

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

59 Stony Hill Rd
Bethel, CT 06801

Meeting was held September 4th, 24 at Stony Hill fire Department with 33 members present.

Meeting was called to order at 19:45 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence

Roll call was taken.

Previous month's minutes and accepted.

Treasurer's Report:
Read and accepted.

Chief:

Aug Stats

Total Calls: **32**

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 4	Canceled Enroute 8	Animal Rescue 1
Motor Vehicle Acc 3	Wires Down 1	Gas Leak 1
Electrical Problems 1	Smoke Scare 1	Medical Assist 1
Flood Assessment 11	Water Rescue 1	

Notes:

We had a large rain storm come though the western part of the state and drop approximately 6.5 inches of rain in a short period of time. Bethel as a whole did not suffer as much as other area towns, but we did have several calls for flood assessment and assisted one driver from their vehicle. Thank you to the members who staffed the firehouse to ensure we responded during the weather emergency.

As I mentioned in separate emails, our 3 students from the Brookfield class, Giulianna, Emilly and Mike, passed their written test and their practicals for their EMT. They all have their EMT licenses. Remember you must have at least one EMT on the call that is 18 or older. Congratulations to all three of them.

We also had a student in the Brookfield EMT class that just finished, and congratulations to Valeska on passing the class and good luck on the National Exam.

There is a fire I class starting in Bethel. We have several students taking the class. Chief Evanska can speak on how the class is going.

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We had the Bridgewater parade a few weeks ago. As usual the trucks looked great and we were well represented. Unfortunately we did not come home with a trophy but it was not from a lack of effort. Thank you to all who help preparing the apparatus and marching. We will get them next year.

Nothing new to report on the new firehouse software. We are still working with the vendor on importing data.

Still waiting on the town to finish the TV project. I am aware of the speaker issue in the bays. I have approved the work order to upgrade the system out there. The company who installed the phone system will upgrade the power supply and put in 4 new speakers which should fix the volume and clarity issues.

We have been sharing pictures of the new fire apparatus as it is being built. If you haven't seen it let me know. As we get closer we will have the state come in and hold classes on aerial operations. Please make every effort to attend those classes. This is new for the department and all responders need to know how to use it.

I have stopped in and saw the 75th anniversary committee hard at work ensuring this will be the best dinner the department has seen. I want to thank them for all the hard work and dedication they have put in over the past several months. We can all thank them by attending and having a good time.

As I stated last month we have a lot of events for the community coming up for the rest of the year. We need everyone's help to pull it off including the new members. We need 2 way communication. We send out Events, dates and time and you let us know what times you can be there. If you are not getting emails or text messages or if any of your personal information has changed let me know and I will get it updated.

Thank You,

John Baker

John Baker
Chief

Assistant Chief/Training:

Doug Evanska

9/9 – Drill with BFD

9/18 -BFD going to Hebron fire school – let him know if you want to go

9/21 & 9/22 there will be an aerial training class – go on line to sign up

Chief Engineers' Report:

E 1 back in service

Please wash trucks when done with them. Make sure gas is full.

Captains' Report:

Dave Bunting

ShopVac been replaced

Roof leak looked at and fixed

Let him know of any repairs that are needed

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Lieutenants' Report:

S6 John Cole

No Report

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

S7 Jonathan Hart

Swapped bottles on Rescue

Let him know if any issues

S8 Bob Germinaro Sr.

75th Anniversary banner ready

Make sure you clean your gear

Let him know if there are any changes to your gear

Any rips or tears, let him know.

EMS Captian's Report:

Jim Mangi

There were 99 calls for the month of August, 2024, giving us 864 (99*765) calls for the year, compared to

822 in 2023 (a 5% increase). In August:

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

14 volunteers made at least 1 call.

The top responding officers were:

- o Chief John Baker with 25 calls
- o Chief Engineer Matt Gunter with 8 calls
- o Fire Captain Dave Bunting with 7 calls

The top responding members were:

- o Jeff Blanch with 22 calls
- o Chuck Cywin with 9 calls
- o Oleg Iazzetta with 6 calls

ERM made 50 calls as a complete crew.

ERM completed the crew with a volunteer on 13 calls.

Of the 99 calls,

- o 58 (38+6+14) were BLS (do not include transferred care calls as they could be ALS)
- o 28 were ALS
- o 6 were RMA's (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 14 treated and refused transport (include this number with BLS calls)
- o 1 treated and care transferred (Stony Hill 2nd call, assist, or A3 OOS)
- o 3 canceled en route
- o 10 canceled prior to response
- o 3 no patient found
- o 1 dead on scene
- o 0 Fire Standby
- o 31 (27+4) Bethel Health Care
- o 9 Maplewood of Bethel
- o 13 night call(s) (between 22:00 and 06:00)
- o 2 first call(s) covered by mutual aid.
- o 6 second (or additional) call(s) covered by mutual aid.

Per OEMS minors cannot run a call, which means they cannot complete a crew. Those under 18

will be left as Trainees in our scheduling tool, WhenToHelp.

Please import the CAD information for ALL charts. Some information is not being specified correctly, such as the run number and/or CAD number missing digits.

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For run numbers, remember to look at the list of calls in the CAD import screen with the filter off.

Use the assigned number if it appears to be the Stony Hill EMS number. Change the run number only if it appears to be the Bethel EMS number or a Fire dispatch number. At this time of year, both the Bethel EMS and Fire dispatch numbers will be off by more than just a few digits from our recent calls.

EMS Drill will be water rescue at Bethel VFD on 9/16. 3 CMEs.

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

Captain Jim Mangi or EMS Lieutenant Chelsea Connors

EMS Lieutenant's Report

Chelsea Connors

MRT and EMT refresher class to be held in Brookfield – see flyer for details

Let her know of any issues with A3

Truck Reports

Engine 1:

Dan Spinella

Check engine light came back on. Issue with the fan sensor. New one on order

The forward and rear passenger side compartments have been changed.

The floating & pancake strainer have been relocated to the forward compartment.

The chimney kit has been moved to the rear compartment with the chain saw.

The gas cans and the Ram Fan have been removed from the truck.

Fill tank when $\frac{3}{4}$ or less

Wash truck when done with calls

Engine 3:

Chuck Cywin

No Report

Check power steering fluid

Check fuel when done with truck

Make sure everything is put back they way you found them

Throw out any garbage when done with truck

Wash truck when done with call

Rescue 2:

Rick Courchene

No Report

Make sure everything is put back the\ way you found them

Make sure radios are turned to the correct channel

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

Wash when done with calls

A3:

TBD

Make sure engine brake is being used

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

Wash after using

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Utility 5:

Vanessa Duarte

No Report

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

Wash when done with calls

Safety Report:

Tom Galliford

No Report

Fire Police:

Eugene Reelick

No Report

Membership:

Eugene Reelick

Sent applications for background check

Public Relations:

Nick Devita

BMX race Sept 21st and 22nd

Thank you to all who attended First Responder night at the BMX track

Grievance:

Bob Germinaro Sr.

No report

Board of Directors:

Chuck Cywin

Tony Rubino

Jay Streaman

Reviewing multiple items

Working on next years budget

Correspondence:

None

Bills:

None

By-Laws:

Ken Parciasepe, Tom Galliford, Ernie LeClerq

Working on some new

No Report

Illness:

Ken Parciasepe

No Report

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Fund Drive:

Tom Galliford

Donations coming in

Also, link on our Facebook and Instagram pages

Special Activities:

2024 will be SHFD's 75th Anniversary. Committee: Jon Menti – Chairman, Tony Rubino and Jay Streaman looking at locations. Scheduled for Oct 19th, 24 at the Amber Room.

Ads coming in

Sunday Sept 8th is the CT United Ride. Meet at the FD at 11am, leave by 11:30 to stage

Upcoming Events

October – Hollandia's Fall Festival 5th and 6th. Need everyone to help out

October – 75th Anniversary dinner 10/19

October – Pancake Breakfast – Jon and Karla

November – Annual Food Drive 23rd

December – Santa Run 21st

Old Business:

Dues are Due

New Business:

Elections coming up – if you want to run for a position, make sure you are qualified

Good of the Company:

Volunteers needed for all the upcoming events

Bob Leonard changed status to Associate Member

Meeting adjourned at 20:30 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robyn Leonard, Secretary