

- A battery charger will be installed on the brush truck this month.
- Boomer has installed a Drop cord for the battery charger.
- Engine 90 has no rear lights at this time

Fire Police:

- Nothing to report.

Explorers:

- All Explorers now have Turnout Gear.
- The Explorers are requesting some sort of pager system.
- The Explorers earned \$176 on their carwash on June 18.

Old Business:

- The Dept. will be standing by for North Canaan on July 30, starting @7:00pm for the fireworks. E-30 and U50 will be leaving the firehouse @6:30.
- The CDL class will begin this August. Interested members should see Jody by the 3rd week in July.
- Physicals are scheduled for August 15 or 22. Members not receiving physicals on those dates must make their own arrangements.

Building Committee: Nothing new to report on their committee, however there will be a machine vote at the Town Hall on 7/26 from 12:00-8:00pm to rescind the vote made on 6/21 Special Town Meeting for the Botelle School Window Bonding Project.

Truck Committee: The next meeting is scheduled for July 27.

By-laws Committee: No official meetings last month. There has been an amendment approved by the membership and posted to Article VII Section 8 of the By-laws pertaining to the Annual Physical Exams.

- All NVFD Active A,B,C,D, Associate and Fire Police members shall have, or submit proof, of an annual physical examination by August 1. **This has been changed to read:** All NVFD Active A,B,C,D, Associate and Fire Police members shall have, or submit proof, of an annual physical examination prior to the annual meeting.

Insurance Committee: No report.

Nominations Committee: Sandy & Alex have been appointed as the nominating committee. At the council meeting on 6/14, the council reviewed the membership classifications and discussed a process to ensure that members will only be able to nominate and vote for the positions that they are eligible to.

New Business:

- We have quotes for airbags from Firematic, however they will not be compatible with our mutual aid departments. Daryl is going to attempt to get quotes from Darley and get back to membership at the next meeting.
- A motion was approved to appropriate \$186.88 for Matt Ludwig to do a canvas mailing to all town residents for the 911 number signs. This will be to thank the people that have purchased them and to ask the people that haven't to consider doing so.
- The Ladies Auxiliary is planning the NVFD Family Day for August 13.
- 2 New Air packs have been put into service on E-30.
- The fuel gauge on the diesel fuel tank is not working.

Adjourned: 9:09 pm

Minutes recorded and submitted by Rob Bottum

