

Colebrook Fire Department
Forge Company
October 5, 2021 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Deputy Chief Todd Hiller, Captain Steven Sartirana, Maureen Bascetta, Bob Bull, Bill Hiller, Dan Butler and Chief Ben Bartlett.

Deputy Chief Todd Hiller called the regular monthly meeting of the Colebrook Fire Department Forge Company to order at 19:00 hours.

Reading and approval of minutes:

Captain Steven Sartirana presented the minutes from the September meeting. With there being no discussion or amendments to the minutes, a motion was made by Bill Hiller, and seconded by Dan Butler to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Treasurer and bills for payment:

Treasurer Rick Tillotson was not in attendance. A motion was made by Steven Sartirana and seconded by Dan Butler to suspend the treasurer's report until the October meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Deputy Chief Hiller will submit monthly bills to Treasurer Tillotson.

Communications, correspondence, and notices:

There were no communications, correspondence, or notices to discuss.

Report of Committees:

Members of the truck committee looked at Tolland Mass. New engine while at the pumping drill in Riverton. Deputy Chief Hiller will be obtaining the specs from Tolland. The committee is scheduled to meet on October 10, 2021 at Forge Station at 09:00 to compile the information from their evaluations and draft a specification for the potential purchase of an engine/rescue to replace Engine 2.

Admission of applications for new membership:

There were no new membership applications received.

Old Business:

The open house scheduled for October 3, 2021 at Forge Station has been postponed to a tentative date of October 17, 2021, should COVID restrictions allow.

We will need a driver to bring Engine 2 to the annual hose testing has been scheduled for October 13, 2021. The testing will be done at the Mallory Brook Plaza.

Most of the equipment for the Rover (Spotted Dog) app has been purchased, we are waiting on the tablets. When the remainder of the equipment arrives, we will install it in the station and apparatus. Once the system is in service, we will schedule a time and place to install the app on members phones.

Rescue tools have been serviced. There was an issue with the spreader causing the battery to drain down. A part was replaced under warranty and has rectified the issue.

The air pack that went out for repair had a leaking regulator. A part was replaced under warranty and has rectified the issue.

Deputy Chief Hiller thanked all who attended the pumping drill in Riverton. Training on the hydrant system was beneficial, as it is not a task that we perform frequently.

New Business:

The second-grade class from Colebrook Consolidated School will be holding a Tag Sale at the Forge Station on October 2, 2021.

Fire Marshal Melanson will be out for surgery starting October 13, 2021. Ed Bascetta will be covering in his absence.

The purchase of individual SCBA mask for all interior firefighters of Forge Company was discussed. A motion was made by Captain Sartirana and seconded by Dan Butler, to purchase 3 SCBA mask to be assigned to Deputy Chief Hiller, Captain Sartirana, and Lieutenant Phelan with an addition 3 to be purchased before the fiscal year end. The motion passed unanimously.

The possible purchase of a gear washer was discussed. Deputy Chief Hiller will investigate the cost and possible grants for the purchase.

The open house will be held on October 17, 2021 from 09:00 – 12:00. Life Star will arrive at 11:00. We will conduct a work detail on October 15, 2021 at 18:30 to prepare the station for the event.

Chief's Report:

The Fire Prevention demonstration at the Colebrook Consolidated School will be on October 15, 2021 at 09:00. Please contact Chief Bartlett should be able to assist.

Trunk or Treat will be held at the Colebrook recreational field on October 30, 2021.

We have not received any gear or equipment from our gear purchase. We have been in contact with the vendor regarding the gear purchase and are awaiting a reply.

We will investigate conducting a live burn. We will investigate the possibility of joining another department that has scheduled their live burn.

For the good of the Company:

No items were brought forth for the good of the company.

Being no further business, a motion was made by Steven Sartirana and seconded by Bob Bull to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 19:57 hours following the pledge of allegiance.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven J. Sartirana

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