

**FAYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT
BUSINESS MEETING
JULY 10, 2019**



Meeting called to order at 1913 by Capt. Nick Preiner.

Pledge of Allegiance

June Minutes were presented, taken and printed by Battalion Chief Matt Hoffmann. Secretary Jamie Reberg absent. A motion was made by Tim Coates to accept the minutes. Seconded by Nick Brascugli. Motion Carried.

Present: Andy Carlson, Nick Brascugli, Greg Chad, Tim Coates, Matt Hoffmann, Nick Preiner, Bryan Sampson, Rich Sather, Steve Shykes, Hunter Tarr and Jeremy Widmer.

Special Guests: None.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: None.

Chief's Report: Presented by Chief Steve Shykes

1. Submitted the DNR 50/50 Matching Grant for Communications. If we would get it, it will be used to buy new 800 MHZ pagers.
2. Also submitted a Grant Request on behalf of the ERFDC for funds to help with bringing a speaker up this fall.
3. 911 User Board – no new information at this time.
4. Chief was contacted by our local law enforcement and informed that National Night Out will be held on August 6, 2019 from 1700-2000. We have been asked to do the grilling and help out.
5. The Chiefs meeting (open to any firefighter) will be held July 22, 2019 at 1800 in Hibbing. Location to be determined. (At 1925 the meeting was halted for a medical call and was re-started at 1950.)
6. The payment from the State Fire Marshall's Office for extractor and dryer has been received.
7. The annual Family Picnic which should have been this month has been scheduled for August 14, 2019 at 1900 at Steve & Lina's place on Ely Lake Drive. The Business Meeting will be at 1800 at the hall and we will join our families after that.
8. A new "I Am Responding" Screen has been installed downstairs. (It is not a touch screen.)

Assistant Chief's Report: Presented by Asst. Chief Bryan Sampson

1. Bryan introduced our new Firefighter Andy Carlson.

Battalion Chief's Report: Presented by Battalion Chief Matt Hoffmann

1. Stated that all the paperwork for the MBFTE reimbursement has been completed and sent to Heidi and has been forwarded to the MBFTE.
2. Trying to get department emails figured out so everybody gets the training opportunities. Will do more with that.
3. Several new emails were sent out with upcoming training dates. There will be no EMS training in June, July or August.
4. Also for this month, because of the July 4th holiday our training will be July 17, 2019 at 1800 at the Eveleth Auditorium by the Duluth Air Guard. It will deal with large aircraft crashes and what we can do.

Captain's Report: Presented by Capt. Nick Preiner

1. A thank-you to all the members who helped out during the parades on the 3rd and 4th.
2. Only two truck checks were done last month. This needs to be done more regularly. It helps us stay familiar with our apparatus. If anybody has any ideas as to how this can be accomplished, contact BC Hoffmann or Capt. Preiner.
3. One traffic sign from Squad 1 has been moved to Tender 1 officer's side front compartment on top of the hose.
4. When starting apparatus please make sure you let it cycle through before starting it.
5. There are bolt cutters on all apparatus except Engine 3. When you have a chance, check to see where they are.
6. New gas cards are now in Engine 3 and Squad 1 – also we should all be assigned a PIN number shortly.

Lieutenant's Report: Presented by Lieutenant Rich Sather

1. No report.

Membership Report: Presented by Asst. Chief Bryan Sampson

1. New member Andy Carlson is on board now and will be coming to calls etc.

Health and Welfare: Comments by the group

1. Tim Coates' father passed away on the 4th of July. We all expressed our condolences to Tim and his family.

Merger and Consolidation: Presented by Chief Steve Shykes

1. First joint meeting was held on June 3 and started to lay the groundwork to keep this moving forward. John Ehret from the State Fire Marshall's Office laid out what needs to be done. All seemed to be engaged and committed to do all aspects of consolidation. (EX: pension, SOG's, by-laws etc.) The committee will consist of: 2 elected officials from each entity, the Administrator/Clerk from each entity, the Fire Chiefs from each entity and 1 rank and file firefighter from each entity.
2. There is also a possibility of getting a \$90,000 implementation grant if this moves along smoothly.

Old Business:

1. The extractor is set to go. Chief talked to Morning Pride and they cannot recommend what soap to use. All they can say is to use one with a low PH. Zep makes a pretty good one.
2. The dryer still needs to be hooked up. Waiting for Nels to get that done.

New Business:

1. The Range Municipalities will be holding their Quarterly Safety Meeting at the Town Hall on July 18, 2019 at 0900. They would like the department to do a fire extinguisher training. Steve will get more information and put out a text.
2. Tonight, pictures of all of our apparatus were taken to be used to promote our department and possibly help with our recruitment.

Bills:

1. See separate ledger for monthly bills.
2. Motion to pay the bills was made by Rich Sather. Seconded by Tim Coates. No discussion – Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Rich Sather at 2130.