

**TOWN OF FAYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
14 April 2004**

I. The regular meeting of the Fayal Fire Department was called to order at 1905 by Capt. Rob Spolar.

II. Roll Call.

PRESENT

Chris Petrack  
Nick Domiano  
Steve Shykes  
Chris Sailstad  
Roberta Ochis  
Steve Kniefel  
Scott Smith  
Eric Garman  
Frank Pavelich  
Mike Knutson  
Jack Oakman  
Rob Spolar  
Pat Cossalter  
Therese Elverum  
Eric Jankkila  
Tim Tammaro  
Tony Tammaro  
Greg Weaver

ABSENT

Gary Barker  
Brian Sampson  
Jim Bertucci  
Pete Bertucci  
Nels Myklebust  
Jess Nuno

III. Old Business

A. Motion by Tammaro, second by Cossalter to approve the minutes of the meeting of 10 March. Motion carried.

B. Correspondence

1. Miscellaneous advertising and catalogs-in office.
2. Miscellaneous Periodicals - in office

C. Secretary-Treasurer Report. Total disbursements from the Fire fund in March was \$ 1,168.64. Year to date total is \$ 18,833.70.

D. Chiefs Report.

1. Discussion relating to the Pre-season meeting with the USFS in Aurora. The Forest Service will need physical fitness certification forms for those individuals doing the staffing work this spring. Smith/Shykes to coordinate.
2. A grant application for the 2004 round of Federal Grants was submitted for a new tanker at estimated cost of \$ 152,000.00.

3. Regarding the 2003 federal grant - Boot sizing needs to be completed so that the boots can be delivered. Lace-in zippers will also be procured. Officers decided to upgrade the wildfire turnouts since low bidder product was of inferior quality. Sizing for the turnouts needs to be completed this evening.
4. Regional meeting will be held in Coleraine on 1 May. Eveleth has named a new fire chief
5. East Range Coalition meeting will be held in Lakeland next Wednesday.
6. Action Plans have been received from the MnDNR. Maps, etc., will be placed in the units..

E. Assistant Chief Report

1. Numerous applications have been received for the relief association scholarships that need to be processed.
2. The mandatory training on 28 Apr will be a wildland fire training
3. State school in Duluth was well attended
4. State School in Bloomington in two weeks. Spolar plans to attend.
5. Kudos to Sailstad for completing required training courses in short order.

F. Captains Report

1. Weaver and Ochis have the April Truck Check.
2. Oakman and Tony Tamaro have the Truck Check in May
3. 91 has received some minor repairs - flashers etc.
4. Six wheeler is all set up and in service
5. SCBA Trailer needs to be broken down to repair a bad valve on Tank #5
6. Discussion on pump certification requirements.
7. Boat is always flat - need a permanent solution

G. Lieutenants Report

1. Litter is an ongoing problem - please pick up
2. A wipe board for the training room is needed - estimated cost of \$150.
3. Butch Pavelich coordinating more painting projects such as the stairway
4. Some pictures would be nice to adorn the walls in the hall
5. Much surplus stuff has accumulated and should be disposed
6. Adopt a Highway has vacancies - no interest by Fayal FD

H. EMS Report.

1. 2 runs since last meeting
2. April Training will be on Trauma Assessment
3. Arrowhead EMS is offering a free 1<sup>st</sup> responder training

I. Committee Reports.

1. Membership - no report
2. Spaghetti feed has been set for the 25<sup>th</sup> of April. Harvey Thompson will be distributing free gun locks at this event.

3. The passing of Ted Garver from Chisholm FD and the Arrowhead Association was noted.

J. Other Old Business

IV. New Business.

- A. Supervisor Jim Pernu has asked if the FD could burn the large brush pile at the yard waste site. Scheduled for 6 p.m. of the next work night - April 21
- B. Firewise work needs to be finished up - May 8<sup>th</sup>
- C. Kudos to Chris Petrack on promotion to Captain at Hibbing FD
- D. Discussion on new storage/inventory systems for SCBAs on the units.
- E. Discussion on activities of health and wellness committee

V. Review of the Bills. Bills received through 14 April reviewed. Motion by Jankkila, second by Pavelich, to pay the bills. Motion carried.

VI. Next Meetings.

- 21 Apr - Optional Training - Burn Brush 6 p.m.
- 28 Apr - Mandatory Training - Wildland training
- 5 May - Work Night
- 12 May - Regular business meeting

VII. Meeting adjourned at 2040

Respectfully Submitted  
S Kniefel, Secretary/Treasurer