

NVFD Meeting
March 3, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:33 by President Rowland Denny

M/S/P to approve the minutes, correction of price of ATV was too high, should be \$10,700. Also the year was wrong, should be 2008. Passed unanimously as corrected

Treasurers Report

Received in donations - \$1,325.00
Balance in checkbook - \$6,478.12
ATV fund - \$6,517.00
Appeal letter - \$18,175.00
Truck CD - \$93,499.00
In truck fund check book - \$5,140.00
Town Expense, have used 63 percent of budget

M/S/P to approve Treasurer's Report. Passed unanimously

LCD – None

Chief's Report

Update from Am LaFrance – delivery schedule to be released by 2/25, working through terms and lead times with vendors and will generate a schedule.

Daryl and Jim reviewed budget proposal and they reduced the proposed budget from \$89,000.00 to \$82,000.00 Looking at a 13% increase

M/S/P - \$82,100. To be presented to the board of finance as a budget request which is 13% above last year. There is a line item for new equipment for the new truck that is being left in, if the new truck does arrive. Discussed whether to delete this line item, given the status of the new truck, but it was decided to leave it in, and money will only be spent on new truck. Insurance costs have also gone up. Lowered the ince, which is the figure spent for the last 2 years. Motion passed, 1 against, 1 abstention

New laptops have been purchased along with software.

New forms are out for EMT's to use to determine whether a firefighter's vitals are within standards to continue fighting the fire or take a break.

Rope rescues course is filling fast, outside departments are signing up
Deadline for incentive forms is March 7; fill out ASAP if you wish to be part of it
Contacted by Dept. Of Emergency Management Homeland Security, to be part of regional response, equipment will be housed in big trailer; will allow us to keep in contact with other departments

Line officers reviewed membership, only 1 member has not met 6-month requirements
Explorers requested extension of hours for 16 and 17 year olds
Did not receive a grant for air packs, possible reasons are our existing budget and not enough calls.

Demonstration on March 10 by Survive Air, will be able to purchase at reduced cost, trying to get up to high pressure system,

Fire Police class on March 16 for 20 people to be held here

June 9, Litchfield chiefs meeting held here

Completed all nfirs - reporting to state of ct, 144 incidents for year

Drakeville approved mutual aid

NVFD Seatbelt pledge to read and sign has been posted, all are encouraged to sign and adhere to it

Driver safety course April 17 at Regional #1 High School, all drivers encouraged to attend

Daryl completed online course for explorer post advisor, encourages all advisors to take the course, can be found at www.learningforlife.com

\$365 tax benefit will be offered by state starting next year, look for tax relief.

Wardens

In process of cleaning gear, taking it down to Canaan

New extension cord on engine 30 for lights

Sea-foam – put into diesel for small equipment

Training

March 10 – air pack demos, also fit testing

March 18 – Rope rescue organizational

March 17 – RIT guys going to New York with Lakeville, also Driver training

March 6 – Pentac gear demo in New Hartford

March 16 – traffic safety class held here

March 26 – officers meeting

March 10 and 23 for blood borne pathogens in Winsted

Last Sunday of month – cold water training

March 20 and 27 - Nims 100 & 700 at Kent Firehouse taught by Jon Barbagallo

Mechanics – None

Fire Police – None

Explorers

By-law change for Explorers

M/S/P that curfew for all members attending classes, training and drills is 9:30 pm
Explorers under the age of 16 are unable to respond to incidents before 6 am or after 7 pm and remain on scene no later than 10 pm. Upon written consent from a parent or legal guardian, Explorers over the age of 16 may respond to calls after 6am and remain on

scene until 12 am.(midnight) Passed Unanimously

They will do a food booth for the Town Anniversary Block Party August 1, hot dogs, hamburgers, and soda

They have been approved by the Boy Scouts to attend Ropes rescue class, they are discussing costs

Explorers are not allowed to put on breathing apparatus at any time, even in training

Correspondence

Received a memorial to 911, a piece of trade center, to honor those who lost their lives

Received a letter from 250 committee thanking us for our donation

Old Business

Richard taking photos for ID cards, need everyone's cooperation to have photos taken

Building Committee – Got the approval from P&Z, looks like June 1 will be ground breaking for ambulance building

Insurance, House, ATV Committees – no report

M/S to remove the cap on the fund raising for the new fire truck and to continue to the fund raising as specified in 'request for funding of February 7, 2004' and the '2nd Request for funding of November 13, 2004' until delivery of the new truck. Motion failed, 1 voting yes

M/S/P to move the question - Motion Passed, 1 voting against

By-laws change request posted last month: Any member not meeting department minimums after a period of two (2) years shall be removed from the NVFD roster. No action taken, will be reposted for next month.

New Business

Road race – Ron Z. will get names to Matt L. to mail out forms, Daryl will do PR, and Explorers will do food again

250th celebration will take place on Aug 1 & 2, request NVFD participation especially for fireworks

ATV committee wants to have a raffle with drawing on August 1, before the town fireworks

M/S/P to loan approx. \$3,000.00 to ATV committee, pending trustee approval, to purchase raffle item prizes. Passed Unanimously Tickets to go on sale for \$1.00 each.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm

Judy Ludwig
Temporary Secretary