

**TOWN OF FAYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
11 August 2004**

I. The regular meeting of the Fayal Fire Department was called to order at 1915 by Capt. Rob Spolar.

II. Roll Call.

PRESENT

Nick Domiano  
Eric Garman  
Rob Spolar  
Tim Tammaro  
Roberta Ochis  
Mike Knutson  
Chris Petrack  
Jess Nuno  
Scott Smith  
Jack Oakman  
Brian Sampson  
Jim Bertucci  
Therese Elverum  
Nels Myklebust  
Chris Sailstad  
Steve Shykes  
Tony Tammaro

ABSENT

Greg Weaver  
Pete Bertucci  
Steve Kniefel  
Pat Cossalter  
Frank Pavelich  
Eric Jankkila

III. Old Business

A. Motion by A Tammaro, Second by Smith to approve the minutes of the meeting of 14 July. Motion carries.

B. Correspondence

1. Miscellaneous advertising and catalogs-in office.
2. Miscellaneous Periodicals - in office
3. Thank you from Spencer Oates for scholarship award

C. Secretary-Treasurer Report. Total disbursements from the Fire fund in July was \$ 1880.63. Year to date total is \$ 55,065.98. Budget reconciliation report through the end of July prepared and distributed.

D. Chiefs Report.

1. Donation of surplus gear and equipment to St. Cloud organization to send to needy fire departments. Will be shipped soon.
2. Letter received from Greg Weaver. He is being deployed for 18 months and needs to resign as Lt and 1<sup>st</sup> Responder. Status to be maintained in relief association for periods of active duty. Farewell social held last weekend.

3. Forest Service checks have been cut. Town Clerk needs some payroll information from a few members.
4. Pat Cossalter is currently out of the service area.
5. A house on West Long Lake Road may be available for training
6. Firewise project needs to be completed. We have been funded for 800 inspections and have completed 364. The grant has been extended to 1 January 2005. The remainder should be completed by the October meeting.
7. Wild land helmets have been lettered. Some whose equipment is not in the hall still needs to get this done. This completes the grant acquisitions.

E. Assistant Chief Report

1. Virginia State Fire school will be 18-19 September. Calendar is posted.
2. Current training status listing is posted.
3. Pumping from Dry Hydrant at Pleasant Lake last month yielded lots of muck. Hydrant is out of service.
4. Eveleth FD has a house to train in. Virginia and Gilbert FD's invited also. Training on 18 August and 25 August will be at Eveleth - start at 6:30. No make-up will be available. Training will include search and rescue, RIT, ventilation, forceable entry etc..

F. Captains Report

1. Kniefel and Pavelich have the Truck Check in August. Mykklebust, Ochis, and Jankkila in September.
2. New inspection sheets have been made for the boat, 6 wheeler, and the Cascade trailer.
3. Decision needs to be made on the rescue sled demo. Rob is working on the Trailhawks snowmobile club for a donation.
4. Miscellaneous small repairs have been made in response to truck check forms. .

G. Lieutenants Report  
No Report

H. EMS Report.

1. 6 runs since last meeting
2. Extrication Training being planned.
3. Eveleth Ambulance Spaghetti dinner on 11 September at Resurrection church. 4 wheeler being raffled off.

I. Committee Reports.

1. Membership - Two applications pending processing

J. Other Old Business

None

IV. New Business.

- A. Training burn being planned for the house on W. Long Lake. Big house requiring commitment from many people to be there. Probably get set up for a Saturday in October. Coordinating with neighboring Depts and the coalition.

- B. A vacancy exists with Weaver's resignation as Lt. Motion by T. Tammaro, second by Sailstad to appoint Sampson to fill the vacancy. Motion carried.
  - C. Motion by Tammaro, second by Domiano to donate \$ 100.00 to MDA telethon. Motion carries. We will also start the challenge again.
  - D. Tim Tammaro introduced a proposed by-lay change for the relief association: "When a member goes involuntarily on active duty of military service for a maximum of one year, Relief Association time will be accrued as normal fire department time."
  - E. Relief Association update. The required municipal contribution in 2005 to maintain the current benefit level is currently \$ 4500 more than levied by the Township. The Town Board has indicated that they will not fund the shortfall outside of the approved 2005 fire department levy. Motion by Shykes, second by Smith, to use proceeds from the Firewise grant to fund the 2005 contribution shortfall. Motion carries.
  - F. With the leave of Weaver, a replacement trustee is needed on the Relief Association. Domiano volunteered and was accepted.
- V. Review of the Bills. Motion by Sailstad, Second by Ochis to pay the bills - carried
- VI. Next Meetings.  
18 Aug - Optional Training - Eveleth FD.  
25 Aug - Mandatory Training - Eveleth FD  
1 Sep - Work Night  
8 Sep - Regular business meeting
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 2030

Respectfully Submitted  
S Kniefel, Secretary/Treasurer