

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

59 Stony Hill Rd
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on June 6th, 22 at Stony Hill Fire Department with 27 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

May Call Stats

19 Calls

Thank you to everyone who came out to these calls. Individual call stats are posted in the radio room.

Call Types

Cancelled 3	Auto Alarm 5	Illegal Burn 1	Forcible Entry 1
Medical Asst. 1	MVA's 3	Gas Release 1	Trench Rescue 1
CO Alarm 1	Extrication 1		

Notes

During the month of May, we had a trench rescue call in our district. This is a rare and specialized type of call. The best decision made for that call was calling in the experts, Danbury Fire and let them run the operation. I was asked to run an after incident critique. I reached out to Chief Lounsbury, and due to vacations it didn't happen. I think the call went well everyone worked well together. All the right decisions were made from calling Danbury Fire, using Life Star to transport. Calling in a Vac truck. The male who was trapped had significant internal injuries but was expected to make a full recovery.

Thank to those who came out to our Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade. The firehouse and apparatus looked great. Thanks to Jonathan Hart for

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taking care of the food for the picnic. A few members took R2 to Danbury's Memorial Day Parade.

The status on the new portables are they are in. Utility Communications has programed a couple for us to test. Our channels, mutual aid channels, mayday button as well as all the features. Once they have been fully tested and we are satisfied with the programming the rest will be done. They have already come out to survey the trucks for installing chargers.

The conversion to the new CAD is going well. Both fire and EMS calls are now being populated into their respective software. We no longer get calls faxed here. We no longer need to print out fire calls. This is saving a lot of time and paper. Remember reports still need to be filled out in a timely manner. We are still waiting on the tablet version of the CAD to put into each apparatus.

Hose testing was completed last month, we had very few failures.

The Town has decided to sell Engine 11. They have realized it is no longer practical to hold on to a 38-year-old fire engine and pay to keep it in service. So as soon as we can we need to take off it what we want to keep and it will be advertised for sale.

Thank You,

John Baker

John Baker
Chief

Assistant Chief/Training:

Patrick Magyar

Extrication drills with vehicles to be scheduled
Scheduling training at the Danbury Fire School

Chief Engineers' Report:

Matt Gunter

Battery in utility replaced
E 3 back out for service

Captains' Report:

Doug Evanuska

Thanks to everyone who helped get the house ready for Memorial Day

Lieutenants' Report:

S6 Dave Bunting

No Report

S7 Zach Britton

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Additional bottles on order

S8 Bob Germinaro Sr.

No Report

Truck Reports

Engine 1:

Dan Spinella

No report.

Engine 3:

Chuck Cywin

If you use speediDry, make sure it is replaced. Please put everything back where it belongs

Engine 11:

Jarrett Leonard

No Report

Rescue 2:

Jonathan Hart

Don't use AC over Doghouse. Light tower still having issues.

A3:

Chelsea Berg

Keep eye on menu on dashboard

Utility 5:

Oleg Iazzetta

No Report

EMS Report:

Jim Mangi

There were 129 calls for the month of May, 2022, giving us 521 calls for the year, compared to 405 in 2021 (a 29%

increase/decrease). In May:

6 volunteers provided at least 24 hours of EMS on-call coverage.

22 volunteers made at least 1 call.

The top responding officers were:

o Chief John Baker and Chief Engineer Matt Gunter with 20 calls each.

o Captain Doug Evanska with 15 calls.

The top responding members were:

o Chuck Cywin with 22 calls.

o James L'Hernault with 12 calls.

o Chelsea Berg with 8 calls.

ERM made 59 calls as a complete crew.

ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 21 calls.

Of the 129 calls,

o 72 were BLS (do not include transferred care calls as they could be ALS)

o 33 were ALS

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- o 9 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 9 were treated and refused transport (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 4 were treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2nd call, assist, or A3 OOS, or LifeStar)
- o 5 canceled en route
- o 13 canceled prior to response
- o 0 no patient found
- o 1 dead on scene
- o 0 were for Fire Standby
- o 44 were for Bethel Health Care
- o 14 were for Maplewood of Bethel
- o 18 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 2 were first calls covered by mutual aid.
- o 13 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.

We had some very busy days in May. On May 11th, we had the trench rescue on Budd drive, which required multiple resources from several towns, and transport of the patient via Life Star. On May 19th, we had the busiest EMS day that I remember, with 13 separate EMS calls originating from the Stony Hill district, with three 2nd calls and two 3rd calls handled by Bethel EMS, and one 4th call handled by Danbury.

There have been some charts that have not been completed in a timely manner. Those charts were flagged, but all EMTs should remember that per state mandates, ALL PCRs must be completed within 12 hours, and any calls requiring notifications (trauma, cardiac, stroke) must be completed immediately after the call.

Two new batteries and a new charger were placed in service for the stretcher on A3. Styker has let us know they will only support the current system for another two years max. To replace the stretcher and loader will be about \$50K. This will have to be considered down the road.

Need committee to go to Maplewood and Bethel Health Care and ask for funding for a new stretcher and power load system (Note: Jonathan Hart volunteered for this after meeting).

EMS coverage continues to be an issue. Some members have stated that if they are on the schedule, others may not show up. If we have a complete crew on the schedule, then we only need those people to show up, and others would only be needed if extra hands were needed. That means the top responders would not have to be on high alert 7 days/week.

When responding to the station for EMS calls, please remember to provide your certification level (EMT/EMR/Driver) so that others will know if there is a full crew. If you know you will complete the crew, please let dispatch know so that they do not keep toning, possibly to Bethel.

Please be sure to put next sequential number in EMS Log Book and PCRs. Unfortunately, the new CAD system is not generating service-specific sequential numbers yet.

For June's EMS drill, we are working on scheduling a make-up for the medication administration presentation, as we do not have that available yet online.

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

Fire Police:

James L'Hernault

Send him an email with your vest size

Safety Report:

Tom Galliford

Schedule physicals. Need to be done by July. Email with forms sent to members. Send him an email when done.

Membership:

James L'Hernault

Getting applications. Welcome to new member Eugene Rellick. Looking for someone to take over position

Public Relations:

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Patrick Magyar
No Report

Grievance:

Bob Germinaro Sr.
No report

Board of Directors:

Jay Streaman
Chuck Cywin
Jon Menti
No report

Correspondence:

Thank you note from patient we assisted

Bills:

Bill for Deposit for annual dinner

By-Laws:

Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford,

No Report

Illness:

Ken Parciasepe
No Report

Fund Drive:

Tom Galliford
Checks slowly coming in.

Special Activities:

Memorial Day Picnic – thank you Jon Hart for all you did
Ridgefield Parade June 24th

Old Business:

Annual Dinner update – Jim Lawlor deposit invoice received. Email to go out for
“save the date” confirmation

4H Farmers Market – can set up table for Mailbox signs

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New Business:

BFD – Sunday June 12th at 1pm holding a dedication Ceremony to honor past member Walter Dugdale as part of the Fire Museum.

Good of the Company:

Tunnel to Towers run walk scheduled for June 26th. Fire House challenge

Meeting adjourned at 20:35 hours.
Respectfully Submitted,
Robyn Leonard, Secretary