

HFD Board Meeting 01.11.2021

Members:

Chief Roger Bissen

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum

1st Captain Chad Butler

2nd Captain Chad Kroger

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger

President Tim Pederson

Secretary Connie Miller

Treasurer Madi Doonan

Board Member Richard Petersen

Board Member Zach Jensen

Board Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson. Minutes were read from the Board Meeting from December (12.14.20). Motion to approve the minutes was given by 3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger and 2nd by 2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy. All were in favor of motion, motion was carried.

Chief Roger Bissen:

We had ordered some loose equipment in December we are still waiting on a butterfly valve and a gas meter.

Budget looks good, looking at approval soon – March 31st.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum went over the print approval for the replacement of Unit 32. The details involving the truck, cab, and outside details.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Nothing to Report

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Nothing to Report

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Nothing to Report

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

Updating EMS records, so will be getting in contact with members to get that information.

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Nothing to Report

Board Member Richard Petersen:

Nothing to Report

Board Member Zach Jensen:

Nothing to Report

Attendance was review for 4th quarter

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy made a motion to take Zach Jensen off probation, the motion was 2nd by 2nd Captain Chad Kroger. All were in motion, motion was carried

Good for the Board:

Be careful responding to call that might be COVID positive, use the proper PPE.

Submitted By,

Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 01.18.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 12.21.2020 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by 1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler and 2nd by 3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger. All were in favor of motion, motion was carried.

Application and Resignation:

There was a new application for Alex Blum – application will be tabled for 30 days before voting.

Chief Roger Bissen:

There are treats in the kitchen from Fareway for a thank you

Sent text message about door decals option for Unit 32 – did anyone have any ideas, if so we can discuss options later.

Drain pumps after calls and make sure switches are off and everything is charging correctly

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Check thermal and gas detectors

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Nothing to Report

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Nothing to Report

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Nothing to Report

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

EMT's – need a copy of Driver License, EMT Certification, and CPR Certification

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

When finding items on the truck that need fixed or updated please put on the board along with your initials, so if there are any questions pertaining to the issue.

Fire Calls were reviewed

Good for the Department:

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger asked if the vaccine for COVID was a one time thing – Chief Roger said no and will provide form.

Submitted By,
Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 02.15.2021

Meeting was called to order – minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 02.15.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by 3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger and 2nd by Richard Peterson. All were in favor of motion, motion was carried.

Applications and Resignation:

The department needed to vote on Alex Blum's applications. The department voted by secret ballot and the vote for Alex was yes.

Chief Roger Bissen:

We have a new Camera used for zoom meetings

Does anyone have any more input on the decal for Unit 32?

There will be more talk about the decal at next months meeting

Continue to drain pumps after every calls

There is a training burn on February 27th – training burn is for FF1 and all other members as well.

March 2nd will be the backup date for this training burn

Little George A-frame shelter will be burn down as well – more information to come

Since we didn't have our annual banquet – the award for Fire Fighter of the year needs to be announce – for the year 2020 the Fire Fighter of the year is Justin Schechinger.

Northwest Regional Fire School will be March 13th through the 14th. If you are interested please let Chief Roger know, he has the paperwork for more information.

Chief Roger received more pales of the F500 foam – we used the foam on the garage fire a few calls ago.

As you all might have noticed there was a different text that was sent out from, I Am Responding regarding tonight's meeting – Chief Roger is utilizing the calendar on I Am Responding.

There are Class A shirts for sizing – both for men and women.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Remember to drain the pumps right away due to the low temps.

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Nothing to Report

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Next training night will start at 6:00 pm – it will be Ice Rescue training

The Monday night training time might be changed to 6:00pm instead of 7:00pm; as well as, there might be Saturday Trainings

Upcoming Training:

In April we will have racetrack training for the races.

Ventilation & search rescue training

Big Rig Rescue

Haz Mat Tech Class

Water Pumping & Shuttle pumping

F500 training

March 10th, 11th, and 12th – Active Shooter training

Drone Pilot Training / 107 class – let Chief Roger and Ryne know if you are interested

Do we still want to do Fire Fighter Olympics? – Some members did voice that they would like to have another one – more information to come

EMR class has been cancelled due to money

We are thinking about putting a Facebook post on the Harlan Fire & rescue page for vehicles to train on (Ryne will find dates and can narrow down from there)

March 4th there will be saw team meeting – if you are interested please let Ryne know.

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

Medic 26 needs to be left running if outside of the station due to the medication that is in the bags – make sure the heater is on high.

When it comes to Image trend make sure your report as many details as possible – Incident number, and year/run number, and details of HFD members duties on the call.

When helping Medivac on a Lift assist make sure you get the face sheet from the hospital to add to the report

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Make sure that you oiled your boots – this needs to be done twice a year

28 needs chargers still

Make sure things are being plugged in

Check engines, generators, and anything that needs plugged in.

Good for the Department:

Fire Calls were reviewed

Saturday will be FF1 testing (February 20th)

Gene Gettys:

Congratulations to Alex and Justin

There will be a Public hearing on the budget

Mike Kolbe:

Congratulations to Justin

Jay Christensen:

Had questions regarding water freezing during these calls and the low temperatures

Chief Roger explain that we do train for these situations and that the main thing is keeping the water running. In the long run with these low temps we will have issues.

Submitted By,

Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 03.15.2021

Meeting was called to order – with 26 members being present and 2 members being excused by Chief Roger Bissen. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 02.15.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Richard Petersen and 2nd by Kyle Miller. All were in favor of motion, motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

No new applications or resignations currently.

Chief Roger Bissen:

The decal options for Unit 32 were discussed - nothing was decided at this time but will be discussed at the Board Meeting in April.

The warmer temperature we can stop draining the pumps.

We need to add a voting delegate for the IFA – 2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum made a motion for Chief Roger Bissen to be Harlan Fire Departments representative for absent T ballot. Motion was 2nd by Richard Petersen, all were in favor.

There are some grass burns that are on the list. Kirkman would like to participate in those burns. One has 85 acres, so a lot of help is needed.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

If you haven't tried on sizes for the new Class A shirts – please do so.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Nothing to Report

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Races are starting in a couple weeks (April 10th) – this year the racetrack is trying to do different things.

Next training night lets switch equipment around for the races.

Racetrack training will be April 17th.

Also wanted to extend a congratulations to the Firefighter One class for passing their skills.

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

The control grass burn will be based on a day-to-day basis

DNR might have some burn to help with.

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

The EMT's are being offer zoom meeting for training – you will get that information through your email.

This is a great thing to have make sure you are getting on and completing some of these training; we don't want to lose this because of no interest.

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

The leaf blower is getting sent it to get fix.

Good for the Department:

Matt Worthley mention that the American Legion is doing a breakfast on March 21st – it will be a drive through.

Submitted By,
Connie Miller – Secretary

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HFD Meeting Minutes 4.19.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson. Minutes were read by Treasurer Madi Doonan; due to Secretary Connie Miller being gone on maternity leave, from the March meeting (3.15.2021). Motion to approve the minutes was given by Allison Taylor and 2nd by 1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen. All were in favor; motion was carried.

Application and/or Resignation:

There was a new application for Dillon Willadsen for Fire Fighter and Paramedic. Still needs interview and will be voted on next month.

Chief Roger Bissen:

Gator has been repaired. Owner manual says operate in low – Don't run in high!

We are currently using EMA's trailer for the gator, so be careful while driving. Plan to eventually use streamer trailer for the gator.

There have been comments on people (new members) getting kicked out of trucks – with only one new member on the department, there is no need to kick newer members off of trucks.

When it comes to high angle rescue, water rescue, go off the members training status, for other calls get newly trained members on the nozzles. Also, they have been called newbies – do not call members newbies.

Brought up about policies – travel and meal. Meal policy needs description of what was purchased in details. Put alcohol on a separate receipt. Expense Reports give to Chief Roger. With the current water conservation with the city – the law says that there has to be water provide for the fire department.

Be cautious of what we are using water for – people will notice

If need water for fire calls can go to Nisha and/or prairie rose for the dry hydrants

There is a house South East of Corley – Dewayne Carroll.

The property is on 500th St right on the edge of our territory – unknown if trainable on the inside.

Going to do asbestos inspection in a couple of weeks. Want to get house burned before draught season.

Tach Medic Tabletop exercise will be Wednesday the 21st at 6pm.

Good Luck to the Fire Fighter One class as they test for Haz Mat.

F500 is in the Propack & extinguisher for races.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Make sure all vehicles are filled up and everything is put away. After fire calls everyone help out – it will get done faster if everyone helps.

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Thanks for everyone that came to racetrack training

Races are starting at 5:30pm, so we need to be there at 4:30pm. When we arrive at the racetrack, we should go look at the cars to get familiar with them.

There is a checklist for races in on the glass window by the officer's office for items that are needed for the racetrack.

Checks for working the racetrack will be given to you that night. The check for \$325.00 please put in Chief Roger office and he will give it to City Hall.

Tesla Cars when they catch on fire – those fires can last around 4 hours. It would be around 32,000 gallons of water to put it out.

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Bryce from Pheasant Forever wanted to say thank you for helping with the control burns
All that is left to burn is Reinig property.

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

Reminder for all EMS calls – wear proper PPE. CPR in progress, wear N95 mask, gloves, and gown.

The Comm Center will not let us know if the patient is exposed/positive to COVID.

EMT's need to do a report if they go to calls.

There will be an EMT class in June by EMA.

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Wildland Gear is dispersed – make sure you wash the gear

Pager serial number will be recorded – to find it, it is under the battery or outside

Be cautious driving to calls – don't speed or blow stop signs, obey laws

Other Business for the Department:

Fire calls were reviewed

Good for the Department:

Interior Fire Fighters need to watch facial hair – if you have facial hair can't pack up.

Jay Christensen:

Asked about Tanker 30 being out of order. Chief Roger said that it will be in the shop tomorrow.

Good job to everyone

Gene Gettys:

Good to see everyone in person

Key part of City of Harlan – you guys are a “rock n’ roll” department.

Submitted By:

Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 05.17.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson – with 29 members being present and 2 members being excused by Chief Roger Bissen. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 04.19.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by 1st Captain Chad Butler and 2nd by Nate Jacobsen. All were in favor of motion, motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

Department needed to vote on application for Dillon Willadsen. The vote was by secret ballot – the department voted unanimously for Dillon to be a member of the department.

Chief Roger Bissen:

The house burn in Corley has been put on hold – the family needs to talk first and will get back to us about it

Ladder 28 had some issues with the on-board air system

Got someone to look at it and the new pump is ordered.

Memorial Day Weekend

Flags setup on the 27th at 6:00pm

Service will be at 10:00am on Memorial Day

Pickup Flags will be at 6:00pm on Memorial Day

Military Plane at the airport needs to be clean and rid of the bird nest, they are asking for help, possible water to help with the cleaning. If you can help, please let Chief Roger know.

Chris Bylund mention about moving the Haz Mat trailer to another truck instead of Rescue 33 for truck committees. It takes a long time to go through both 33 and the trailer.

Chief Roger said that he will do that.

Make sure you are going through your trucks – there is a lot of standing around

New hydrant at the sanitation well/plant. It is not the best place, but it is a resource.

Confine Space training there is an entry permit - have updated permit to have HFD information on it.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

The left tire on the gator is a little flat

Make sure you are checking your gear – if it needs wash, wash it.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Tanker 34 seat belt on the right side is getting caught in the door, make sure to look out for this, not just on 34 but on all trucks

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Need someone to work for the races

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Is there anything to train on, such as, a house and/or cars?

Chief Roger – we are still working on getting items for training

Thanks to everyone that help for the control burnings

Thank you to all EMS – EMS Week

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

If you take Unit 26 out of town for any reason please remove the medical bag and put it in Rescue 33, let Russ know when Unit 26 is back in town.

EMA has a patient care worksheet the EMT's need to look at the form

Image Trends report need to be done with in 24 hours of call.

Need to make sure when filling out the report that the narrative includes all the information – they have been missing information lately.

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Still need pager serial numbers from some members

The new helmet insert are not fitting

Chief Roger – will investigate that

When it comes to the Gator and fire calls, the gator is being abused.

When driving Gator through a field please use low gear

The hose – need to be careful it is being dragged into the fire; as well as, being ran over.

Treat the equipment like it is yours

The straps are getting lose on the trailer – Be Careful and watch those.

Good for the Department:

How old is the Gator? Is it time to get a new one? Can we get a different brand?

2012, and it is not in the budget anytime soon

When it is time for a new one, we can look at different brands/types

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Connie Miller – Secretary

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HFD Board Meeting 07.12.2021

Chief Roger Bissen

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum

1st Captain Chad Butler

2nd Captain Chad Kroger

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger

Board Member Richard Petersen

President Tim Pederson

Secretary Connie Miller

Treasurer Madi Doonan

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson. Minutes were read from the Board meeting from April (04.12.2021) by Secretary Connie Miller. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Richard Petersen and 2nd by 2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy. All were in favor; motion was carried.

Chief Roger Bissen:

Engine 32 replacement update: (2nd Assistant Chief Bruce)

Cab is built and the body is going into production. Looking at late August for delivery.

The loose equipment is paid for and is in. The 100-watt multi-band radio is not in but is paid for. There is still money left after 1st and 2nd round of orders. The Board discussed items that we need/ look into.

Board members will meet on August 2nd to see a demo of new tools (jaws)

Normal Training for the Department will be August 3rd (Tuesday) at 6:00pm

Handed out Officers and Board members duties to look over.

Went through Policies (Food, Credit Card, Confine Space, Recognition, Physicals, Social Media, Travel, and possible family policy (same truck).

The department discussed about family members responding in the same truck to fire calls. 1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen made a motion that family members can response in the same truck and possibly go into the hot zone together if the need arise (family discretion). The motion was 2nd by 2nd Captain Chad Kroger. All were in favor; motion was carried.

1st Assistant Tom Butler:

A few members have mentioned about getting Jackets, shirts, and/or pins (examples: jobshirts, gray sweatshirt, and/or letterman jackets). The Board discussed how many members need these items and about what would be purchase by the Department and their own. Regarding the "servicing since" pins the members will get those once they are off probation.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Good Job on the call today – are members worked hard today

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Good Job on the call today

Reminder: The ladder truck when using the pump and ariel at the same time it slows everything down – no handline when ariel is in use.

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Good Job on the Call today

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Good Job on the last few calls

Thank you everyone that helped with water delivery

There has been a lot of hesitation on driving trucks and/or operating the pumps – not sure if it is actually not knowing how to drive/operate or if it is just not wanting to do it and wanting to be on the nozzle or going into the fire. There has also been issues with filling the back seats of the truck first and not the driver seat.

Possible Skills Certificate Sheet was discussed – making sure the members know how to handle these skills. Nothing was decided at this time.

Mention about doing Fire Olympics again.

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

Good Job on calls

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

29 has been gone through and re done to add the tool air cylinders on the right side.

Keep track of old radios and get them back into inventory if not in use.

Board Member Richard Petersen:

Nothing to Report

Board Member Zach Jensen:

Nothing to Report

Other Business:

Secretary Connie Miller mention I Am Responding and about using it more. It helps let member know who and who isn't coming. If the member doesn't have the ability to leave work all the time, I Am Responding can help make that decision for them. Chief Roger Bissen will bring it up at the Department meeting on 07.19.2021

Attendance was reviewed

There are some members that need to be voted on to come off probation.

There was a motion by 1st Captain Chad Butler to take Logan Butler, Chris Byland, Hudson Mass, Jackie Weisenborn, and Matt Worthey of probation on 4.12.2021. The motion was 2nd by 1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen – all were in favor; motion was carried.

There were a few members attendance that was discussed and Chief Roger Bissen will reach out to those members.

Dillion Willadsen received training at a credited college for Fire Fighter 1 and 2 – that training will be acceptable for certification.

Submitted by,

Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 08.16.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson – 1 member was excused by Chief Roger Bissen. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 07.19.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Richard Petersen and 2nd by Kyle Miller. All were in favor; motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

Department needed to vote on application for Andy Morris. The vote was by secret ballot – the department voted unanimously for Andy to be a member of the department.

Chief Roger Bissen:

The department needs to vote on a voting delegate for the IFA Fire Convention.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum made a motion for Chief Roger Bissen to be our voting delegate.

Motion was 2nd by Kristi Pederson: all were in favor.

Alex Blum has finished his skills and is done with FF1 – he did a great job at being self-motivated and completing his classes.

Fire Fighter 2 class – planning on January, it would be 80 hours

Haz Mat Tech Class in December – Tri-County Teams needs to attend as much as possible

The new Engine 32 will be ready. Planning on living September 21st, Final Review on Wednesday and will come home on Thursday the 23rd.

There has been talk about a possible new position – Code Enforcement Officer/Assistant Chief. No decision has been made yet still in the early stages, just having the discussion.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

If you are going to pack-up, you need to make sure you shave for both training and calls.

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Discussed the tools the were demo by the board members on August 2nd and 9th. The Board decided on the Amkus. Chief Roger has the quotes for the tools.

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Nothing to Report

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

If anyone needs to sew on the patches onto the new Class A white shirts – Ryne's mom can help with that.

CEDA Fire School is coming up

The pike polls on Ladder 28 are getting a grip system put on them – working on all tools

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

Reminder: EMS students are not allowed to have any patient contact until they pass their National EMT Test.

There hasn't been a report done for any patient contact in a while, this is something the state tracks; so make sure you are doing that – any questions let Lieutenant Russ know.

There will be a state employee coming soon to do an inspection for EMS items – The EMT's need to go through the trucks (Unit 26 & Rescue 33) to get them ready for the inspector.

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

There was some gear left in the trucks – let Lieutenant Justin know if you are missing anything

Fire Calls were reviewed

Good for the Department:

Alex Blum wanted to Thank everyone for the help during him studying and testing for his Fire Fighter 1 class.

The new members that have mismatched gear will be higher priority to get new gear, but must be mindful of budget

Mallie made "HFD" stickers for the tools

Richard Petersen mentioned that the equipment needs to be put back on the truck and correctly – The call at West Park the hose was not attached to the truck.

Submitted By,

Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 9.20.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson – 3 members were excused by Chief Roger Bissen. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 08.16.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Richard Petersen and 2nd by Allison Taylor. All were in favor; motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

None currently

Chief Roger Bissen:

Homecoming Parade is the 24th at 2:00pm

There are some meat and cheese trays and Powerade that were donated by Mike Maas at Fareway
Fire Prevention Week is October 3rd through the 9th – has a schedule for all members to sign up for events through the week

Need to get Haz Mat suits tested

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Nothing to Report

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Last weekend for the races is this weekend (the 25th)

Since this is my last year doing the races who would like to do it next year. If you are interested let him and Chief Roger know

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

There will be an EMT class in Woodbine – this is not the hybrid class it will be a full course. It will be from December to March, every Tuesday and Thursday

We need to start thinking of classes/training for next year

Need to setup a training for the new truck (32)

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

EMT's need to get together to go over Medic26

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Need to make sure that radios are charging correctly – make sure you are setting them in correctly

Found trash in truck – after a call clean out truck, during meeting nights CLEAN TRUCKS

FIRE CALLS WERE REVIEWED

Good for the Department

2nd Lieutenant Russ discussed Ryne and Madi's wedding and about availability – Roger took count of who would be available for calls.

Since there will be a lot of EMT's gone – if you need mask and gown for EMT's call – let Russ know

Submitted By,
Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 10.18.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson – 4 members were excused by Chief Roger Bissen. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 09.20.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Richard Petersen and 2nd by Chris Bylund. All were in favor; motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

None currently

Chief Roger Bissen:

December 3rd – 4th and 10th -12th there will be Haz Mat Class. Tri County members need to attend and if you are interested in being a Tri County member you also should attend.

Fire Fighter 2 class are looking at starting in January

Image Trend training will be tomorrow the 19th and Thursday the 21st at 6:00pm. Should attend both; you can attend either at the Comm Center or by Webinar.

Fresh Encounter would like a station tour tomorrow at 1:00pm – is there anyone that would be able to do that. 2nd Captain Chad and 1st Lieutenant Ryne said they could.

Regarding the page today for extrication with farm machine – it could be faster to use actual tools out. It all depends on the equipment that they are trap in, you might have to use different techniques.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

We are starting to pull mask from the members that are not shaved. This will be on a month-to-month basis (meeting to meeting)

Names were called and masks were turned in.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Are there any questions on the new 32 –

The issues with the power in the EMS cabinet – we are looking into it.

Make sure you are looking through trucks, items have been moved around especially in 32 and 34.

31 where the oil cans were needs power washed the dry deck has started to deteriorate, we need to make sure to do that on all trucks.

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

The west door needs to make sure we are shutting it all the way – Chief Roger will investigate that.

For right now with arm being broken he will be driver/pumper operator – looking at late December for arm.

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

The Hawk tool is on 28 in R1

There are nozzles on the high-rise packs on 32 and 34

Mary Yates has a car that she wants gone – we will use for training on November 13th at 9:00am

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

Medic 26 was wash and wiped down, but today it was super dirty, which during an inspection that is a “ding” – please make sure you are cleaning it after every call.

Classes for EMT's have been sent out through email so make sure you are looking at those. February 4th through the 6th will be the EMS Conference.

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Nothing to Report

FIRE CALLS WERE REVIEWED

Good for the Department:

Matt Worthley mentioned his candidacy for the School Board. There are a few new faces, and each candidate will have a bio in the newspaper.

Nate Jacobsen has floor plans for Essentia and wanted to know if the department would like them.

Chief Roger asked what format they are in – electronic would be best, but we will take whatever they have. Nate also mention that since we do have a few new members if anyone is interested in taking a tour of Essentia. It would have to be a small group due to COVID standards. Chief Roger asked if it could be more than one small group tour or was it just one – Nate said that he thought it was just one group, but he will check.

Submitted By,

Connie Miller – Secretary

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Meeting Minutes 11.15.2021

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson – 2 members were excused by Chief Roger Bissen. Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from 10.18.2021 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Allison Taylor and 2nd by Kyle Miller. All were in favor; motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

None Currently

Chief Roger Bissen:

The department received a letter and a picture of Engine 32 from Pierce – will be out if you would like to see and read the letter.

Haz Mat Tech Class that was the December 10th – 12th has been cancelled and rescheduled for January 7th – 9th

Fire Fighter 2 class will be starting in January. The class is 80 hours, will be held in Harlan, and will be a Tuesday and Thursday class schedule.

Image Trend training is the 16th and 18th from 6-8pm

There are poster that need to be judged from Fire Prevention week. Need a couple of people to do that. Kristi Pederson and Allison Taylor volunteered to judge the posters.

We need to vote for Fire Fighter of the year. Please fill out the ballot and return to Chief Roger tonight (11.15.21)

Need to clean up glass at the training ground for mowing purposes, also need to remember that for future trainings

November 27th Santa Claus is coming and needs someone to drive him to the square. Patrick Gaul said he can drive him from the Fire Hall to the square.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Chris Bylund and Nate Jacobsen get their mask back.

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

When leaving in a truck for a call make sure you are closing the garage door; especially, during the wintertime.

During the extrication class that we had - there was discussion about possible tools. Chief Roger ask if he could have that list of tools.

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Nothing to Report

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

Reminder to slow down when headed to call – this includes heading to the station, as well as the scene.

Make sure we are filling the trucks up with gas and water after each call, so they are ready for the next.

When on a call members need to focus on the job at hand and do the job the officer tells you to do. This also goes for members staying with the truck that you responded in and staying with your team.

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen

Thank you everyone that came out to Extrication training

Unit 33 was having issue with its lights – 2nd Assistant Chief Bruce got in contact and as of right now we will keep an eye on it.

Fire School is July 22nd – 24th

Make sure you are checking your gear and equipment – make sure it is working and that your gear doesn't have any rip, tears, and/or holes.

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

BLS critique is November 29th from 6-9pm

EMS Conference is February 4th – 6th

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Nothing to Report

Good for the Department:

Logan Butler mention about making sure members are using I AM Responding for calls. By using I Am Responding not only does that help other members know who is and isn't able to respond incase they have work restrictions, but it also helps the Comm Center know if they need to dispatch another department.

Submitted By,

Connie Miller – Secretary

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