

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

59 Stony Hill Rd  
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held on August 7th,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:**  
**John Baker**  
**July Stats**

Total Calls:31

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 11	Canceled Enroute 7	Electrical Problem 2
Gas Leak 1	Motor Vehicle Acc 4	Medical Asst. 1
Oil Spill 1	Structure Fire 2	CO Call 1
Wires Down 1	Event Standby 1	

**Notes**

July was a busy month for calls. We went to 2 structure fires in Bethel that were minor and stopped at the room of origin. We also had several MVA's and it is nice to see wearing safety vests has become automatic. Thank you.

A3 will be out of service for a few days getting minor repairs done, the powerload installed and an lpad mount installed in the back. We are still working on a loaner ambulance from another town. We still should be responding to all medical calls as a first responder. U5 should go in place of A3

New phone directories are posted at the phones in the day room and the radio room to help you transfer any calls to voicemail.

Security cameras are in waiting for the work to get started

Aug 18th is the Bridgewater Parade. We need to get the trucks ready. If you haven't gone before, it's a great time. I would like as many people to march as possible.

TOWN CLERK  
BETHEL, CT.

2023 AUG 28 A 8:13

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Remember Public Relations is a part of the things we do to be visible and care for the community. Thanks to those who came to the BMX track event. We have some others coming up. The fall festivals at the congregational church and Hollandia Nursery.

Thank You,  
John Baker  
Chief

**Assistant Chief/Training:**

**Doug Evanuska**

Finish rope course training 9/24

FF2 has started

FF1 will start after FF2 is done

**Chief Engineers' Report:**

**Matt Gunter**

E3-fixed coolant thermostat,

**Captains' Report:**

**Dave Bunting**

Bridgewater Parade 8/18

Treadmills to be repaired

Researching where to purchase new chairs

Waiting on a call back for the dishwasher repair

**Lieutenants' Report:**

**S6 John Cole**

No Report

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

**S7 Jonathan Hart**

No Report

Let him know if any issues

**S8 Bob Germinaro Sr.**

There are 4 dates for the gear repair truck – see him to set up a time

**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**

Be careful with the gas meter light

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Make sure everything is out back the way you found them  
Throw out any garbage when done with truck

**Rescue 2:**

**Zach Britton**

No Report

Make sure radios are turned to the correct channel

**A3:**

**Chelsea Berg**

Will be out for service.

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

Wash after using

**Utility 5:**

**Nick Devita**

AC not working

**EMS Report:**

**Jim Mangi**

There were 122 calls for the month of July, 2023, giving us 698 calls for the year, compared to 742 in

2022 (a 6% decrease). In July:

8 volunteers provided at least 24 hours of EMS on-call coverage, which is an increase over past months.

34 volunteers made at least 1 call, which is significantly higher than in past months, so thank you to everyone for stepping up.

The top responding officers were:

- o Chief John Baker with 21 calls
- o Chief Engineer Matt Gunter with 13 calls
- o Assistant Chief Doug Evanuska with 10 calls

The top responding members were:

- o Chuck Cywin with 20 calls
- o Rick Johnson with 18 calls
- o Donna Ball with 9 calls

ERM made 57 calls as a complete crew.

ERM completed the crew with an EMT on 21 calls.

Of the 122 calls,

- o 68 (55+2+11) were BLS (do not include transferred care calls as they could be ALS)
- o 42 were ALS
- o 2 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 11 were treated and refused transport (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 3 were treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2<sup>nd</sup> call, assist, or A3 OOS)
- o 5 canceled en route
- o 11 canceled prior to response
- o 2 no patient found
- o 0 dead on scene
- o 0 were for Fire Standby
- o 35 (31+4) were for Bethel Health Care
- o 16 were for Maplewood of Bethel
- o 24 were night calls (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 2 were first calls covered by mutual aid.
- o 9 were second (or additional) calls covered by mutual aid.

The Bridgewater Fair firefighter's parade is Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. We are not having ERM cover outside of their scheduled hours. If you are not planning on going to the parade and can cover,

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please see me after the meeting. I personally would like to march, but I am not skipping unless we have coverage for the evening and overnight.

The EMS training budget is still being worked on, but we have two upcoming classes at Bethel VFD: Pediatrics on August 21, and Local Protocols on September 18. Each session awards 2 CMEs per participant, and includes dinner, and BEMS has requested \$150 from Stony Hill for each. I believe we had 12 people participate in July, so I would like to see \$300 approved by the membership by vote at this time for both months since the budget is still pending. Note that the July CME session was approved by the BOD after several discussions with EMS Captain Mangi.

When signing on for EMS calls, please state your certification (EMT, EMR, Trainee, Driver-Only)

and your driving status (Driver, Non-Driver) so that other responding crew know where they are needed. If you sign on and already know you will complete the crew, let dispatch know.

COVID is on the rise again. Those responders with health risks, or who have family with health risks, are urged to wear masks, and for aerosolizing procedures gowns are recommended. 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**

Fire Police to be one team with BFD

**Safety Report:**

**Tom Galliford**

Interior FF done with physicals

Looking into other locations to have them done.

**Membership:**

**Eugene Reelick**

No Report

**Public Relations:**

**Nick Devita**

Event at Congregational Church 8/12

BMX 1<sup>st</sup> Responder night 8/16

**Grievance:**

**Bob Germinaro Sr.**

No report

**Board of Directors:**

**Chuck Cywin**

**Tony Rubino**

**Jay Streaman**

Budget presentation – budget voted on and passed

**Correspondence:**

Thank you cards

**Bills:**

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None

**By-Laws:**

**Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford,**

By-laws discussed to remove membership dues. Special Meeting held prior to the next monthly meeting. Motion failed.

Updated By-Laws to be sent out

**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 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Committee:– Jon Menti – Chairman, Tony Rubino and Jay Streaman looking at locations. Scheduled for Oct 18<sup>th</sup>, 24 at the Amber Room.

First Congregational Church Summer Festival 8/12 11 to 2

BMX 1<sup>st</sup> Responder Night 8/16

Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup> – Annual United Ride. More info to follow

**Old Business:**

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

Newtown Labor Day Parade – we have been invited to march

Hollandia Fall Festival Sept 30<sup>th</sup> – Oct 1st – set up tent

**New Business:**

Bridgewater Parade 8/18

**Good of the Company:**

Meeting adjourned at 21:30 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robyn Leonard, Secretary