

Colebrook Fire Department
Forge Company
May 7, 2024, Monthly Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Todd Hiller, Dan Butler, John Parenteau, Maggie Parenteau, Elizabeth Norman, Sean Barry, Rick Tillotson, Nora Ely, Shawn Thibault, Terry Phelan, Maureen Bascetta, Brad Bremer, David Mann, Chris Beaulieu, Bryce Zygmunt, Steve Sartirana, Bill Hiller. (Absent due to FF1: Evan Sartirana)

Deputy Chief Hiller called the regular monthly meeting of the Colebrook Fire Department Forge Company to order at 19:05 hours.

Reading and approval of minutes:

Elizabeth Norman presented the minutes from the March meeting. With there being no discussion or amendments to the minutes, a motion was made by Steve Sartirana and seconded by Terry Phelan to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Treasurer and bills for payment:

Treasurer Maggie Parenteau presented the monthly bills and account balances. With there being no other discussion or amendments to the report, a motion was made by Terry Phelan and seconded by Bryce Zygmunt to accept the report as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications, correspondence, and notices:

Information was sent out about the water class in Riverton. Deputy Chief Hiller asked who would like to attend. Shawn, Nora, David and Terry plan to attend. A motion was made to allocate up to \$1000 for students to attend. Terry Phelan made a motion and John Parenteau seconded. The motion passed.

Matt Wilson from West Hartland sent an email asking questions about the new truck.

We got a request to renew Fire House magazine for less than \$4. Terry Phelan moved that we renew the subscription and Shawn Thibault seconded. The motion passed.

Report of Committees:

The Truck Committee went to the factory in Pennsylvania to inspect the truck; it was a good and successful visit. They are hoping to complete the truck in May, so we could pick it up over Memorial Day weekend. We will be paying about 1 percent for essential add-ons. John Parenteau moved that we accept the additional costs.

Admission of applications for new membership:

None.

Old Business:

We are in the process of purchasing new nozzles.

Maggie Parenteau raised the question of whether Maureen Bascetta is a voting member of Colebrook Forge. Deputy Chief Hiller found her original application and affirmed that she is.

New Business

The Trail Riders breakfast sign ups are at the front. We discussed whether the profits would be split between the companies. Chief Barry will confirm this with the Center officers and let us know.

Once the new truck gets here, we had talked about doing a christening of the truck. We can make it a fun day for the town. We make it a mini fair event. We may combine this with an Open House.

John Parenteau is in process of testing IAMResponding. He confirmed that he it works with CAD. We will receive an email to download the app with a login and temporary password. We plan to start rolling this out to select people and then to everyone. We will get calls on both until Rover stops working or is deleted.

Chief's Report

The Chief gave the report on the joint account and shared the details with Maggie Parenteau. The grant from the Trail Riders was put in the joint account.

Chief Barry thanked everyone who attended Obie's funeral and the clean up.

He thanked everyone who came out to vote on the fundraising policy, and he thanked the officers who worked on the policy.

Terry Phelan made a motion to go into Executive Session. Shawn Thibault seconded. The motion passed.

Terry Phelan moved that we come out of Executive Session. Deputy Chief Hiller seconded. The motion passed.

For the good of the Company:

Being no further business, a motion was made by Nora Ely and seconded by Terry Phelan to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 20:30 hours following the pledge of allegiance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary