

Department Board Meeting 01.19.26

Department Meeting was called to order by President Chris Bylund. The minutes from December's meeting on 12.15.25 were read by Secretary Mary Yates. Motion to approve December's minutes was given by 1st Assistant Chief Bruce Blum and 2nd by Madi Nelsen. All were in favor of motion. Motion carried.

Board minutes were read.

New Member application Danielle Finken was read. She is a FF1 and EMT. Members voted. Application denied.

Chief Roger Bissen

Alex Londo here to discuss Tango/Tango. He is programming radios. If there are any issues with Tango/Tango, let Alex know. There is a cost of \$1800/channel. He can add more. Right now, we have a dedicated radio. Fire page, Fire Tac 1, and Law Enforcement cost \$6,000 for those 3 channels. Private channels are free. For the races, we will have a small radio – we have a cache of 5. Right now, Alex cannot do radio programming. The vendor, Chris, needs to do it. In the process to learn how to do it and get the software to do it. Will let Roger know when we will do the radio programming. Putting new radios in the schools. Last time Chris just showed up at his door. Talked to Joe to see when we can program. Roger asked for 2-3 days so we could get radios from people. Alex will call Joe this week. Got a new Motorola vendor and can get it for free. Austin will need to put it on Alex's computer. Within the next six months, Alex will be able to program. It costs \$75 every time Chris comes out. It will be free once Alex can program. Hopefully, we can update the Kenwoods. Chief Roger Bissen asked if we can realign things. Couldn't reach the towers. Chris is supposed to update that also. Updates should happen tonight. 1st Assistant Bruce Blum asked if we had issues with Tango/Tango, who do we contact. Alex said to call him. He asked if there is supposed to be a tone activation. Go to notifications. Tango/Tango has added text messaging. We should only get one message on IAR. Alex has nothing else.

Fire School – Chief Roger Bissen has 3 rooms at the Hampton Inn – Logan, Keaton, Ryne & Madi.

Firefighter Day on the Hill on Jan 29th

City Employee Recognition – Feb 6th anyone interested in going? - Needs to turn in RSVP by tomorrow. If you decide to go, let Chief Roger Bissen know by tomorrow.

FDIC – Apr 21st-24th – Chief Roger Bissen shows Alex, Logan, Keaton, & Ryne going. Anyone else?
No

Storm Spotters Class – Mar 19th at 1800. They are feeding people at Panama Fire. National Weather Service is teaching. It will be about 1 ½ hours. Good to take. There is a new meteorologist coming out to teach. Alex will be putting it on Facebook.

July will be a busy month. Between 4th of July, fair and Silver Dollar Nationals.

Safer Grant through IFA. We are participating in it. There is a sign out front. We will get another sign. Could put on our Facebook page.

1st Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Good job at the structure fire. Apologized for missing the hydrant. Did not see it.

1st Captain Ryne Nelson:

Read by President Chris Bylund. Hose on 34, LDH, needs to be washed off from the fire, and the bed. If it can wait two more weeks, we can use it for water rescue training night. Contact Captain Ryne Nelsen if someone wants to wash it before.

1st Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

EMTs - If we do lift assists, make sure reports are getting done. Some reports are missing.

2nd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

Who got pagers programmed tonight? Everyone but Chad, Logan, and Mary. Chief Roger Bissen will get his done tomorrow. Take pagers to President Chris Bylund or Chief Roger Bissen – they can get it to Alex. There was a Seek in Officer's office. It is an old one. 2nd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger will pitch. It won't work.

Need password for the computer in the office.

Gator's battery is shot. Street department tried to start. Will put a new battery in it.

Captain Ryne Nelsen covered LDH on 34.

Regarding the call on Saturday. 1st call was a CO Alarm. Got back to the station. 2nd page could have potentially been bad – only 2 on the truck. Be sure to respond if you can.

It was asked if we should call for mutual aid if only one person is responding. (Logan?)

3rd Lieutenant Richard Petersen:

Read by President Chris Bylund. Ice rescue training will be at 1800. Be here by 1800. Board Member Jacob Hazen asked if we were going to do CPR also.

Fire Calls:

Thank you from Heiners - Joe and Shandy Olsen

Good for the department:

Chad

- When driving to calls, if it is just an alarm & the people are out, we don't need to drive 10-33. Ask dispatch to be sure people are out.

- Believes it is a conflict for 3rd Lieutenant Richard Petersen to be the HFD liaison. It was noted that 3rd Lieutenant Richard Petersen would just relay info to the City Council. Discrepancies might be a problem. How do we know if it will get it up to them. Believe we should have a different liaison. Should be an outsider. Jarvis said we could switch it around – it is not a problem. Liaisons are appointed by the Mayor.

Logan – when we have limited resources with no response – we should page for mutual aid. We did have 4 people at the laundromat. It is better to have too many than not enough.

1st Assistant Chief Bruce Blum – please use IAR to respond.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Mary Yates, Secretary

These minutes are as recorded by the secretary and are subject to Department approval at the next regular meeting.