

Colebrook Fire Department
Forge Company
July 11, 2023 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Chief Benjamin Barlett, Deputy Chief Todd Hiller, Lieutenant Terence Phelan, Dan Butler, John Parentaue, Maggie Parenteau, Tim Strahan, Shawn Thibault, Rick Tillotson, Bob Bull, Chris Beaulieu, Ryan Farrell, Scott Shahmanesh.

Deputy Chief Todd Hill called the regular monthly meeting of the Colebrook Fire Department Forge Company to order at 19:07 hours.

Lieutenant Terence Phelan appointed recording secretary for the meeting.

Reading and approval of minutes:

Terence Phelan presented the minutes from the June 6, 2023 meeting. A motion was made by Rick Tillotson and seconded by Tim Strahan to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Treasurer and bills for payment:

Rick Tillotson presented the Treasurer's report. With there being no discussion or amendments to the treasurer's report, a motion was made by Shawn Thibault and seconded by Tim Strahan to accept the treasurer's report as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications, correspondence, and notices:

Deputy Chief Hiller reported that 4 Guys has sent pictures of the new cab and chassis. After the meeting he will display them on the tv.

Report of Committees:

There were no reports for Committees.

Admission of applications for new membership:

No new applications for membership.

Old Business:

Deputy Chief Hiller thanked the members who helped out with the Walk to School.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated we will be fixing the floor in the meeting room after the budget is received.

Bob Bull was thanked for donating a new US flag.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated EMTs will be needed at the The Colebrook Fair.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated there is an endurance race at Norbrook Brewery on July 22, 2023, EMTs will be needed.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated the hose testing will be finished on August 30.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated DEEP brush fire training will be scheduled for a Sunday morning in the future.

Deputy Chief Hiller thanked all members who attended the standby for the fireworks on McClave Rd.

Deputy Chief Hiller thanked all members for the help with Field Day.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated that the Open House is scheduled for October 8, 2023, 9 – Noon.

Deputy Chief Hiller stated that movie night is Saturday, July 15, 2023. The event starts at 4 p.m. The movie will start at 7:00 p.m. Deputy Chief Hiller asked all members to stay after meeting to finalize assignments for movie night.

Deputy Chief Hiller thanked all members for attending Liz Thompson's memorial.

Deputy Chief Hiller asked all members to please get your firefighter physicals at American Family Care in Torrington as soon as possible so we can keep track of who is in compliance.

New Business:

No new Business.

Chief's Report:

Chief Bartlett thanked the members for attending fireworks on McClave Road and recent storm calls.

Colebrook Fair: Chief Bartlett stated the Colebrook September 2, 2023. EMTs will be needed. The fire department will be doing a demonstration and other tasks. Members will be needed.

Chief Bartlett stated the DEEP grants are due in August. Grants are up to \$5,000; Colebrook would be required to spend \$2500. John Parenteau made a motion that we apply for grant. Shawn Thibault seconded motion. Motion passed.

Chief Bartlett stated that the East Hartland parade is July 29, 2023. The North Canaan parade will be July 15, 2023 and the Winsted parade will be August 12, 2023. Please see your company officers if you would like to attend.

Chief Bartlett stated the training schedule will be sent out to all members as it has been finalized. He did state July 18th will be maintenance night. July 25th will be EVOC at the Colebrook Dam.

Chief Bartlett informed the company Colebrook's live burn will be at the Burrville Training School on November 14, 2023.

New Business from the floor:

Dan Butler noted there is possible new round of storms this weekend with additional flooding.

For the good of the Company:

Deputy Chief Hiller stated Captain Steve Sartirana is looking at challenge coins to hand out to new members or departing members. More information will follow at the August meeting.

John Parenteau made a motion, Shawn Thibault seconded motion to adjourn meeting at 1943 hours following the Pledge off Allegiance. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Terence M. Phelan

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Lieutenant