

MINUTES
CLINTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
February 7, 2022

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

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from January 3, 2022 regular meeting and January 17, 2022 special meeting

- An amendment was made to the January 3, 2022 regular meeting minutes as follows:
Under Old Business the motion should read: "A motion was made and seconded to purchase an ambulance and **Chief's vehicle** with an amount not to exceed \$400,000 and forward to the Finance Committee."
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of January 3, 2022 as amended. The motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of January 17, 2022 special meeting 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 thank you from the Conover family for the 100th birthday celebration drive by
- Received a thank you from the Hall family

Report of Chiefs:

Chief:

- Statistics for January are as follows:

Total calls	162
EMS	120
Fire	37
Rescue	3

Turn out has been pretty good and great for the mutual aid fires
- The Forchielli family thanked the department for the members' assistance and participation with the wake and reception for James
- An update on the water supply project was given as follows:

Met with the Town Manager
Going through Land Use to determine if permits are required
Meeting with the engineer on February 9 and February 12 to discuss the next phase

Deputy Chief Administration:

- Read the totals for the annual drives

Deputy Chief: No report

Deputy Chief EMS:

- Statistics for January are as follows:

Total EMS calls	120	
Received mutual aid	3	All for the second line ambulance
Gave mutual aid	15	

Assistant Chief: No report

Report of Line Officers:

Captain Headquarters:

- Training for pump operator will be scheduled for both in the classroom and hands on
- Thanked members who stood by for the January 29th snowstorm
- Encouraged members to attend drills

Captain Glenwood:

- Thanked members for helping to dig out the hydrants
- If a hydrant's flag has been knocked down/off, replace it

Captain Marine:

- Careful of the icebergs

Captain EMS:

- Discussed patient safety and the necessity to use the shoulder straps on the Stryker stretcher
- Gloves have been ordered

Lt Company 1:

- The engine is in good shape
- An ice rescue drill is scheduled for February 12th beginning at 8:30 a.m.
 - The new sled and suits will be used

Lt Company 2: No report

Lt Aerial:

- 971 is coming back Tuesday

Lt Rescue:

- The driver side Hurst pump has been repaired

Lt EMS 946:

- Great job filling shifts; there are only a few gaps

Lt EMS 947:

- On the PCR form, per billing, list all calls as BLS and then indicate the agency assisting to note the ambulance went ALS on a different tab

Lt EMS 948:

- February 9th there will be a hypothermia course beginning at 6:30 p.m.
 - Members will get CME credit for attending

Report of Divisions/ Appointed Positions:

Communications Coordinator:

- There will be pager updates
- The Radio Committee met and the vendor will do site investigations to prepare a price

Engineer:

- The EAS Knox boxes are being updated
 - A drill will be scheduled to review how to use them

Quartermaster: No report

Junior Company: No report

Fire Police: No report

Auxiliary: No report

Committee Reports:

Membership:

- Jared Wolff was introduced as the department's newest member
- A letter was received dated February 7, 2022 from John Whittel requesting a transfer from Honorary status to Active status in both EMS and Fire Police
 - He met the date requirements (went honorary October 2, 2017) so the request was approved

Finance: No report

Ways and Means:

- December Bingo took a small loss; however, there was a lot of member participation
- January Bingo had a profit; however, member participation was small
 - If the department wants to continue with Bingo, members have to participate
- The next Bingo is scheduled for the third Saturday, February 19th

House:

- Two items were repaired

Social:

- The annual banquet was postponed due to the rise in COVID numbers
- The new date for the annual banquet at the Clinton Country Club is April 30th beginning 6:00 p.m.

Sick and Welfare:

- Sympathy cards were sent to:
 - The Schmardel family
 - The Forchielli family
 - The Estes family

By-Law: No report

Old Business:

- Chief Manware met with Town Manager Kilduff to discuss the tanker
 - The financing for this purchase is being figured out
 - Then it will be sent to the Town Council who will discuss it at their workshop meeting

New Business:

- Discussed the apparatus replacement plan
 - The department will need a new fire boat within 2 years
 - The department was not able to secure the grants for the boat for which they applied
 - Negotiating with the Town Manager to purchase the boat at the same time as the tanker
 - This will have to go before the Town Council

Good of the Department:

- An EMR/EMT refresher is scheduled for March 18, 19, 20

A motion was made and seconded to add voting for the Adjudicating Board and Finance Committee to the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee is comprised of 7 members, 4 seats filled automatically via by-law requirements

- Three members volunteered to be on the committee with the results of the vote as follows:

Jeff Hesel	21
Dave E Burns	22
Amy Johnson	20

Adjudicating Board is comprised of 3 full members and 4 alternates

- Three members submitted letters of intent
- Three members volunteered from the floor
- The top three vote getters will become the full-time board members

Linda Gworek	16
Glenn Coffin	15
Tasos Clados	11
Marc Gelven	10
Scott Davenport	8
Bob Corson	2

Two members abstained from voting

A request was made to allow the Chiefs to explore increasing the tax abatement based on the new federal laws

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy McDermott
Clerk