

MINUTES
CLINTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
April 3, 2017

The Clinton Volunteer Fire Department meeting was called to order by Chief Manware at 7:30 p.m.

All stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of March 6, 2017 meeting.

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017 as posted. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Correspondence:

- Donations in memory of Mr. McGowan and Mrs. Zadronzy continue to come in

Report of Chiefs:

Chief:

- The Public Hearing for the 2017-2018 Town's Operating budget is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12th, please try to attend
- Valley Shore mutual aid was reported on:
 - Watch lamresponding for a class in North Madison
 - A 4-hour lecture is scheduled for the first or second week in May
- There will be radio communication updates:
 - More accountability
 - Mayday
 - Rapid intervention
- The SCBA units will be arriving soon

Deputy Chief Administration:

- The annual drive totals were reported

Deputy Chief:

- Good work getting the trucks out to calls
- If someone needs a drill to complete their quarterlies, see M. Neff
 - Members should get their quarterlies done prior to the arrival of the SCBA units

Deputy Chief EMS:

- The door code for the MCMS was changed today, to obtain the code ask an officer
- Some response times have been 20 minutes or more and that is unacceptable
 - Some members need to improve their response time
- When responding to an incident, bring your portable radios in with you.
- Motor Vehicle Accidents:
 - If you are NOT in the rescue DO NOT go – DO NOT drive your own car to the call
 - You need to be on fire apparatus to go to a motor vehicle accident
 - Juniors can go to motor vehicle accidents but they CANNOT get out of the apparatus
- Psych calls:
 - You can take juniors to non-violent psych calls
 - If psych is violent, juniors need to sit up front or stay behind with a fire officer

Assistant Chief:

- Work will be done to 954 in house

Report of Line Officers:

Captain Headquarters:

- Fill out the log book
- Get familiar with the trucks and tools
- The five (5) members enrolled in the Q class are doing well

Captain Glenwood:

- The training (quarterlies) have been compressed into two (2) months
- The SCBA units are arriving in April
- There will be regular drill next Monday for pumping
- If a member needs a particular drill see the Captains sooner than later as the quarter ends April 30th

Captain Marine:

- A work detail will be scheduled soon to clean the boat and prepare for launch

Captain EMS:

- When you sign up for a shift you need to complete the assigned tasks
- Paperwork should be filled out and turned in
- The pay policy will be revised and a new series of tasks
- Check the front board for your CPR card
- The refresher grades received by EMRs and EMTs were reported
- Drills and refresher process will be revamped to focus on transition topics to assist EMTs to get better grades on the challenging tests

Lt Company 1:

- Members can sign up for the Amtrak drill – location to be announced later
- An email will go out on the Hazmat Awareness and Hazmat Operational refresher

Lt Company 2: No report

Lt Aerial:

- After drills, make sure the Scott bottles are topped off and air packs are put back together
- Put all equipment back where it belongs

Lt Rescue:

- There is a new thermal imaging camera on board
- A two (2) part imaging camera class/drill will be held here – part class and part live fire

Lt EMS 946:

- If you need anything replaced, let him know
- Thanked the members for attending the gear inspection drill

Lt EMS 947:

- The daily checklist has been revised

Lt EMS 948:

- The ambulances are being inspected Friday, April 7, 2017 at 10 am
- Thanked members for helping with the ambulances

Report of Divisions/Appointed Positions:

Communications Coordinator:

- Still investigating the installation of a cell tower

Engineer:

- Work will be done on 954

Quartermaster:

- Thanked members for attending gear inspection
 - Eight (8) members still need their gear inspected
- Text S. Voss if you need anything

Junior Company: No report

Fire Police:

- There will be a traffic control drill on Wednesday, April 5th at 7 pm

Auxiliary:

- They cleaned the kitchen and pantry
- They donated Easter items for the Easter baskets

Committee Reports:

Membership:

- There are two (2) applicants in process
- Introduced new member Gregory Radcliffe "Bubba"

Finance: No report

Ways and Means:

- BINGO will begin late June
- A meeting will be announced to learn how to work the BINGO machine
- Looking for workers

House:

- The kitchen is finished
- Getting quotes for the ceilings in both rooms
- Still working on the refurbishing of the monument area
 - DPW will be donating the machine and some men, but members will be needed for manual help

Parade:

- The Clinton, NJ parade is scheduled for May

Social:

- Officers needed for the Sunday, April 9th Easter breakfast.
 - Discovered a conflict with the meeting room so the Easter breakfast will be rescheduled

Sick and Welfare: No report

By-Laws: No report

Truck Committee:

- Received paint chips

Old Business:

- An update on the cell phone tower was presented by the Cell Phone Tower Committee
 - They have met with two companies and been presented with two different models or plans
 - They reported on the differences between Plan A and Plan B
 - A motion was made by D. Schmardel and seconded to authorize the Cell Phone Tower Committee to act in the best known financial interests of the department. The motion carried unanimously.
 - It was noted the tower (either 60'x60' or 60'x80') would be constructed where the shed is currently.
- All members should be getting their uniforms ready for the Memorial Day Parade
- A clock needs to be installed in the meeting room

New Business:

- The Little League Parade is scheduled for April 29th

Good of the Department:

- D. Delecke thanked those who helped him in his time of need
- R. Sullivan reported that Chatfield Hollow will be stocked with trout for opening Saturday
- Saturday, April 8th, Donald Blifford will be interned at the Killingworth Congregational Church at 10 am
- The annual Fire House food drive will be held at the Fire Department and Stop and Shop Saturday, April 8th

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy McDermott
Clerk