

MINUTES  
CLINTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
January 7, 2019

Chief Manware called the regular meeting of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department to order at 7:30 p.m.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from December 3, 2018:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of December 3, 2018 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

- A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

- Received a card and note thanking the department for the holiday breakfast

Report of Chiefs:

Chief:

- The department held training at the Old Saybrook bowling alley, hope to have 1 to 2 more training days there
- To date, the department has responded to 24 calls
  - Participation has improved
- He reported on the 10-minute response time and the need to respond in 10 minutes or notify him why you were late reporting to duty

Deputy Chief Administration:

- Annual drive report read

Deputy Chief: No report

Deputy Chief EMS:

- The tasks need to be completed otherwise individuals will not be compensated

Assistant Chief:

- The Quarterly sheet is posted – if you are behind in your quarterly requirements, see him
- If the Old Saybrook bowling alley is still standing on Saturday, the department may be able to have another drill
- Next Monday, there will be a power point presentation of the drill held at the bowling alley

Report of Line Officers:

Captain Headquarters: No report

Captain Glenwood: No report

Captain Marine:

- The boat is still in the water
- There will be work detail to reorganize the bench

Captain EMS:

- Annual training for CPR and Lucas will be done through Fire Rescue 1 with hands on for CPR
  - The hands-on portion is scheduled for February, 7, 14 and 18 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

- If you don't want to use Fire Rescue 1 and want a full class, they are scheduled for February 2 and 9 beginning at 9 a.m.
- If you have any questions regarding this annual training schedule, ask C. Jump

Lt. Company 1:

- 951 is out of service

Lt. Company 2:

- A number of people were notified to see B. Perdue after the meeting for their ID tags

Lt. Aerial:

- 971 passed its ladder testing

Lt. Rescue: No report

Lt. EMS 946:

- There are new Lucas cases
- There are new checklists for the ambulance

Lt. EMS 947: No report

Lt. EMS 948:

- The ambulances will be going out for their oil changes

Report of Divisions/ Appointed Positions

Communications Coordinator: No report

Engineer: No report

Quartermaster: No report

Junior Company: No report

Fire Police: No report

Auxiliary: No report

Committee Reports:

Membership:

- There are some filling out the preliminary requirements
- There are two individuals to be interviewed
- A letter was received from Kristopher Struzinski requesting a transfer from Honorary Status (he completed a year of honorary status) back to EMS. He will have to have a physical to complete the process.

Finance: No report

Ways and Means:

- Bingo is scheduled for Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup> – help will be needed.
- The Bingo scheduled for February has been moved to a different date, not to conflict with the banquet.

House: No report

Parade: No report

Social:

- Invitations to the banquet, scheduled for the first Saturday after the first Monday each February, were handed out

Sick and Welfare:

- A card for Matt Brown will be mailed

By-Law:

1. Article III – Department Calendar Year
  - Add: “The fiscal year shall mirror the Town of Clinton’s fiscal year being July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of Department and Municipal financial matters.”
  - Vote taken with the results as follows:  
YES 37  
NO 7 A  
ABS 0
2. Section II – Election Procedures:
  - Flip flop item “C” with item “D” to allow a more consistent flow of the actual procedures pertaining to floor nominations
  - Vote taken with the results as follows:  
YES 37  
NO 5  
ABS 0
3. Article XIII By-Law Amendment Procedure, item D
  - Give the By-Law Committee the right to make clerical changes in the By-Laws
  - Vote taken with the results as follows:  
YES 39  
NO 3  
ABS 1

Nominating:

- Voting took place for both the Finance Board and the Adjudicating Board with the results as follows:

Finance Committee:

D.E. Burns	43
Jeff Hesel	41
Jeff Hessler	43

All three candidates will be on the Finance Board

Adjudicating Board:

Glenn Coffin	36
D.J. Burns	26
Marc Gelven	25
Brian Smith	22
Richard Van Dyke	17
Chris Simoni	5

Coffin, Burns and Gelven are the board members and  
Smith and Van Dyke are the alternate board members

Old Business:

- Committee letters need to be turned in

New Business:

- An EMT/EMR recertification class is scheduled for February 8, 9, 10
- A Lifeguard system ice rescue training is scheduled for February 22, with practicals on Feb 23 and Feb 24
  - Or Killingworth is hosting the ice rescue training on January 28 with practicals on February 3
- Discussed the increase in the number of required calls each member would have to respond to in order to be eligible for LOSAP, tax abatement and active membership
  - The information reviewed to determine the increase and how it would be implemented was shown
  - It was suggested that in the first year 2018-2019 members would have to respond to:
    - By April 30 – respond to 25 calls
    - By October 30 – have a total of 60 calls
    - If the member does not meet the 25 calls by April 30, the October 30 total increases to 70 calls
  - It was suggested that in the second year 2019-2020 members would have to respond to:
    - By April 30 – respond to 40 calls
    - By October 30 – respond to 75 calls
    - If the member does not meet the 40 calls by April 30, the October 30 total increases to 85 calls
  - The third year 2020-2021 would remain at 75 calls
  - A Hardship Committee will review any hardship application submitted by a member
  - This increased call requirement will be posted on the board and then approved by the Corporate Officers
- A gentleman in town has offered to donate a Hurst tool (at a cost of about \$11,000)
  - It was recommended to the membership to do a dual purchase and use the \$4,700 in CEC and \$6,000 from donations to purchase a second Hurst tool
  - A motion was made and seconded to purchase a second Hurst tool as outline by the Chief using funds from the donations line item not to exceed \$6,000. The motion carried unanimously.

Good of the Department: No report

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy McDermott  
Clerk