

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

59 Stony Hill Rd  
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 21 at Stony Hill fire Department with 25 members present.

Meeting was called to order at 19:35 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence for Ct State Trooper Sgt Brian Mohl and the 13 men and women that paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Roll call was taken.

Previous month's minutes and accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

**Chief:**  
**John Baker**

**Chief's Report**  
August Call Stats  
19 Calls

**Top 3 Responders**  
Chief Baker 11  
Chief Magyar 11  
Chief Galliford 7

**Non Officer**  
Eng Bob Leonard 5  
FF Cywin & Iazzatta 3  
FF Berg & Leclercq 2

**Call Types**

AFA's 7	Brush Fire 1	Odor of Gas 2
Cancelled 3	CO Calls 1	MVA 5

**Notes**

As you may know, we looked at a demo of a ladder truck. We invited the First Selectman Knickerbocker and Selectman Straiton to look at it with us. The salesman told them the price was under a million dollars so they said they may be able to make this purchase. So we officially proposed it to the fire commission and the board of selectman and was approved by both but the board of finance has not voted on it. We did everything we could to make this happen but right now it does not look like it will be approved. I will continue to support the need for this apparatus in Stony Hill.

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2021 OCT -4 A 8:09  
TOWN CLERK  
BETHEL, CT.

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The cascade system was put on the town's government auction site and was purchased by a SCUBA broker in MI. I will request the town give us the money back in our budget to offset the cost of the removal.

Thank you to those who came out to be sure we were ready for Hurricane Ida. Thankfully, we didn't get the damaging winds but the rains were significant and we did have few basements to pump out

This year marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 911. There will be a memorial service Saturday morning at 7:30 this was planned to happen with the attack occurred. We will send out and email with all the details.

A lot of our EMT's have returned to college so we have been missing night ambulance call. Everyone please listen when the tone goes to the general tone. That means we don't have a crew and we need someone to step up and get the ambulance out.

We need to keep the focus on recruitment. We have the signs and the flyers out but we can't wait for them to come to us. We need to find them. We will to a direct mailer. We will do an open house and set up a table at the high school when they are back awhile. Ask your friend and neighbors if they want to join we will talk to anyone. We have a fire class in January and EMS classes come up regularly.

Thank You,

**John Baker**

John Baker  
Chief

**Assistant Chief/Training:**

**Patrick Magyar**

Training: thank you to everyone who has been coming out to the last few drills, we have been seeing a lot of new & old faces so I hope to keep that trend going. I don't have definite dates set yet but we were donated a pick up to train on so we will be cutting/burning that. Also once I coordinate with Cal from Hamden FD we will be doing a fire/EMS combo drill on low angle rescue.

If anyone has any ideas or topics they'd like to do for a drill night I encourage you to reach out to me so we can make it happen.

**Chief Engineers' Report:**

**Patrick Magyar**

S3- 2 batteries were replaced on A3 which fixed the issue with it randomly dying. Received quote to replace tires on A3 which will need to be done in the next few months, preferable before winter. Engineers please keep up on your weekly checks.

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**Captains' Report:**

**Matt Gunter**

No Report

**Lieutenants' Report:**

**S6 Dave Bunting**

No Report

**S7 Zach Britton**

No Report

**S8 Doug Evanska**

No Report

**Truck Reports**

**Engine 1:**

**Dan Spinella**

No Report

**Engine 3:**

**Bob Germinaro Sr.**

No Report. Please keep truck full of fuel.

**Engine 11:**

**Robert Leonard**

No Report

**Rescue 2:**

**Jonathan Hart**

No Report

**A3:**

**Jim Lawlor**

No Report

**Utility 5:**

**Jarrett Leonard**

No Report

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**EMS Report:**

**Jim Mangi**

There were 95 calls for the month of August, 2021, giving us 671 calls for the year, compared to 664 in

2020 (a 1% increase). In August:

14 volunteers provided at least 8 hours of EMS on-call coverage.

26 volunteers made at least 1 call.

The top responding officers were:

- o Chief John Baker with with 21 calls
- o Chief Engineer Patrick Magyar with 15 calls
- o EMS Captain Jim Mangi with 9 calls

The top responding members were:

- o Brendan Fox with 15 calls
- o Chuck Cywin with 10 calls
- o Chelsea Berg with 6 calls

ERM made 49 calls as a complete crew.

ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 15 calls.

Of the 95 calls,

- o 43 were BLS (do not include calls where care was transferred as they could be ALS)
- o 33 were ALS
- o 5 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 4 were treated and refused transport (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 4 were treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2<sup>nd</sup> call, assist, or A3 OOS)
- o 2 canceled enroute
- o 10 canceled prior to response
- o 1 no patient found
- o 2 dead on scene
- o 31 were for Bethel Health Care
- o 7 were for Maplewood of Bethel
- o 13 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 4 were first calls covered by mutual aid.
- o 6 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.

The September EMS Drill on 9/20 will be a workshop on how to track and maintain your Connecticut and NREMT certifications. We will help with training and education, but ultimately it is each provider's responsibility to maintain their own certifications.

More people signing up for shifts puts less stress on membership as a whole.

If published shifts do not work with your schedule, contact EMS Captain Mangi to have the hours

adjusted to when you can cover.

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**

No Report

**Safety Report:**

**Tom Galliford**

No Report

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**Membership:**

**James L'Hernault**

In the process of on boarding 3 new members

**Public Relations:**

**Patrick Magyar**

Thank you to the group that came out to the kids event at the church on Main St. We will be attending the fall festival at Holandia oct 2nd and 3rd, it's a fun event, more to come on that later. We will also be bringing a truck to Blue Jays one up coming weekend for membership/PR.

**Grievance:**

**Bob Germinaro Sr.**

No Report

**Board of Directors:**

**Kevin Sheehan**

**Jay Streaman**

**Chuck Cywin**

No Report

**Correspondence:**

Received Thank You letter from the First Congregational Church of Bethel thanking us for our participation at their Youth Festival.

We also received a check from a grateful homeowner for help during the storm.

**Bills:**

None

**By-Laws:**

**Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford,**

No Report

**Illness:**

**Ken Parciasepe**

**Fund Drive:**

**Tom Galliford**

Donations coming in. Another mailer to go out in September.

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**Special Activities:**

September 11<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary ceremony  
CT United Ride  
Open House on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 11 to 1

**Old Business:**

Voting for the vacant Assistant Chief position:

Voting took place and the following changes were made:

Patrick Magyar – Assistant Chief  
Matt Gunter – Chief Engineer  
Doug Evanuska – Captain  
Bob Germinaro Sr. – Lieutenant  
Chuck Cywin – Truck Engineer for Engine 3

**Congratulations to all!**

**New Business:**

October – Beacon Falls Parade Saturday 10-16

November – Food Drive

**Good of the Company:**

Meeting adjourned at 20:30 hours.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Robyn Leonard, Secretary