

**FAYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
9-9-20**



Meeting called to order at 1904
Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to accept the August minutes was made by Jeremy Widmer. Seconded by Tim Sklors. Motion carried.

Roll Call

Present: Steve Shykes, Brian Sampson, Matt Hoffmann, Nick Preiner, Cory Christianson, William Brokaw, Andy Carlson, Greg Chad, Tim Coates, Rick Sather, Tim Sklors and Jeremy Widmer

Absent: Chris Chrislock, James Heitzman (working), Eric Moe, Jamie Reberg, Wyatt Reberg (working), Chris Sailstad (meeting) and Curtis Schramm

Special Guest: None

Secretary/Treasurer's Report:

- Remember that all receipts, bills and rosters should be put in Secretary's folder or bin. Several have been found between the file cabinets and the wall.
- Gave a brief rundown of what the September bills were for.

Chief's Report:

- Congratulations to Andrew Carlson. He has completed all the requirements of 1001 (FFI & FFII) and is certified as a firefighter by the State of Minnesota.
- Bridge on County Road 132 (Miller Trunk Highway) is being dismantled and that section of road is closed for approximately 4 weeks.
- After a recent medical at the Ely Lake Veterans Park a map of the Park was requested and copies have been made. All sites are numbered on the map. If you need one contact the Chief.
- The Town Board approved the Relief Association benefit increase to \$2,200 a year.
- Cover on Tender 1 hose bed
- REMINDER: Chief needs to know about any purchase made for the Department except for fuel.

Assistant Chief's Report: None.

Battalion Chief's Report:

- The calendar for fall is coming together. Looks like 1001 (FFI & FFII) will have an organizational meeting on Sept. 17, 2020 at 1900 at the Biwabik Fire Hall. BC Hoffmann will be contacting those involved.
- Tri-Department Training for September is on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2020 at 1800. Because we will be using the ARF Prop that is in the area, hoping to be able to do this at the Airport, but are leaning toward upstairs in the Township Parking Lot.
- An additional training is scheduled on Wed., Sept. 23, 2020 at 1800 on Wildland Extrication Techniques.

Captain's Report:

- E2 is still at Mid-State Truck Service. Should be back soon. Think problem with going into gear is solved but have to wait for a temperature sensor before they can test it. Text will be sent when it comes back so we can put it back in service.
- T1 will go in at a later date.
- 6-Wheeler is at 5 Seasons Sports getting repaired. Should be back soon.
- The new hose bed cover is on T1. When unsnapping it on the back snaps remember to unsnap them at a slight angle instead of straight up.
- E2 tarp has been repaired.
- When the weather starts to get rainy and snowy, watch the edges of gravel roads and driveways so as not to get apparatus stuck.
- Pump heaters will be turned on soon. When washing and drying, check to make sure they weren't accidentally turned off.
- If apparatus goes out, when washing, make sure that the cabinets and dump churtes are sprayed out.
- Remember – on calls where we are going to staging, make sure our apparatus is able to get out if another call comes in.

Lieutenant's Report

- Parking lot striping is still being worked on.
- Pictures have been put off until the spring of 2021.
- Make sure when leaving Station 2 that both People Doors are locked.
- Fly season is upon us! Keep vacuuuming the window sills and floors below them.

EMS Report

- Calls to date: January – 6, February – 5, March – 7, April – 8, May – 4, June – 7, July – 6, August – 11 and so far September – 3.
- Looking to start monthly EMS Training in October.
- Going to do an EMR Class this winter.
- Central Lakes 1st Responders do not have AED's, so we could be called for Mutual Aid.
- The Town Board has replaced 2 AED's and pruchased another one to go in Rescue 1.

Membership None.

Health and Welfare

- Received one Thank You.
- Group discussion. Chief Shykes and Sailstad will take care of any needs.

Merger Consolidation

- No update.

Old Business:

- BC Hoffmann has submitted a request to Mayo for computers for some of our tigs – CAD System.
- Our training contractor is building some props and wondering if we could house them. We would have use of them for our training. We said we would house them.
- Lots of discussion about compensation for the members of the department who are working with the Merger Consolidation Group. Town Board member Rich Sather will bring it up at the next Board Meeting. (It was not brought up and is still pending.)
- Still looking at having a National Night Out in September or October.
- Discussion was held about doing some lettering in the Station and re-doing the lettering on the overhead doors. A motion was made by Chief Shykes to look into getting both done. Seconded by BC Hoffmann. Motion carried. The inside lettering is in progress and the outside overhead door lettering will move forward in the spring.
- A motion was made by BC Hoffmann that the Fayal Fire Department become a Tobacco Free Facility – both equipment and buildings. Seconded by Chris Sailstad. After discussion, Motion carried. (It was asked what the Township Policy is – think it might be just smoke free. If so, we will have to find out if we can go further. This is still pending.)
- Second reading of a Fire Department By-Law Change: Article IX-Reimbursement, Sec. 1: Fayal Fire Personnel shall be reimbursed for all activities at the rate of \$10 per hour.
- First reading of another Fire Department By-Law Change: Article IX-Reimbursement Sec. 2: Officers shall be paid as in Section 1 and receive additional monthly compensation as follows:
Chief - \$300 per month; Assistant Chief- \$240 per month; Battalion Chief- \$240 per month
Captain - \$210 per month; Lieutenant - \$210 per month; Secretary/Treasurer - \$210 per month
EMS Director - \$120 per month; SCBA Officer - \$120 per month; Engineer (x2) - \$60 per month
If an officer occupies multiple positions, the monthly compensation for the additional, lower paid position, will be reduced to 50%.
- Third reading of a Fire Department By-Law Change: Article IX-Reimbursement, Sec. 1: Fayal Fire Department Personnel shall be reimbursed for all activities at the rate of \$10 per hour. A motion was made to accept the By-Law change by Chief Steve Shykes. Seconded by Tim Coates. Motion carried. Now it goes to the Town Board.
- Second reading of another Fire Department By-Law Change: Article IX-Reimbursement Sec. 2. Officers shall be paid as in Section 1 and receive additional monthly compensation as follows:
Chief - \$500 per month; Assistant Chief- \$300 per month; Battalion Chief- \$300 per month
Captain - \$250 per month; Lieutenant - \$250 per month; Secretary/Treasurer - \$225 per month
EMS Director - \$120 per month; SCBA Officer - \$120 per month; Engineer (x2) - \$60 per month
If an officer occupies multiple positions, the monthly compensation for the additional, lower paid position, will be reduced to 50%.

New Business: None.

Review of bills

- A motion was made by William Brokaw to pay the bills. Seconded by Tim Coates. Motion Carried.

Training Minute None.

Motion to adjourn was made at 1958 by BC Matt Hoffmann. Seconded by Lt. Cory Christianson. Motion Carried.

Submitted by

Greg J. Chad - Secretary/Treasurer