

## **Morris VFD 9/18/2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday 9/18/2017 by V. Steinway. The pledge of allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence.

Voting members in attendance: V. Aiello, N. Cast, Ken Cast, K. DeRoehn, D. Teddick, B. Teddick, M. Silver, B. Duffy, L. Duffy, T. Duffy, M. Bach, K. Shemms, V. Steinway.

Non-Voting members in attendance: None.

Juniors: None.

13 voting members, 0 non-voting members, 0 juniors.

### **Secretary's report**

Motion by N. Cast to accept the minutes from last month's meeting. Motion seconded by K. Shemms. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Treasurer's report**

Report for the month of August passed around to members.

Motion made by N. Cast to accept the treasurer's report for the month of August, 2017. Motion seconded by K. Shemms. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Shemms to pay the bills. Motion seconded by N. Cast. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Chief's report**

At the LCD Board of Directors Meeting asked if Morris would sponsor the March, 2018 chief's dinner. Takes place 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of March. Will discuss sponsoring sometime later in the year.

Complaint received from a member of the community about use of sirens when fire trucks are being returned to the department. Discussion.

Letter from Selectman with regard to agreement. Response sent.

Emergency Management Director discussion re: borrowed light tower.

Team of boats discussion re: hurricane aide. "Water Rescue".

End of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter approaching: if missing drills, etc., get letter to the executive committee.

Pension information discussion. Information passed around.

### **Deputy Chief's report**

Drill was preparation for roast beef dinner.

Work night this Thursday. Inventory and truck checks need to be done.

Open house preparations to begin soon.

When operating vehicles, operate always with concern for safety. Be extra careful even when RETURNING from a call, as this is when accidents occur most often when your guard may be down.

### **Captain's report**

No report.

SCBA is scheduled for Thursday of this month (9/21) for air packs.

### **Lieutenant's report**

B. Duffy: No report.

L. Duffy: No report.

P. Turner: Not present; No report.

### **EMS Coordinator's report**

No report.

### **Committee reports**

#### **Chaplain Committee:**

No report.

#### **Executive Committee**

Met on September 15, 2017 to discuss budget and PSA information.

#### **House Committee**

Roast beef dinner held. Pretty good turnout. Positive event for the department. 186 meals served (happy, satisfied customers). Discussion of difficulty for some people to walk up the driveway up to the fire department. Will look into borrowing a golf cart for the next dinner to assist.

#### **Membership and Nominating**

No report.

#### **Woman's Auxiliary:**

Clown has been booked for the open house from 12-3; auxiliary serving hot dogs. Asking members to bake for the event.

### **Audit Committee**

No report.

### **By-Laws Committee**

No report.

### **Fire Prevention and Publicity**

Reminder that October 14, 12-4 open house. Will need help all day starting at 8:00 a.m.; clean up at 4:00.

Extrication drill will be held; fire truck rides; gear for kids to try out.

Discussion.

October 20, 8:30 until around noon: the department will be going to James Morris School for fire prevention week. Those who can assist can meet up at the department at 8:30. **\*\*NOTE\*\*** Call received from the school after monthly meeting and October 20 is not a good date for them. The school will reschedule and the new date and time will be circulated to members. Thank you.\*\*

### **Charity**

David Lee, an EMT with the department for approximately 4 years relocated to NY; died recently. K. DeRoehn made a motion that the department send a \$100.00 donation to the Catskill Animal Sanctuary in David Lee's name. Motion seconded by L. Duffy. Motion carried unanimously.

Jordana Hood's step mother passed away. Service will be held this Sunday (9/24) at Painted Pony at 1:00. Members encouraged to attend.

### **Fundraising**

No additional report.

### **Uniforms and Parade Committee**

No report.

### **Education committee**

No report.

### **Junior Committee:**

No report.

### **Old Business**

Bethlehem having a ball on November 4. Information posted.

### **New Business**

Motion made by K. Cast that we go into Executive session at 8:29. Motion seconded by K. Shemms. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to come out of Executive session at 8:39 made by K. DeRoehn. Motion seconded by K. Shemms. Motion carried unanimously.

Thank yous made by V. Steinway for voting her in as President. She is appreciative and will do her best. She would like members to speak up with ideas and suggestions.

Motion to adjourn made by K. Shemms. Motion seconded by N. Cast. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.