

MINUTES
CLINTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
March 7, 2022

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

All stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of February 7, 2022:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of February 7, 2022 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: None

Report of Chiefs:

Chief:

- Thanked the members for their participation with the services held for the past members
- Killingworth Fire Department thanked our department for our coverage during their annual banquet
- Westbrook and Essex have recently lost past chiefs and will require coverage during the services
 - The service times and coverage times will be posted
- Quartermaster Hicks will schedule gear inspections and fit testing
- The testing of the SCBA is almost completed
- The RIT pack testing needs to be done
- EAS and Knox box are merging so a new key release box will be installed
 - Training will be provided to demonstrate how to operate it
- 962 has been ordered with Four Guys Fire Apparatus
- The department is waiting for an updated price for the purchase of 942
 - Once received, this will go before the Finance Committee
- Stats for the month are as follows:
 - There were 28 fire calls this month compared to 37 last month
 - There were 12 rescue calls this month compared to 3 last month

Deputy Chief of Administration:

- Reported on the annual drive totals
- Revisions to the process and policy for moving from Junior status to Senior status will be coming before the department soon

Deputy Chief:

- The auto gate opener at DPW was replaced and now has an issue reading the vehicle pucks
 - Explained the process to get beyond the gate until the puck system is operational

Deputy Chief EMS:

- Stats for the month are as follows
 - 156 Total calls
 - 115 EMS calls
 - 3 Received mutual aid – 1 time for the first line amb and 2 times for the second line amb
 - 12 Gave mutual aid
- If you have any equipment concerns, let Deputy Chief EMS Lewellyn know

- Crews should wear N95 masks when transporting any patient with a respiratory ailment
 - Common sense should be used concerning the need for masks for all other EMS calls

Assistant Chief:

- Thanked members for attending drills
- Captain Perez made excellent props
- Drills this month will focus on pumping and driver training
- Drills are as follows:
 - March 14 – classroom
 - March 21 – practicals
 - March 28 – practicals

Report of Line Officers:

Captain Headquarters:

- Added props
- Members need to come to drills: drills make the members and the department better

Captain Glenwood: No report

Captain Marine:

- The docks at Cedar Island will be going in next week

Captain EMS:

- Mega movers, that can hold 500 lbs, were added to the apparatus
- The yellow burn sheets are no longer being manufactured
 - These are being replaced with larger ones which can be cut as needed

Lt Company 1:

- Engine 1 is out for repairs
 - When it returns it will be equipped with a 150' throw bag and an ice rescue mustang suit
- Thanked those members who attended the ice rescue drill

Lt Company 2:

- 954 is equipped with ice rescue suit, sling, harness and ropes

Lt Aerial: No report

Lt Rescue: No report

Lt EMS 946: No report

Lt EMS 947:

- Always select BLS on the form
 - On the additional agencies tab, put Middlesex Medic which will indicate the patient went ALS

Lt EMS 948:

- Drills this month include
 - March 9 – Midstate zoom presentation on Pediatric Psych
 - March 30 – Presentation regarding First Responder Mental Health

Report of Divisions/ Appointed Positions:
Communications Coordinator: No report

Engineer: No report

Quartermaster:

- Gear inspections will be held on the following dates beginning 6 p.m.
 - Tuesday, March 15
 - Wednesday, March 16
 - Monday, March 21
 - Wednesday, March 23

Junior Company: No report

Fire Police: No report

Auxiliary: No report

Committee Reports

Membership:

- A letter of resignation was received from Joshua Denison
 - Chief Manware approved his resignation

Finance: No report

Ways and Means:

- Bingo has been well attended
 - More help from the membership is needed
- The next Bingo is scheduled for March 19th

House: No report

Social:

- The Annual Banquet is scheduled for April 30th at the Clinton Country Club

Sick and Welfare:

- A sympathy card was sent to the Larsen family

By Law: No report

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Good of the Department:

- The EMR/EMT refresher is scheduled for the weekend of March 18 beginning at 6 p.m.
 - Let Deputy Chief EMS Lewellyn know if you will be attending this refresher

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy McDermott, Clerk