

Colebrook Fire Department
Forge Company
July 2, 2024, Monthly Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Todd Hiller, Dan Butler, John Parenteau, Maggie Parenteau, Elizabeth Norman, Rick Tillotson, Nora Ely, Shawn Thibault, Maureen Bascetta, David Mann, Evan Sartirana, Steve Sartirana, Bryce Zygmunt, Chris Johnstone, Scott Shahmanesh, T.J. Strahan and Bill Hiller.

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 June meeting. With there being no further discussion or amendments to the minutes, a motion was made by Bryce Zygmunt and seconded by Shawn Thibault 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. She also reported on some supplies that were purchased as well as a reimbursement received. With there being no other discussion or amendments to the report, a motion was made by Bryce Zygmunt and seconded by Shawn Thibault to accept the report as read. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications, correspondence, and notices:

We received a donation from the Gin and Chowder Club.

Report of Committees:

There were no committee meetings. The Truck Committee is working on brackets.

Admission of applications for new membership:

None.

Old Business:

Hose testing is set for Monday, July 8th. John Parenteau, David Mann and Chris Johnstone have volunteered for hose testing. Deputy Chief Hiller plans to attend as well.

The parking lot will also be paved on July 8th.

John Parenteau gave an update on the apps. Next week, we should switch over to the LCD System, so we should switch over to the new FireTech app next week. The new software has a group rate of around \$2900/year for three years. We have a grant that will pay for \$2600 of this. John will email the Chief about this.

The Trail Riders event raised \$6,160. After expenses, we netted over \$5K which was deposited in the joint account.

For the truck christening event, we will invite Winsted, Riverton, Norfolk and Tolland, MA, to bring their trucks.

New Business

At the joint meeting last night, we voted to have a joint website with the option to donate.

We are working on a new appeal letter that will also include the option to give online.

David Mann reminded people to send ideas for grant proposals “wish list.”

Rick Tillotson reported that another emergency operations plan, a medical version, will be coming out soon.

John Parenteau distributed I.D. cards.

Appreciation was shared for everyone who helped prepare the station for paving, as well as to Bryce Zygmunt and Terry Phelan’s family member for bringing equipment.

For the good of the Company:

Being no further business, a motion was made by Maureen Bascetta and seconded by Steve Sartirana to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 20:07 hours following the pledge of allegiance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary