

**TOWN OF FAYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
11 Jan 2006**

I. The regular meeting of the Fayal Fire Department was called to order at 1900 by Capt. Rob Spolar.

II. Roll Call.

PRESENT

Nick Domiano  
Therese Elverum  
Eric Garman  
Steve Kniefel  
Nels Myklebust  
Robbie Ochis  
Frank Pavelich  
Chris Petrack  
Chris Sailstad  
Brian Sampson  
Steve Shykes  
Scott Smith  
Rob Spolar  
Josh Stachovich

ABSENT

Jim Bertucci  
Dave Hartman  
John Knapper  
Mike Knutson  
Jess Nuno  
Jack Oakman  
Tim Tamaro  
Greg Weaver

III. Old Business

A. Motion by Smith, Second by Ochis to approve the minutes of the meeting of 7 December. Motion carries.

B. Correspondence

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

D. Secretary-Treasurer Report. Total disbursements from the Fire fund in December was \$ 2397.38. Year end total was \$ 193,167.64.

E. Chiefs Report.

1. New Call down rosters have been prepared and distributed. Please use when needed for non-emergency communication.
2. Registrations for membership in State Fire Chief's Association are now due. Shykes, Smith, and Domiano will retain membership.
3. A meeting was held with MnDNR Forestry regarding Firewise program and other issues. A new Firewise coordinator has been named. MnDNR would like to publish a jurisdictional map book for all departments to have. Grant \$ and Coalition support being sought to accomplish this.
4. Fayal has about 450 Firewise inspections to complete. This will be accomplished this spring/summer.
5. 2007 budget/levy needs are due to the Town board very soon. FD should review and complete their requests.

F. Assistant Chief Report

1. Letter received from USFS expressing appreciation for FD staffing during the 2005 wildfire season.
  2. February Training night will be the annual Med evals and respirator fitting.
  3. There are FFI and FFII classes available now in Chisholm, MI, and Grand Rapids.
  4. A new supply of pager batteries has been received.
  5. Vocational school newsletter is looking for photos of apparatus from area departments.
  6. A make-up training for the Jan Hazardous material class will be made available on 18 January.
- G. Captains Report
1. Sailstad and Knutson are the Engineers for 2006.
  2. Garman and Knapper have the Truck Checks in January. The 2006 schedule will be posted soon.
  3. The foam problem on 91 has been diagnosed and corrected.
  4. Looking for an interested person to relieve Petrack as SCBA officer.
  5. Virginia FD has submitted an invoice for expenses related to recent fire at the Regional landfill.
- H. Lieutenants Report
1. Floor drain launders have been cleaned out. Man door needs to be physically checked to ensure it is fully closed.
  2. Check heat settings if they have been turned up for use of the hall.
- I. EMS Report.
1. 7 runs since last meeting
  2. Classes are available for EMT and 1<sup>st</sup> Responders
  3. Battery on Defib unit on 91 is being replaced.
- J. Committee Reports.
1. Membership - No new applicants. There are currently three vacancies available.
  2. Health and Welfare - No Report
  3. Truck - Nothing happening at Custom. New Fayal Chassis is sitting there. Looks like delivery will be in May. Purchase of on board equipment approved and awarded to Ranger Fire. Discussion on process to dispose of 88. Minimum bid amount and timeline needs to be established and provided to the Town Clerk for disposition.
  4. SCBA Acquisition - Specifications have been approved and bid solicitation is in progress. Bids to be opened 7 February.
- K. Other Old Business
1. None
- IV. New Business.
- A. There has been two retirements from the FD. A dinner meeting will be held in February at Goodfellows to acknowledge these retirements.
- B. Motion by Shykes, second by Smith, that when new people are brought onto the department, they be provided a voluntary mentor to help them with orientation. Motion carries.

- C. Discussion on Highway Safety training. Motion by Shykes, second by Elverum, to procure appropriate Highway safety gear such as cones, vests, reflectors, flares and turnout gear lights. Motion carries.
  - D. A supply of new Haz Mat guide books for the units is being sought.
  - E. Garman reports on a problem encountered in engaging pump on engine 91. There is a procedure to follow when this occurs.
  - F. Gas cans were found empty.
  - G. Second reading of Elverum's proposed by law change to increase EMS personnel reimbursement to \$ 5.00 per call. Much discussion related to FD compensation. No action taken on the proposal. Motion by Sailstad, second by Shykes, to set up a committee to review the compensation issue for the entire FD. Motion carries.
- V. Review of the Bills. Motion by Elverum, Second by Ochis to pay the bills - carried
- VI. Next Meetings.
- 18 Jan - Optional Training - HazMat make-up
  - 25 Jan - Mandatory Training - undetermined
  - 1 Feb - Work Night
  - 8 Feb - Regular Business Meeting
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 2030

Respectfully Submitted  
S Kniefel, Secretary/Treasurer