

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

59 Stony Hill Rd
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on January 4th, 23 at Stony Hill fire Department with 37 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

December Stats

Total Calls: **50**

The reports in the radio room have been updated to see your individual stats for the month and year to date..

Call Types

Structure fire **4** Automatic Alarm **8** Canceled Enroute **16**

Medical Assist **3** Electrical Problem **2** Motor Vehicle Acc **5**

CO Calls **2** Wires Down **1** Gas Leak **4** Illegal Burn **1** Medical Assist **3** Good Intent **2**

Weather Call **2**

2022

Total Calls 342 (298 in 2021)

Year End totals are posted in the room.

Notes

Happy New Year everyone. 2022 was an extremely busy year. We responded to significantly more fire calls this year than last year and we had another record year of EMS calls. We were dispatched to just over 1,300 EMS calls in 2022 and which is almost 1,000 more than 2021. This could not be accomplished without everyone's help. Thank you. I expect similar numbers in 2023 so keep up the great work.

To start I have a couple of appointments I have to make. I would like Chief Galliford to continue as our Safety Officer and I would like to formally appoint Eugene Reelick as our Fire Police Lieutenant.

Congratulations to the officers of 2023. They have just been sworn in and can hit the ground running. I expect great things from them on and off the fire ground. They each have their areas of responsibility. If you have any questions, go to any of them or myself.

Yes my work schedule is upside down but it's pretty rare I don't answer the phone or get back to you fairly quickly.

2023 MAR - 1 A 11:44
TOWN CLERK
BETHEL, CT.
RECEIVED
Rec'd by 1/20/2023
enroll

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I'd like to welcome the 18 new members who joined us in 2022. Some are more active than others. Some came to us already certified and have been completing crews on calls some are still in the training process. 18 is a lot of people and can easily go unnoticed. Please make them feel welcome and part of the team. Thanks to Eugene not only is he a new member himself but he is our membership chairman helping to get everyone oriented after they join.

As nice as 18 sounds we still need more members. We still have holes in the EMS schedule. We still miss ambulance calls. If you know someone who may want to join, you know what it takes. Send them down. As of right now, I have 2 members for the firefighter 1 class in January and we have 3 members looking to take the EMT class in Brookfield starting next month.

Thank you to everyone who came to the chief's drill. Thanks to Chief Galliford for taking on the planning party. The food was excellent and it was nice to see everyone in a holiday atmosphere.

Everyone had a good time.

We had the Santa run Last month. It is always fun and great to see the childrens faces light up when Santa steps off the fire truck. Thanks to everyone who helped brighten everyones holiday.

Congratulations to the 4 students we sent to Newtown for an EMT class. They all passed the final exam for the class and are able to move on and test for their Ct license. They take the Hands on practical skills portion Sat Jan 7th. and they can schedule the written exam when they are available. As always, reach out to our EMS officers and our ERM staff for help and study tips. They have been great to this point and will continue to help as long as you need.

The installation of the new portables has started. R2, E3, U5 and the Duty Car all complete tomorrow E1 and the chief's truck will be done and the project is complete. Thanks to chief Galliford for driving and managing this radio upgrade. We will have a training season with these tonight.

Thank You,
John Baker
Chief

Assistant Chief/Training:

Doug Evanuska

Fit testing – there are 4 date, signup sheet in the Radio room

1/9 – hazmat & blood born

1/23 – Active 911

1/30 – SCBA training

Chief Engineers' Report:

Matt Gunter

E1 has a radiator leak, drive seat broken

R2 light has been replaced

Any other issues, let him know

Captains' Report:

Dave Bunting

Any issues, let him know

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Lieutenants' Report:

S6 John Cole

Any issues or questions with radios or pagers, please let him know.
Will be doing an inventory of radios and pagers

S7 Jonathan Hart

Up to date on bottles
Let him know if any issues

S8 Bob Germinaro Sr.

New gear coming in
Get him serial #'s

Truck Reports

Engine 1:

Dan Spinella

Gear pack leaking. Will be replaced.
Wash truck when done with calls

Engine 3:

Chuck Cywin

Kudus for using vests. Make sure to put back on rig

Rescue 2:

Zach Britton

Fixed drivers side light. Getting rear tires replaced.

A3:

Chelsea Berg

Fill tank when at $\frac{3}{4}$.
Wash after using

Utility 5:

Nick Devita

New radio has been installed

EMS Report:

Jim Mangi

There were 113 calls for the month of December, 2022, giving us 1301 calls for the year, compared to

1065 in 2021 (a 22% increase). In December:

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

27 volunteers made at least 1 call.

The top responding officers were:

- o Chief John Baker with 21 calls
- o EMS Captain Jim Mangi with 14 calls
- o Chief Engineer Matt Gunter with 10 calls

The top responding members were:

- o Rick Johnson with 20 calls
- o Chuck Cywin with 17 calls
- o Rob Sarnelli with 12 calls

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ERM made 53 calls as a complete crew.

ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 19 calls.

Of the 113 calls,

- o 50 (35+4+11) were BLS (do not include transferred care calls as they could be ALS)
- o 44 were ALS
- o 4 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 11 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)
- o 2 canceled en route
- o 15 canceled prior to response
- o 2 no patient found
- o 0 dead on scene
- o 0 were for Fire Standby
- o 23 were for Bethel Health Care
- o 13 were for Maplewood of Bethel
- o 13 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 3 were first calls covered by mutual aid.
- o 4 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.

The Annual Bloodborne Pathogen (BBP) training, Annual Hazmat First Responder Awareness (FRA) Level I training, and Mandatory Sexual Harassment Awareness Training courses have been assigned in EMS1Academy. The training period for BBP began December 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023 for the other two. Please complete all three by March 31st, 2023.

Other annual requirements and CPR refreshers will be scheduled this quarter. When possible, they will be available remotely as well.

For EMTs picking up shifts on WhenToHelp, please pick up the EMT shift if it is open, and leave

the EMT or EMR (AnyEMS) shift for an EMR or 2nd EMT to pick up.

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

Captain Jim Mangi or EMS Lieutenant Ken Carney.

Fire Police:

Eugene Reelick

No report

Safety Report:

Tom Galliford

New radio presentation

Membership:

Eugene Reelick

Public Relations:

Patrick Magyar

Address sign challenge between BFD and SHFD – 250 signs per company.

Money raised will go to the purchase outside AE at the high school

Hat Tricks game – 1/7 – First responders night

Grievance:

Bob Germinaro Sr.

No report

Board of Directors:

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Chuck Cywin

Tony Rubino

Jay Streaman

EMR staffing -revisit in 6 months

Survey for medicare

Correspondence:

None

Bills:

None

By-Laws:

Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford,

No Report

Illness:

Ken Parciasepe

Ken Carney had surgery

Fund Drive:

Tom Galliford

Donations coming in.

Special Activities:

Santa Run – thanks to all that came out.

Chief's Drill – great time.

Old Business:

Board of Directors open position – Jay Streaman nominated and voted in.

New Business:

2024 will be SHFD's 75th Anniversary. Need a committee to start getting things rolling – Jon Menti – Chairman, Tony Rubino and Jay Streaman

2023 Easter Flower Sale April 6,7, 8 and 9

Maltese Cross for uniforms – approved

Good of the Company:

Emily Perna -resignation letter read

Looking into a water treatment/water softener
\$4000 for bays

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\$12000 for whole house

Meeting adjourned at 21.00 hours.
Respectfully Submitted,
Robyn Leonard, Secretary