

Holiday Shores Volunteer Fire Department

Monthly Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Holiday Shores Volunteer Fire Department was called to order Monday, October 23, 2023 at 1700 hours by President Brian Bagby and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members in Attendance: Brian Bagby; Mark Brewer; Bobby French; Bill Gavin; Joshua Harris; Mike Hayes; Cale Henke; Eric Hogan; Bob Jennings; Debbie Jennings; Greg Jennings; Patti McDaniel; Jim O'Brien; Darl Opel; Niki Opel; Doug Saye and David Wilson

A total of 17 members were in attendance: Quorum (9) achieved.

The following members were excused: Blake Fry; John Meurer and Linda Meurer

Members not excused: Michele Bell; Todd Frank; Jessica Henke; Mike Lane and Gary Presswood

Probationary Candidates: Kelly Harris

Excused: Brenda Saye

Not excused: Simeon Thomas

A motion by D. Saye and a second by C. Henke to forgo the reading of the minutes of the September 25, 2023 meeting minutes were passed, with corrections, by a majority vote of the members present, through a voice vote. Additions – None; Deletions – None; Corrections – B. Saye starting 5th month/K. Harris and S. Thomas both starting 3rd month.

Treasurer's report was given:

Checking \$ 11,094.32

Savings \$ 2,571.31

TOTAL \$ 13,665.63

A brief discussion and explanation of what foreign fire tax monies can and cannot buy for the department was held.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Membership levels carried forward

Discussion on replacing the fish fry signs was held. Dave Wilson will get additional bids. One bid we have is for \$300.00 per sign with signs having changeable numbers on a revolving track.

It was stated that we are not getting our Christmas (2021 & 2022) photo from the photographer.

NEW BUSINESS

The Trustee Christmas Party will be held December 19th at the clubhouse. Debbie Jennings volunteered to coordinate the event.

TRAINING

- Upcoming
 - Saturday – November 11 – Veteran’s Day Parade
 - Monday – November 14 – HAZMAT Refresher
 - Saturday – November 18 – Driver Safety – FSVO Course

RESIGNATION OF OFFICERS

- None

ACCEPTING OF APPLICATION/MEMBERS

PROBATIONARY MEMBERS

- Starting 6th month: B. Saye (Aux) *Will vote for in November
- Starting 4th month: K. Harris (Aux) and Simeon Thomas

NEW APPLICANTS

- None

OFFICERS REPORTS

SAFETY OFFICER

- No Report

CHIEF Jim O’Brien

We have had a good call volume recently

All trucks have Milwaukee tools in place and DeWalts have been removed. Tools in 3310 have been mounted. Other trucks will eventually have tools mounted too.

Mutual aid calls can have the addition of Meadowbrook during the day, especially on the west side of the district. Prairietown is still our first call for assistance.

Our active membership is good and everyone is encouraged to educate themselves to move into other positions in the department.

AMA has had good response times, but if there are extended delays contact the chief. Keep in contact with County and remember ARCH can be an option.

The parking lot has been rocked and chipped. Additionally, the area between the building and the parking lot will be graded and rocked, by Yates.

Members are asked to suggest jobs around the department that can use upgrading and refurbished (doors, windows, walls, paint, concrete or bathrooms).

Chief continued

The proposal to Holishor that firefighters and members of HSVFD receive membership in the Holishor Association without paying dues was submitted to the Association. It will be some time before there is a determination on the matter.

Annual hose testing has been done and only two sections of 5" hose have failed.

It is the end of the training year and opportunity to receive the training bonus per your training hours is only available for a few days. Members need to check with the chief.

SCBA testing – Fit testing The testing will be done on November 6th 1:00 – 8:00 Members are to be clean shaven.

At this time the department does not have a dedicated Brush Truck due to the transitioning of the duties of trucks 3351 and 3370.

ASSISTANT CHIEF Darl Opel

- No Report

CAPTAINS

Mike Hayes

- Be sure to check that all compartment doors are closed on trucks after performing maintenance or other duties when working inside a compartment.

Todd Frank

- No Report

Bobby French

- No Report

LIEUTENANTS

Doug Saye

- No Report

ENGINEERS

Dave Wilson

- When filling trucks with water and using a hose, do not place the wet hose into a compartment where it will mold and emit odors.

Brian Bagby

- Any member needing an accountability tag needs to contact Bagby

Gary Presswood

- No Report

Medical Training Officer Greg Jennings

- Notices for expiring licenses (i.e., EMT and etc.) will be sent out to appropriate members.

Trucks

3310

- New Milwaukee tools are being mounted in compartments
- Chargers need to be mounted

3311

- All DeWalt tools have been removed
- New tools will be mounted in compartments as is being done in 3310

3351

- Not a brush truck any longer, no reels or brush fighting tools on board
- There is more power with the loss of the heavy equipment (more giddy-up go).

3360

- Pump engagement to be done outside not from the cab

3361

- No Report

3370

- Equipment being installed. Should be ready to place in service in a month.

Trailer

- No Report

STANDING COMMITTEES

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

- Three of the garage doors are being installed with new openers which can be utilized remotely and notification received when a door has been left open.

COMPUTER

- No Report

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- No Report

ISO

- No Report

PUBLIC RELATIONS and MEDIA

- No report

TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT

- No Report

SIGN COMMITTEE

- Will be changing the sign to recognize the Halloween season

SPECIAL USE COMMITTEES

BUDGET

- No Report

FUND RAISING

- No Report

COUNTY MEETING

- Not currently scheduled to host a meeting

FISH FRY

- No Report

OTHER COMMITTEES

MADISON COUNTY

- County Meeting was October 19th hosted by Long Lake at their facility
- The Firefighter’s Memorial Service was held October 15th, hosted by Meadowbrook FD and held at Life brook church, Bethalto Over 40 firefighters and family members attended
- Patti appointed Ron Cobine (after he accepted) as the Assistant Secretary/Treasurer to replace Tim Hasamear and serve out Tim’s term of office (May 2024)
- The executive Board meeting is November 9, 2023 HSVFD designees are invited

- December 2nd -- Christmas Party at Firemen's Hall; Turn in names of kids by 11/20
- December 14th – Executive Board Meeting
- December 21st – County meeting hosted by Godfrey FD at the KC Hall located at 1713 Stamper Lane, Godfrey

DEPARTMENT GOOD AND WELFARE

- The bonfire was well attended and attendees enjoyed the food, music and fun.
- Fire Prevention Week was October 8-14. We made a school visit to Midway School with Prairietown firefighters/staff on October 16th to present fire safety tips to the children. Debbie Jennings, Joshua Harris and Kelley Harris represented HSVFD.
- Question on the call center's use of designations of Active 911 calls (A, B, etc.) There were problems and they are still working on the system
- A discussion regarding the Christmas decorations of the department was held and resulted in the following motion made by Wilson, seconded by Niki Opel: "The department will spend \$500.00 to increase the number of outside Christmas Decorations." Following a discussion, the motion passed with 9 Ayes and 8 Abstentions.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A Thank You was received from Holiday Shores resident and former HSVFD firefighter, Ric Stephenson.

The meeting was adjourned at 1950 hours on a motion by D. Opel, a second by C. Henke and all the members were in agreement. The next business meeting is to be held Monday, November 27, 2023.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Patricia K. McDaniel

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