

**Colebrook Fire Department
Forge Company
March 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes**

Attendance: Todd Hiller, Shawn Thibault, Dan Butler, Bill Hiller, John Parenteau, Elizabeth Norman, Bob Bull, Chief Ben Bartlett, TJ Strahan, Chris Johnstone, Chris Beaulieu.

Deputy Chief Todd Hiller called the meeting of the Colebrook Fire Department Forge Company to order at 19:10 hours.

Reading and approval of minutes:

Elizabeth Norman presented the minutes from the February 2023 meeting. With there being no discussion or amendments to the minutes, a motion was made by TJ Strahan, and seconded by Chris Beaulieu to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Treasurer and bills for payment:

Treasurer Rick Tillotson is at an EMT refresher course. In his absence, Deputy Chief Hiller presented the monthly company bills and account balances. With there being no discussion or amendments to the report, a motion was made by Bill Hiller and seconded by Shawn Thibault to accept the report as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications, correspondence, and notices:

None

Report of Committees:

The Truck Committee did not meet, but Deputy Chief Hiller spoke to a representative who said that the build will begin on June 5.

The By-Law Committee did not meet.

The Fundraising Committee will meet on March 16. Chief Hiller will notify Terry Phelan and Steve Sartirana.

Admission of applications for new membership: None.

Old Business:

Compressor: It is in the process of being disassembled so that Bryce Zygmont can remove it.

Hose testing is still in June.

If anyone still has beneficiary forms, please drop them off at Town Hall or bring them to Forge.

New Business:

The Brush Truck is back in service. Good to use when power lines and tree limbs are down.

Chief's Report:

Chief Bartlett shared information about the driving class by email. The dates are open to when you sign up.

The Litchfield Fire School Assistant Director John Fields sent a nice letter to thank members of Forge who assisted with clean up including Steve Sartirana, John Parenteau, Suzy McAllister and Evan Sartirana on Saturday, February 11.

The Electric Vehicle class will be on March 21 at 6 PM. Chief Bartlett invited Norfolk and Riverton. It will be at Colebrook Center.

For next month, the Center meeting will be on April 3 at 6 PM. There will be a dinner in honor of George O'Brien, and he will be presented with the axe. The axe presentation should be before the meeting starts at 7 PM.

The State radios will be tested soon.

Training:

- March 14, SCBA fit testing at Center
- March 21, Electric vehicle class
- March 28, maintenance night and Blood Borne video

For the good of the Company:

Being no further business, a motion was made by Chief Bartlett and seconded by First Selectman Chris Johnstone to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 19:36 hours following the pledge of allegiance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary