

Stratfield Volunteer Fire Department
Monthly Meeting Minutes
June 5th, 2007

Opening Notes

President Mike Farkas called the meeting to order at 2035 hours with twenty one members in attendance, beginning with the salute to the flag and a moment of silence for Waterbury Fire Department Captain John Keane and the member of the Boston Fire Department.

Previous Month's Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by **Angus Maciver** to waive the reading of last month's minutes. The motion was seconded by **Jeff DeSiero** and passed unanimously with no abstentions.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Elaine Riebling read the Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance: \$33,785.36
Income Received: \$4,535.00
Bills to Pay: \$4,272.99

Net Balance: \$34,047.37

A motion was made by **Jason Prevelige** to wave the Treasurer's Report as read and seconded by Devin Mulligan with one abstention from **Brian Wilk**.

Bills Payable

The Bills Payable for the month of May were read by **Treasurer Elaine Riebling**:

Engine 3 House Fund: \$100
New England Uniform: \$98
Tristan Levy: \$20 badge
Jesse Byron: \$35 CPR
Elaine Riebling: \$60.36 bags
Mike Farkas: \$188.96 funeral
Rich Perry: \$80.00 hazmat
Hansen's Flower Shop: \$54.06
Jeff DeSiero: \$545.00
Mike Zaleta: \$28.14

A motion was made by **Angus Maciver** to pay the bills and seconded by **Jason Prevelige** and passed unanimously with no abstentions.

New Members

One new member was introduced by **Jason Prevelige**, his name is Tom Naylor. There are two more new members but they are not present tonight. There are a few more applicants to talk to.

Correspondence

We received a letter from an old woman whom we helped during the floods.

Plan & Scope Committee

Nothing to report.

Refreshment Committee

Nothing to report.

Hospitality Committee

Any sick or ill members or family members please contact **Mike Zaleta** or **Mike Farkas**.

Hugh Dolan's son died. We need to send a card. The wake is tonight and tomorrow.

Kevin Soledi has been ill.

Membership Committee

See above report under new members.

Fundraising Committee

The can and bottle drive is this weekend and it is a truck week.

Recognition Committee

Nothing to report.

Equipment Committee

Holmatro was here and we demoed the tools again. We will get two 42" spreaders, two 50" new car technology cutters, one medium ram, one small ram, one ram kit (chains, tips, etc...), two tool gas portable motor, three tool electric portable motor, core tech single hose, 100% natural oil in four 50' lengths, two 32' lengths for portable, and possibly a mini combo tool. The truck as a new hands free Nextel charger with cigarette lighter adapter, a tool pouch instead of the tool box, and the light tower has been fully fixed. If something needs to be fixed you need to write it up and let someone know as well. Portable radio batteries 343/344 even charge were broken and given to Lt. Moens to fix.

Picnic Committee

The picnic went well.

Recruitment & Retention Committee

Angus Maciver stated that applications for the company scholarship will be available from May 5th through June 1st. This scholarship will only be for college and not for private high schools. A total of four or five applications will be given out. **Angus** also stated that the billboard will be up this month in Bridgeport, then down for one month, then back up in Fairfield. This will be repeated five times.

We also have grant money so new members can be put through Fire Fighter 1 and EMT class.

Unfinished Business

Vinny Odice brought the idea of the new duty polo shirts to the membership. The shirts will be dark blue and for duty use, with white polo shirts available for purchase for personal use. On the shirt will be our patch which will be on the left side of the chest and the only difference is that it will not be outlined in yellow.

A motion was made by **Jeff DeSiero** to allocate \$450 for 17 polo shirts. The motion was seconded by **Jason Prevelige**. A vote cast to the membership had an outcome of SEVEN votes for, TWO votes APPOSING, and THREE abstentions.

New Business

All company dues of \$15 need to be paid to **Jason Prevelige** before the dinner on Saturday.

Training

Jeff DeSiero reports that training will take place next Tuesday, May 8th, at 1930 hours at the Joe Elias Fire Training Center. The topic to be covered will be engine company operations as well as hose operations.

Fire Report

March

Refuse Fire: 1
Extrication: 1
Rescue Calls Not Classified: 3
Water Evacuation: 2
Service Calls Not Classified: 1
Smoke Scare: 3
Unintentional Alarm: 1
System Malfunction: 5
Severe Weather, Natural Disaster Assessment: 11

TOTAL FIRE RUNS: 28
ROAD RUNS: 9
TOTAL TIMES R-15 MOVED: 37

April

Refuse Fire: 1
Rescue Calls Not Classified: 1
Water Evacuation: 4
System Malfunction: 1
Unintentional Alarm: 1
Severe Weather, Natural Disaster Assessment: 4

TOTAL FIRE RUNS: 12
ROAD RUNS: 7
TOTAL TIMES R-15 MOVED: 19

Chief's Report

Chief Chris Burlant reports that the Stratfield Village Association wants to have a Fireman's Ball, possibly sometime in July. The liason to the Association is Cassandra.

The road race is June 24th and ALL MUST ATTEND.

When any invitations are sent out, please RSVP whether you can go or have a regret for courtesy and respect.

Earth Day is this Saturday and the Rescue will be at Fairfield Warde High School throughout the day.

Other Business

None.

A motion was made by **Jeff DeSiero** to adjourn the meeting. **Jason Prevelige** seconded the motion. **President Mike Farkas** adjourned the meeting at 2131 hours.

*Submitted by Bryan Fogle
Recording Secretary*