

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

59 Stony Hill Rd
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on November 1st, 21 at Stony Hill fire Department with 24 members present.

Meeting was called to order at 19:30 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Roll call was taken.

Previous month's minutes and accepted.

Treasurer's Report:
Read and accepted.

Chief:

John Baker

Chief's Report

October Call Stats

20 Calls

Top 3 Responders

Chief Gunter **10**

Chief Magyar & Capt. Evanska **9**

Eng Bob Leonard **8**

Non Officer

Eng Bob Leonard **8**

FF Iazzatta **6**

FF AJ Maturro **4**

Call Types

AFA's **6**

Explosion (55 gal Drum) **1**

Medical Assist **1**

Cancelled **6**

Furnace Problem **1**

MVA **4**

Notes

This Saturday there is a memorial Service for Past Chief Dick Gavin. The Family is receiving friends and family from 11am – 2pm at the Honan Funeral Home on Main St in Newtown. I'd like go as department and pay our respects. All members report to the firehouse (time determined) in uniform and we will go from here.

We had an open house last month for the first time in a long time. Thank you to all who pitched in to make this a success. I like to make this an annual event again. Let's write down what worked what didn't to make next year even better.

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There is a board of selectman meeting this Wednesday and the E-Drualic tools will be on the agenda. Then it will go to the board of finance for approval.

Congratulations to Chelsea on passing her Fire II practicals and good luck with the written Exam. Chelsea also passed the core rescue class. I'd like to thank everyone for their efforts this year. With that said elections are coming up Please take into consideration the time needed and responsibility.

Thank You,

John Baker

John Baker
Chief

Assistant Chief/Training:

Patrick Magyar

-Lifting and Stabilization class. Lecture will be Monday 11/7 at SHFD at 1900. Hands on will be Sunday the 14th at Public Works. Start time TBD. After this class, our new Paratech airbags will be placed into service. I need a rough headcount of those attending the hands on. (Try to get a count from those at the meeting)

- Congratulations to Chelsea Berg on passing her Fire 2 practicals as well as completing the Rescue Core class in Redding.

-Fire 1 begins in January at Brookfield FD. Contact myself or Chief Baker if interested. We would like to see 5 students in the class.

Chief Engineers' Report:

Matt Gunter

A3 was involved in a minor accident. Will be scheduling repairs. Will get more info on how long it will be out of service.

Please keep up on your truck reports

Captains' Report:

Doug Evanuska

No report

Lieutenants' Report:

S6 Dave Bunting

No report

S7 Zach Britton

No report

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S8 Bob Germinaro Sr.

Received new gear.

Truck Reports

Engine 1:

Dan Spinella

No Report

Engine 3:

Chuck Cywin

No Report.

Engine 11:

Robert Leonard

No Report

Rescue 2:

Jonathan Hart

No Report

A3:

Jim Lawlor

No Report

Utility 5:

Jarrett Leonard

No Report

EMS Report:

Jim Mangi

There were 103 calls for the month of October, 2021, giving us 868 calls for the year, compared to 821 in 2020 (a 6% increase). In October:

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

27 volunteers made at least 1 call.

The top responding officers were:

- o Chief Engineer Matt Gunter with 14 calls
- o Captain Doug Evanska with 11 calls
- o Assistant Chief Patrick Magyar with 10 calls

The top responding members were:

- o Chuck Cywin with 14 calls
- o Chelsea Berg with 9 calls
- o James L'Hernault with 7 calls

ERM made 45 calls as a complete crew.

ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 17 calls.

Of the 103 calls,

- o 49 were BLS (do not include calls where care was transferred as they could be ALS)
- o 26 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)

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- o 2 were treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2nd call, assist, or A3 OOS)
- o 10 canceled en route
- o 13 canceled prior to response
- o 0 no patient found
- o 1 dead on scene
- o 26 were for Bethel Health Care
- o 6 were for Maplewood of Bethel
- o 20 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 1 first call covered by mutual aid.
- o 8 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.

Please advise family, friends, or caregivers of patients taken to Danbury Hospital that visitors to Danbury Hospital must be able to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination, or a negative test taken within 72 hours of visiting the hospital. There are exceptions for those that must be transported with a caregiver, such as young children, those with functional needs, or those who may need a translator. For all others, direct the caregiver to call the hospital before going.

Stony Hill is not mandating COVID-19 vaccinations or regular COVID-19 testing. Danbury Hospital is not yet requiring that EMS providers be vaccinated or be regularly tested. As the vaccinations and boosters are not being mandated for EMS by the state, OEMS, or our sponsor hospital, Stony Hill will not be tracking this.

Nuvance has reminded EMS services again about the need for timely completion of Patient Care Reports.

Per Nuvance: "It is ... the expectation EMS will provide a completed OEMS approved patient care form prior to departing from the Hospital for all 'Alert' patients transported to Danbury or New Milford Hospital, with very few exceptions." And "All Patient Care Reports must be completed within twelve (12) hours of the patient encounter. Medical Control Authorization are subject to suspension or withdrawal for Providers consistently non-compliant."

Please let EMS Captain Mangi know this week if you can cover on Thanksgiving Day and also during the food drive on November 20th. If coverage can be confirmed, the paid crews can be cancelled.

EMS Duty Polo Shirts: Things got away from me at the last meeting. The shirts we will be ordering will be issued to active EMS members and are considered duty shirts. We do not vote on fire gear, and there is no requirement to vote on EMS gear. I have a list of those people who have made 10 calls from October 2020 through September 2021, or have covered an average of 16 hours per month in that same period. The shirts will be customized and will have your first name embroidered on them. Please check the list after the meeting, verify or add your size, and how you want your name to appear.

As always, any suggestions, comments, complaints, questions or issues, please contact either EMS Captain Jim

Mangi or EMS Lieutenant Kenny Carney

Safety Report:

Tom Galliford

No report

Membership:

James L'Hernault

No report

Public Relations:

Patrick Magyar

Thank you to everyone who attended the open house. It was well-received by those who came to it. Next year we will plan it sooner and have more activities. Thank You to SO Galliford for spearheading it.

Grievance:

Bob Germinaro Sr.

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Meeting on Wednesday the 3rd to review open request.

Board of Directors:

Kevin Sheehan
Jay Streaman
Chuck Cywin

No Report

Correspondence:

None

Bills:

None

By-Laws:

Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford,

No Report

Illness:

Ken Parciasepe

Fund Drive:

Tom Galliford

Donations coming in.

Special Activities:

Food Drive to be held November 20th.

Old Business:

Election of officers at December meeting. List of position will be posted in the radio room. If you are interested in a position, please add your name to the list.

New Business:

November – Food Drive on the 20th from 8 to 5. Please come out to help.
Santa run will be on Saturday December 18th. More info to follow.

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Good of the Company:

Meeting adjourned at 20:00 hours.
Respectfully Submitted,
Robyn Leonard, Secretary