

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

59 Stony Hill Rd
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on June 5th,23 at Stony Hill fire Department with 32 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:

May Stats

Total Calls: 27

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

Call Types

Automatic Alarm 5

Oil Spill 1

Trash Fire 1

Gas Leak 1

Newtown

Cover Assign(MA) 2

Canceled Enroute 7

Motor Vehicle Acc 2

Structure Fire 1

Brush Fire 1

Electrical Problem 2

CO Call 2

Smoke Scare 1

Structure Fire(MA) 1

Notes

May was a busy month for calls. We had a house fire in Bethel's district with flames showing on arrival. The conditions were hoarding type making it difficult to advance and for overhaul. It was a great stop and everyone involved did a great job and no one was hurt. We also were utilized to cover Danbury and Brookfield for incidents in their towns.

I shared a calendar link to everyone to help keep track of upcoming drills and events. If you don't have it, let me know

New Phones are installed the officers just went through a training meeting on them tonight. We will get a quick lesson write up to everyone ASAP. There wireless hubs have been installed. The new connection is SHFD-secure. There is also a SHFD-guest connection. I will send out passwords to these in a separate email. Comcast and the current internet will go away prior to their next Billing cycle. Now that this project is completed they will start on the cameras

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All the new AEDs are in for the fire apparatus. They are being put into service now. These were purchased for the federal ARPA funds.

Thank you to all who attended the Annual Dinner. The food was great and a nice atmosphere. It was well attended but we were hoping for more if you didn't attend you missed out and should plan on it next year.

We had our Memorial Day Ceremony and picnic. Thank you to all who came and work to make the firehouse look so great. The picnic was nice but I hoped more people would attend. Remember these events are for you.

Please look in the radio room. There are several sign up sheets for upcoming training and live burns. Make every effort to attend live burns are mandatory to stay as active status.

Congratulations to Chris Sherwood for passing his EMT class and passing the NREMT test. Hopefully the state will update him with a license and can start teching calls.

Emily has completed her fire I class and has taken her written exam. She should have the results soon.

We still have several students in the testing phase of EMT and in class please support them anyway you can.

Assistant Chief/Training:

Doug Evanuska

PareTec to provide demo on new stuts for rescue

Live burn scheduled for later in the month

Get you physicals done

Chief Engineers' Report:

Matt Gunter

E1 tire has a leak

A3 has wear on the front tires

Captains' Report:

Dave Bunting

Dishwasher, stove and gym equipment to be serviced

Gym equipment needs maintenance schedule

Looking for replacements of tables and chairs

Any other issues, let him know

Lieutenants' Report:

S6 John Cole

Ordered bank charger for radio room

Getting quotes on new radio for A3

Any issues or questions with radios or pagers, please let him know.

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S7 Jonathan Hart

10 bottles out for testing. Additional bottles going out in July
Taking inventory of all bottles
Let him know if any issues

S8 Bob Germinaro Sr.

Fire gear – need to let him know what you have for inventory
Parade gear – let him know what jewelry you need
Make sure to clean your gear after every use.

Truck Reports

Engine 1:

Dan Spinella

No Report
Fill tank when $\frac{3}{4}$ or less
Wash truck when done with calls

Engine 3:

Chuck Cywin

No report

Rescue 2:

Zach Britton

No Report

A3:

Chelsea Berg

A3 passed inspection
Fill tank when at $\frac{3}{4}$.
Wash after using

Utility 5:

Nick Devita

I – Pad is back

EMS Report:

Jim Mangi

There were 103 calls for the month of May, 2023, giving us 477 calls for the year, compared to 521 in

2022 (an 8% decrease). In May:

Only 2 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 27 calls
- o Assistant Chief Doug Evanska with 16 calls
- o EMS Captain Jim Mangi with 7 calls

The top responding members were:

- o Rick Johnson with 21 calls

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- o Chris Carlson with 14 calls
- o Emily Kurland with 12 calls
 - ERM made 49 calls as a complete crew.
 - ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 14 calls.
 - Of the 103 calls,
- o 52 (40+5+7) were BLS (do not include transferred care calls as they could be ALS)
- o 32 were ALS
- o 5 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 7 were treated and refused transport (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 8 were treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2nd call, assist, or A3 OOS)
- o 0 canceled en route
- o 9 canceled prior to response
- o 1 no patient found
- o 0 dead on scene
- o 2 were for Fire Standby (Cat in Tree call, and one Structure Fire)
- o 33 (31+2) were for Bethel Health Care
- o 13 were for Maplewood of Bethel
- o 16 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 5 were first calls covered by mutual aid.
- o 9 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.

I (EMS Captain Jim Mangi) am discussing EMS training with Bethel EMS. BEMS has EMS drills

the same day of the month as Stony Hill, and they provide CME credit. The courses are provided by their staffing vendor and are part of their staffing contract. I am awaiting word on what BEMS feels would be an appropriate contribution from Stony Hill to allow our members to attend.

Information about the Tunnel To Tower and Firecracker races will be sent out later. Information is

already on the company calendar, the link to which was just recently sent out again.

We missed 5 calls in May. There are calls where we have extra people, so I know if we spread out coverage, we wouldn't be missing calls. We've tried many ways of encouraging people to sign up, but it has not worked. I am officially asking that the Bylaw Committee investigate incorporating minimum monthly EMS coverage hours into the Bylaws and present their suggestion at a future meeting to be discussed further.

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

Interior members need to have physicals done by June 15th. Will be sending out where to get them done and the required paperwork.

Membership:

Eugene Reelick

2 new members

Public Relations:

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Nick Devita

Set up table at High School to recruit
Summer Festival 8/12 11-2

6/8 there will be a ribbon cutting for new AED installed at high school field

6/11 – Bethel PD car show 10-4

Grievance:

Bob Germinaro Sr.

No report

Board of Directors:

Chuck Cywin

Tony Rubino

Jay Streaman

No report

Correspondence:

Bills:

None

By-Laws:

Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford,

Working on By-Law change to remove membership dues.

Illness:

Ken Parciasepe

No Report

Fund Drive:

Tom Galliford

2023 fund drive letter has gone out. Includes a QR code on letter to do directly to the Website.

Donations coming in

Special Activities:

2024 will be SHFD's 75th Anniversary. Committee:– Jon Menti – Chairman, Tony Rubino and Jay Streaman looking at locations. Scheduled for Oct 18th, 24 at the Amber Room.

4th of July Road Race

First Congregational Church Summer Festival 8/12 11 to 2

Old Business:

Pet CPR to be rescheduled

Shreddit fund raiser 6/17

Pancake Breakfast – flyer to be done. Help needed with getting donations

Tunnel to Towers 5K June 25th.

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Memorial Day Parade and Picnic
Annual Dinner that was held in May

New Business:

Received resignation of member Dylan Perna
Stony Hill RD Scholarship awarded to member Rachel Jay

Good of the Company:

June 10th Blood Drive at the Municipal Center
July meeting to be held on Monday July 3rd

Meeting adjourned at 20:50 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robyn Leonard, Secretary