

NVFD Monthly Business Meeting

October 2, 2006

Called to order @7:30

Secretary's Report:

- September's Business Meeting minutes accepted as emailed.

Treasurer's Report:

- Accepted as presented.

LCD:

- A contract settlement has been reached and is awaiting the signatures of all concerned parties.
- A discussion regarding the number of dispatchers, legal fees, and other current LCD issues was entertained.

Chief:

1. Thanks to all who attending NIMS training and SCBA fit testing.
2. Survivar RIT packs in service on E30 and E60.
3. Received 2700 ft of 4-inch hose from Sheffield Fire Department Thanks to all who went to Sheffield to pick it up. We will be testing it and placing it in service on Monday Oct 9th @ 9 am. Lunch will be provided. Sandy?
4. Thanks to those who attended the Live Burn drills in Winsted on the 17th and 1st.
5. Jeff attended the NW zone meeting on the 26th the area fit tester is back in service. No bill as of yet for its repair. Sharon Fire is training with the Decontamination trailer they will begin area department training some time in the future.
6. The Ambulance applied for the Commercial equipment grant a single source from the town was a better option. Funding appears to be available from emergency management so the grant award is pending.
7. I have Blue light permits for anyone who needs one.
8. CIRMA insurance no update. No committee as of yet.
9. E30 was serviced on 9/12 had pump test and exhaust repaired. It was out of service for four days. Thank you to Richard and Jim who did the driving back and forth from Milford.
10. Two pager chargers were ordered.
11. Council officers meeting on Oct 19th 7pm all are welcome to attend NLCA has been asked to attend.
12. Halloween is Oct 31st @ 5 pm Help will be needed for traffic control and at the town hall. The explorer post has been asked to help with activities for children along with the ambulance and Congregational church.
13. Fire prevention trailer will be at the school on Friday 6th help is needed from 9-1pm. Fire prevention materials will be handed out by Robin Denny.
14. The Farmers market used our firehouse for rest rooms on the 23rd. Thanks to Sandy and Jeff of assisting the organizers.
15. Next NW zone meeting is the 24th in Lakeville at 730pm

16. Next Winsted area chiefs' meeting is on the 18th in Torrington at 7pm.
17. Awaiting the okay from the selectman to burn the barn at the school. The asbestos check is back from TAHD.
18. A request for dates in May of 2007 for permission to hold a Car Show fundraiser in the center of town was sent to the selectman office. A committee needs to meet to organize it and the raffle.
19. A thank you for the air pack donation was sent to Falls Village Fire Department.
20. A thank you for the 2700 ft of Four-inch hose was sent to Sheffield fire department.

Wardens:

- Several extinguishers will be serviced this month. Miscellaneous patches, helmet rockers, etc. have been ordered.

Training Officer:

- NIMS IS700 is scheduled for 10/23 @6:30
- Draft relay pumping is scheduled for 10/16 @6:30
- LDH hose test and jet flow strainer demo is scheduled for 10/9 @9AM
- The Bantam Fire Department will be hosting a Firefighter Safety course scheduled for 10/21 from 9-1. See Matt if interested.

Mechanics:

- The altered drive shaft will be installed this week, with an estimate for project completion in 2 weeks.
- The top, rear bar on Engine 90's hose bed is to be removed to allow for more LDH to be packed.

Fire Police:

- No report

Explorers:

- A new Assistant Chief, Bri, was elected replacing Matt who has recently graduated to adult member status.
- Fundraisers continue including 911 street signs and the bottle/cans collection.
- The Search & Rescue drill is still scheduled for November.

Committee Reports:

- **Building Committee:** Wetlands issues are being studied regarding firehouse property.
- **Truck Committee:**
 - The committee recently met with a salesman representing HME, Smeal, Spartan.

- A representative from American LaFrance will meet with the committee on 10/11.
 - The new apparatus specifications need to be revisited to meet new NFPA standards.
 - A Waterous representative recently demonstrated their CAF & Inductor foam systems.
- **Insurance Committee:** Committee members are needed to review existing and future policies and/or coverage. Interested members should see the Chief.

Correspondence:

- A thank you donation was received from the Hattems.
- 2 thank you notes from Road Race scholarship recipients were read.
- The NVFD anticipates a donation from the Battisoni estate settlement.
- Danbury Volunteer Fire Council is seeking support to change the firefighter job description as defined by state statute. A survey will be completed and returned by the President.
- Governor Rell has proclaimed 9/14 as first responder day.

Old Business:

- A motion to accept the NVFD By-laws change proposal as presented at last month's meeting regarding fee based training (Section 3.3) was supported by better than a 2/3 vote.
- A motion to accept the NVFD By-laws change proposal as presented at last month's meeting regarding Fire Police (Section 1.1.5) was not supported by a 2/3 vote of the attending membership.

New Business:

- The House Committee is seeking kitchen inventory suggestions. Please see Sandy with your ideas. Other house issues discussed included alerting Sandy when you borrow an item from the firehouse and general cleanup after activities.
- A motion to purchase an 18 volt Hitachi cordless tool set including a reciprocating saw, flashlight, circular saw, and drill for \$299 from Lindell's passed. Lindell's will also be donating a duplicate set to the NVFD.
- A motion to replace the damaged house extension ladder with a heavy duty Little Giant 19' ladder for \$455 was passed.
- The Karaoke fundraiser is scheduled for 11/18. Further details to be announced.
- A discussion regarding monthly meeting dinners was entertained. No action was taken.

Meeting Adjourned @ 9:15

Minutes recorded and submitted by: Paul Padua