

**Colebrook Volunteer Fire Department
Joint Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2025**

MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: Sean Barry, Benjamin Bartlett, Todd Correll, Chris Kesl, Evan Sartiranan, Shawn Thibault, Nora Ely, Dan Butler, Craig Carfiro, Jon Gray, Hannah McCaw, Sarah Carfiro, John Fredsall, Sandra Carfiro, Steve Sartirana, Gary D'Addario, Kevin Robichaud, Chauntelle Masslon, Aden Ruwet, Laura Bartlett, Bob Bull

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: Brad Bremer

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

- The secretary's report was read. A motion was made by Ben Bartlett and seconded by Gary D'Addario to accept the secretaries report as read. The motion passed.
- The treasurer's report read. A motion was made by Ben Bartlett and seconded by Gary D'Addario to accept the treasurer's report as read. The motion passed.
- Communications: None.
- Committee reports: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board of Finance left the fire department budget 25/26 proposal as is. Public hearing is this Thursday, April 10th at 7PM. Referendum is on May 6th. Please come and show your support.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Jeff Coleman was presented with a 50 year service award axe. A special thanks also to his wife, Maureen for her support.

CHIEF UPDATES:

- Discussed purchasing 3 radios, 1 for chief and 2 for deputies. Runs about \$2,500 each. Possibly buying just a few tri-bands in the trucks. Will table this for further discussion.
- The change over date for the new LCD dispatching system regarding dispatch channel and response channel is on May 12th. Another night will be available for radio programming by Gary.
- Mid-year officer meeting coming up. Please think of training that would be of interest to us. Sean brought up UTV training.
- Trail Riders fundraiser is on May 17 and 18th. Discussed doing the fundraiser together and put all funds raised into the joint account. Sign up sheets will be posted at both firehouses.
- There is a new department sign in sheet.
- Alpine software all set. If you're an officer please sign in and complete the reports that you were in command of. *For brush fire call types, please check in with Sean.
- A motion was made by Hannah McCaw and seconded by Gary D'Addario to remove Ben Bartlett from the Northwestern Community Bank Accounts and in turn add Sean Barry, Colebrook Fire Dept. Chief to the bank accounts. The motion was passed unanimously.
- A motion was made by Kevin Robichaud and seconded by Ben Bartlett to nominate Nora Ely as the training officer. The motion passed unanimously.
- A special thanks to everyone that helped with teaching classes.

COMMITTEE'S- Will be looking for interested members from both companies to fill positions on the bi-law committee/tax abatement committee.

TRAINING:

Live burn April 29th at Burrville Fire School 6 PM.

Check for weekly training updates from Nora.

ADJOURNMENT:

The department recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Respectful Submitted,

Hannah McCaw
Secretary
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