



Bethel Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated

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Company Meeting Minutes

Date: 7-10-14

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Call to Order:

The company meeting of the Bethel Volunteer Fire Department was called to order at 1910 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence for Departed Members

Attendance:

The following members were present: **Nick Bennette, Ed Bruey, Jeannine Bruey, Rosanna Burgos, Bruce Cornwell, Gail Clark, Danny Fredericks, Ben Gerstenmaier, Fred Ingram, Eunice Kennedy, James Kiley, Ryan McNair, Tomas Miglietta, Chris Morton, Sue Morton, Scott Murphy, Ira Pollack, Rev. David Pople, Anthony Rongetti, Brendan Ryan, Regina Yacko**

The following members were present but without voting privileges: **Amanda Bachman, Dan Bishop, Andrew Davis, Corey Kaechele**

The following retired members were present: **Clyde Finger, Pat Morton, Clarence Rees**

Past Meeting Minutes

- Accepted as posted and distributed

Treasurer's Report:

- Accepted as read

Officer's Report:

- Planning on future events with the high school
- Memorial Day Service attendance discussed
- New reflective markings added to chief's car, utility truck, and trailer
- All trucks need to be washed after every response
- LT 108 & 110 will be rotating duty officer shifts in place of Car 4
- Efforts made to recover fire department issued property from past members Cameron Jones and Kim Tobe have been unsuccessful, matter to be turned over to the police department
- All portables have been reprogrammed to communicate with Danbury Fire
- New single gas CO meters placed in service on each first-in bag for A1 & A2
- Roll call issues discussed
- Bethel Historical Society seeking a story on the department and the museum
- Department received positive feedback on our appearance at the July 4th EMS stand by
- Personal vehicles are prohibited from responding to fire scenes
- EMS scene attire discussed
- No tobacco use inside the firehouse



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- Specs for new Engine 5 are complete

Committee Reports:

Ambulance Report:

- No Report

CT Fireman's Association Report (Rees):

- Convention to be held in Litchfield

EMS Report (Clark):

- EMS Supervisor's meeting next Wednesday
- Meeting with Region 5 coordinator
- Danbury Hospital's new emergency room opens Sept. 10
 - Ambulance bay will be relocated
- Meeting with Holdsworth July 22
- EMS staffing needed during picnic

Pension (Clark):

- \$50,000 was cut from town budget for pension program

Entertainment (Fredericks):

- Picnic is at 1100 this Sunday, the 13th
- Be at the FD at 0800 to help load and setup for the picnic
 - Probationary member attendance is mandatory

Fire Prevention (Ryan):

- Seeking topic suggestions

Fund Drive (Pople):

- First round of contributions collected

Grievance:

- No Report

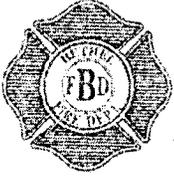
Museum (Rees):

- Mack restoration making good progress

Parade (Kiley):

- Bridgewater Fair Parade is August 15th

Public Relations:



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- No Report

Scholarship (Cornwell):

- Proposed scholarship program for EMS members who are enrolled in college
- Motion by Ed Bruey to approve and enact the proposed scholarship program
 - Motion amended by Scott Murphy to add the stipulation of having the scholarship program reviewed by a labor law attorney prior to enactment
 - Motion seconded
 - Motion passes
- Gas card plan proposed
 - To be revisited
- Picnic tables discussed
 - To be revisited

Sickness and Accident (Rees):

- One claim to be paid at the end of the month

Truck:

- No Report

Uniform:

- No Report

Board of Directors' Report:

- Accepted as posted and distributed

Applications for Membership:

- Five applications pending background check

Old Business:

- None

Correspondence:

- Thank you letter received from Carolyn Hawkins for flowers
- Letter received from Amanda Bachman to change her membership status to administrative
 - Referred to board of directors

New Business:

- \$8,000 received from Sutton estate
 - Motion by Ed Bruey to put half of the money towards the Mack restoration



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- Motion seconded
- Motion passes
- Motion by Ed Bruey to put the other half of the money towards two AED pads immediately and two AED pads in the future
 - Motion seconded
 - Motion passes

Good and Welfare:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 2011

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Kiley', is written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

James Kiley
Recording Secretary