COLEBROOK FIRE DEPARTMENT Special Officer Meeting - Mar 27, 2024

Officers Present: Sean Barry, Craig Carfiro, Jon Gray, Hannah McCaw, Paul LaRocque, Todd Correll, Todd Hiller, Steve Sartirana, Terry Phelen, Maggie Parenteau

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>: Chef Barry called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.
- 2. <u>Chief Updates:</u> Chef Barry provided updates on the following:
 - <u>Budget:</u> Colebrook Fire will receive an increase to the operating budget for next year. The budget, just like previous years, will be split in half for each company (\$29,500) solely for operating expenses. He spoke about due diligence that will be used. In the future, we will start budget planning earlier. Discussed options for hose/ladder/suction testing. Todd Hiller offered to reach out to FailSafe for a quote from them.
 - <u>Communication:</u> Any communication means has been using the Rover App and email. Reach out to Sean with any questions/concerns/requests.
 - Training: John Parenteau has offered to help coordinate training events and with communication. If any line officers can help teach a class or two on a topic that they feel comfortable with or are interested in that would help lighten the load of others.
 - <u>501C:</u> Shared updates in regards to 501C status. Sean will follow up with King, King and Associates and the Selectman.
 - <u>Grants:</u> David Mann has been helping write grants. We submitted a grant with Nutella for an inflatable boat. Another opportunity grant with AFT for a gear washer/dryer for both companies.
 - Be aware that DEEP monitors social media posts.
- 3. <u>Discussion of Fundraising Policy:</u> Officers reviewed the most recent version of the fundraising policy. A couple revisions were discussed and made.

A motion was made by Steve Sartirana and seconded by Terry Phelan to bring the revised fundraising policy to a vote at a joint meeting. It was scheduled to have a joint meeting on Monday, May 6th at 7PM at Center and at this meeting assign committee members to the fundraising committee. The motion passed unanimously.

- 4. <u>Live Burn Date:</u> It was discussed putting out two possible dates for the live burn and seeing what day works for the majority of the membership. Dates to be determined.
- 5. <u>Adjourned:</u> A motion was made by Terry Phelen and seconded by Steve Sartirana to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hannah McCaw Secretary Colebrook Fire Department