

**STONY HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, INC.
MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA**

Special Meeting
59 Stony Hill Rd
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on April 7th, 2021 at Stony Hill fire Department with 25 members present.

Meeting was called to order at 19:30 hours.
Roll call was taken.

X Previous month's minutes read and accepted

Treasurer's Report: Please pay your dues if you haven't yet.

X Accepted

Chief:

John Baker

March Call Stats

35 Calls

Top 3 Responders

Chief Magyar **23**

Chief Baker **19**

Lt. Bunting **16**

Non Officer

Eng Hart **11**

C Cywin **11**

C Berg **9**

Call Types

Power Lines / transformer **3**

Mutual Aid **2**

Brush Fire **1**

Chimney Fire **1**

Canceled Enroute **10**

CO Calls **2**

Automatic alarms **4**

Structure Fire **1**

Odor Investigation **1**

MVA's **2**

Illegal Burns **6**

Furnace Fire **1**

EMS Assist **1**

Notes

March was a busy month. As you just heard with a wide variety of calls we went out of town a couple of times once to Brookfield and once to Southbury. Thank you to all who came out

Our EMS Students are doing well. They are in the test stage. We wish them all luck and any help and support we can give them. We are also looking to host an EMR class in the near future. Capt. Mangi will keep you posted.

Capt Mangi and I have been working closely with ERM on staffing. They are going through some turnover that they are working to replace. AS I reported last month our local leader Jeff Matson has stepped down for other

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opportunities. ERM has already found a replacement and will be training shortly. You will see new faces here. Please welcome them and bring to officer's attention any issues you feel needed to be pointed out.

A few people have asked me the status on the community room. It is still closed for non dept training use. We can use it for meetings and training. The town can use it. It's a municipal building.

More and more people are getting vaccinated, but mask rules are still in place. Covid protocols should be followed on EMS calls.

Relations we Bethel Fire are going well. Chief McCollam and I are planning another joint officers meeting soon.

Bethel will be hosting a Fire I class soon see Chief Amero if interested. The flower sale was a great success.

Thanks to Donna and her team, it went very smoothly. Many hands make light work. Also thanks to Linda for her floral creations and Bob L for his wooden creations.

Just a reminder we now have a place for physicals at AFC Urgent Care on Newtown Rd. Please Schedule them ASAP.

Chief Galliford sent out to everyone the radio transmissions from the LODD in Spring Valley, NY. This was very sad and very tragic. So we will learn from this and train for this to minimize the risk and panic. I have written and SOG on what to do in this situation. Chief Amero will be setting up hands on training on this and we'll invite Bethel to participate.

The weather is coming nice again so we will do more outside drills give any suggestions to Chief Amero. Live Burns are already being offered firefighters must attend one a year.

Also let's keep the bays clean and swept out. Wash personal vehicle outside. When fire apparatus is out clean the bay be for returning it.

I have a save the date. July 11th. Bethel is coordinating a public safety picnic at Bennett Property. This is an all day Event for members and families of both fire Depts and the police dept. and the board of selectmen. It is a neutral / central location large enough for all of us. There will be food drinks games slip and slide or bouncy castle for the kids. Should be a nice day to relax and meet people from the other Depts.

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I do not have any information on the capitol budget. I'm sure the next step is to get the Fire commission up and running to assist in any decision making. I believe they are in the selection process of committee members.

Received a thank you from the Southbury Fire Dept for the help with the brush fire.

Thank You,

John Baker

Assistant Chief/Training:

Shawn Amero

Will be scheduling annual walk thru of Duracell.

Fire Fighter 1 class starting. Will be held at the Bethel Fire Dept.

Ladder drill to be held.

Reminder – Live burns are MANDATORY. You must attend one a year.

Chief Engineers' Report:

Patrick Magyar

Engines to be going to GK for annual maintenance during the month of April

Hose testing to be done

West Redding has 2 seats available for Fire Prevention presentation.

Captains' Report:

Matt Gunter

Thanks to all who cleaned the bays for the Flower Sale

Lieutenants' Report:

S6 Dave Bunting

Nothing to report

S7 Zach Britton

Nothing to report

S8 Doug Evanuska

Nothing to report

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Truck Reports

Engine 1:

Dan Spinella

Nothing to report.

Engine 3:

Bob Germinaro Sr.

Nothing to report. Will be replacing R2 while out for maintenance.

Engine 11:

Robert Leonard

Nothing to report.

Rescue 2:

Jonathan Hart

Nothing to report. Currently out for annual maintenance.

A3:

Jim Lawlor

Nothing to report.

Utility 5:

Jarrett Leonard

Nothing to report.

EMS Report:

Jim Mangi

There were 67 calls for the month of March, 2021, giving us 231 calls for the year, compared to 257 in 2020 (a 10% decrease). In March:

- 13 volunteers provided at least 8 hours of EMS on-call coverage.
- 22 volunteers made at least 1 call.
- The top responding officers were:
 - Lt David Bunting with 9 calls
 - Chief John Baker, Lt. Doug Evanuska and EMS Capt. Jim Mangi all with 8 calls
- The top responding members were:
 - Chuck Cywin with 20 calls
 - Blake Bonnabeau with 5 calls
 - Chelsea Berg, Mikayla Evanuska, Jarret Leonard, and Paula Muhlfeld all with 4 calls
- ERM made 27 calls as a complete crew.
- ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 11 calls.

- Of the 67 calls,
 - 38 were BLS (do not include calls where care was transferred as they could be ALS)
 - 17 were ALS
 - 4 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
 - 3 were treated and refused transport (include this number with BLS calls)
 - 1 were treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2nd call, assist, or A3 OOS)
 - 1 canceled enroute
 - 2 canceled prior to response
 - 0 no patient found

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- 0 dead on scene
 - 25 were for Bethel Health Care
 - 4 were for Maplewood of Bethel
 - 13 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
 - 3 (4.5%) were first calls covered by mutual aid.
 - 5 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.
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- With only 13 people providing 8 or more hours of EMS coverage last month, I want to remind everyone that we are all here because of the commitment we each gave to the community and this service. I think all responders with EMS certifications should be providing at least 16 hours of EMS coverage each month, which is only two nights, or a few weekend or early evening shifts. As a reminder, I can adjust start and end times for you if needed to accommodate your schedule.
 - The 3 missed calls in March were between 18:45 and 20:00, so we may be seeing people still working and not yet available. I know that for one of these, I was still working. I am asking again that people please sign up for shifts so that we know we have coverage. We have large blocks of time where we have no crew signed up, but are getting the ambulance out due to a small core of people that are listening for the night call tones every night, which is not fair to that small group.
 - I would like to formalize consideration of new EMS equipment by creating a working group that will look at suggestions and determine the benefits, and possible suppliers. If you are interested, please contact me.
 - Please remember to position the O2 bottle on the stretcher so that the regulator is not hanging outside of the stretcher frame.
 - On Independence Day we will have the Firecracker road race and Stony Hill has been asked to assist with EMS and other resources. We normally cancel the paid crew on July 4th. As we get closer, I will publish the schedule for that week, but if I do not see people signed up ahead of time, the day crew will not be canceled and we will wind up paying double time for an EMT.
 - If interested in training to be a COVID vaccinator, please contact EMS Captain Mangi.
 - For fire calls, EMS members should respond to make sure we have a crew for A3. If A3 is not needed on the fire call and no EMS call number is generated, ask a fire officer to add you to the personnel list for the fire call so you get credit for coming out.

As always, any suggestions, comments, complaints, questions or issues, please contact either EMS Captain Jim Mangi or EMS Lieutenant Ken Carney.

Fire Police:

James L'Hernault

CT Fire Police will be holding classes. Please email James if interested.

Classes are \$50 per person

Safety Report:

Tom Galliford

Schedule your physicals this month as per email sent out.

Membership:

Ernie LeClercq

2 new members:

Chris Carlson – EMS/Fire Fighter

Christine Rudinas EMS

2 potential members under review

Public Relations:

Patrick Magyar

Nothing to report

Grievance:

Bob Germinaro Sr.

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Board of Directors:

Meeting with the treasurer to go over investments.

Correspondence:

Letter received from Danbury Hospital regarding and thanking us for the quick actions that were provided to a stroke victim.

Bills:

Bills received from the flower sale.

By-Laws:

Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford, John Giambruno

Nothing to report

Illness:

Ken Parciaseppe

Fund Drive:

Tom Galliford

Letter went out and have begun to receive donations.

Special Activities:

Old Business:

Flower Sale – bills to be reviewed. Additional info to be presented at May meeting.

Thanks to all who helped.

New Business:

Picnic planned for July 11th for both fire departments.

Tunnel to Tower run/walk to be held tentatively in June

Fire Cracker race tentatively scheduled for July

Good of the Company:

Memorial Day service to be held. Please have your uniforms ready.

Meeting adjourned at 20:35 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robyn Leonard, Secretary