Colebrook Fire Department

Forge Company

May 6th, 2025, Monthly Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Steve Sartirana, Evan Sartirana, Rick Tillotson, Shawn Thibault, T.J. Strahan, Bob Bull, Bryce Zygmont, Todd Hiller, Sean Barry, Rick Tillotson, Maureen Bascetta, Terry Phelan, Chantelle Masslon, Brad Bremer, Nora Ely, Dan Butler, Bill Hiller

Deputy Chief Terry Phelan called the regular monthly meeting of the Colebrook Fire Department Forge Company to order at 19:21 hours.

Reading and approval of minutes: Nora Ely presented the minutes from the April meeting. A motion was made by Bryce Zygmont and seconded by T.J. Strahan to accept the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Treasurer and bills for payment: Treasurer Maureen Bascetta presented the monthly company bills and account balances. With there being no discussion or amendments to the report, a motion was made by Bryce Zygmont and seconded by Shawn Thibualt to accept the report as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications, correspondence, and notices:

Received letter from Orange FD for parade asking for attendance, east Hartland FD sent correspondence for parade, Northwest Bank grant \$1,000 for hoisting device.

Thank you card to be sent for Northwest Bank for grant - Nora will send out.

Report of Committees:

Rescue 8 committee to sell rescue 8; Bryce, Shawn, Terry

Bi-laws & tax amendment committee - TJ, Bryce, Terry

Membership - Steve, Shawn, Bill; Steve will stay on to offer assistance with membership

Welcome packet -John & David; put together a welcome packet for each new member to include bi-laws, company rules, etc; David will provide document file and add to officer computer.

Admission of applications for new membership: None.

Old Business:

Department computer alpine software has been uploaded, will still need to upload to radio computer.

May 8th - Is walk to school, Maureen/Todd to walk with kids. David will bring brush truck, be there by 8:15 am Thursday.

Horse shoes signups on office door,

Berkshire riders breakfast, dinner, delivery, cleanup, cooking sign ups also on officer door

EMS dinner sponsored by Charlotte Hungerford May 15th 6 pm; a request for attendance was asked by May 8th, dinner only for First Responders only

Live Burn - It was brought up that there needs to be compliance with policy in effect for cleaning gear, masks, packs, and bottles after live burn. There was over sight at live burn. Chief mentioned that a check list will be made up and held to for equipment to be cleaned. Packs and bottles were not cleaned. Gear went into cab of Squad 2. Gear is not allowed in cab to protect firefighters, should be placed in trash bags and brought back to be cleaned. Packs will be cleaned after meeting.

New Business:

The change over with LCD on will be on May 12th, Evan will gather radios and converge radios over, responder radios will be needed; a request to leave responder radios was made, will be left before May 12th.

Contact will be made with John P about changing website from .com to .org. David passes on the being the lead.

For the good of the Company:

Flood warnings are in Upper Fairfield county, dive team was dispatched to Wolcott where police cruiser was found almost completely submerged. Thankfully the officer in the cruiser was able to get out safely and quickly.

To complete hose reel will need \$111.

Donation of \$150 was provided for the hose reel by Zygmont Excavation. Thank you to the Zygmonts for donation

Being no further business, a motion was made by Bryce Zygmont and seconded by Rick Tillotson to adjourn the meeting at 20:15 hours. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned following the pledge of allegiance.

Respectfully submitted,

Nora Ely, for Elizabeth Norman Secretary