

HSFD Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Holiday Shore Volunteer Fire Department was called to order Monday September 30, 2019, at 1900 hours by President Jim O'Brien and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members in attendance: Brian Bagby; Michele Bell; Dana Blotevogel; Aaron Bricker; Steve Cooper; Tim Dyer; Todd Frank; Bobby French; Blake Fry; Mike Hayes; Cale Henke; Patti McDaniel; Linda Meurer; Jim O'Brien; Darl Opel; Niki Opel; Dave Wilson.

A total of 17 members were in attendance (15 at start of meeting): Quorum (8) achieved.

Probationary Candidates present: Eli Pegg; Grace Pinion; Michael Lane; Buck Martin; Luke Voss; Bill Gavin.

A motion by Henke, with a second by Blotevogel to forego the reading of the minutes of the meeting was passed by a majority vote of the members present. Additions - None; Deletions - None; Corrections - None.

Treasurer's report:

Checking:	\$7,667.14	Savings:	\$2,568.60	Total:	\$10,234.74
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Old/Unfinished Business -

- Our grant for \$278,000 came through for the radios and will be split between three other departments: Dorsey, Shipman and Bunker Hill. We will have repeaters for the trucks, four base stations, some hand helds, and 85 pagers. We are hoping for headsets but it is up to the department. We have up to a year to spend the money for this equipment. There will be a presentation on Saturday October 19th at Dorsey FD between 9am and noon with vendors present to learn about the radios. A big thanks to Bagby for his perseverance in obtaining the grant.
- Our 9/11 Ceremony had a good turnout this year with just under 100 people. N. Opel took photos of the event for Facebook and our website. The 20th anniversary in two years will be held on a Saturday so we should have a high attendance.
- A motion by T. Dyer with a second by Bagby to destroy last month's ballots for Bricker and Gavin was passed.
- The board has reached out to a couple of candidates that we have not seen for a while, but have not yet heard back from them and will try again.

New Business-

- A vote was held to accept Pegg as a full member of the fire department and passed unanimously. His new badge number is #113.
- Thanks to Saye for obtaining the grant from the American Illinois Water. We haven't heard any more information about it yet.
- There are business cards available now from our department if needed to pass out at scenes of accidents or fires with two blank lines to write your name and number.
- Participation has been good, especially at the recent fire where we also received a compliment on our radio communications. Continue to keep up with our maintenance and check lists. Please do not give out information concerning any runs that we have made to anyone outside of the department and remember that we signed a confidentiality agreement when we joined HSFD.
- Write down any uniform items needed on the chalkboard and also check with D. Opel about any issues.
- We are making our yearly trip to Midway School on Tuesday October 15 for their annual fire prevention week. Prairietown FD will also participate. We will attend from approximately 8:30am - 10:30am. Write your name on the board if you plan on going.
- Thanks to D. Opel, French, Bricker, Meurer, Pegg and Pinion for helping out at the MS bike ride on Saturday September 7.
- Cooper bought water for the department recently and we have gone through seven cases already. They are to be used here at the department so don't take any home.
- We have smoke alarms available for the community. We have to turn in documentation on each one so be sure to inform Bagby if you install any.
- The Bank of Edwardsville is changing names and is donating their LED sign to HSFD if we want it. Even though it is being donated, we will have to spend money to have it installed and to run the training program. The topic was discussed and a motion was made by D. Opel with a second by Bricker to spend half of the amount needed, up to \$3000, for the sign. The vote passed to accept the sign.

Training

- The final training and test for Essentials II was cancelled and a new date is to be determined.
- Our Pump Ops/Water Relay Race was held Saturday September 21.
- French attended the Agricultural Rescue at Hillsboro and said it went well.
- Monday October 14 will be our HazMat refresher course here at the firehouse.
- Saturday October 26 we will have Auto Extrication and/or Car Fire here.
- Don't forget to finish any training that is due by the end of the year.

- All candidates, make sure you finish your training as soon as possible so you can become a full member. Check with Bagby if you have any concerns.
- The make-up date for our fit test will likely be sometime in October. Brewer will find out and let us know.
- Fort Russell will hold the Live Fire Structure training probably the end of 2019 or the beginning of 2020. We will practice first on Mondays with smoke training and once the fire permit is obtained we will do the burn/smoke evolutions.

Resignation of Officers or Members - None

Accepting of Application/Members - None

Probationary Members

- Pinion is starting her 11th month, Lane his 10th, Martin his 6th, Voss his 3rd, and Gavin his 2nd.

Junior Members - None

Officer's Reports

Safety Officer: Dana Blotevogel - Nothing

Chief: Steve Cooper -

- We will hold our annual Trustee's Christmas Dinner on Tuesday December 17. Please wear your full uniform. There will be food and prizes.

Assistant Chief: Mark Brewer - Nothing

Captains

Tim Dyer - Nothing

Darl Opel -

- Please wash your gear after any fires and do your gross decontamination at the scene.

- Fentanyl is making a comeback so please be careful touching anything and let someone know if you are having any medical issues after responding to a scene.

Jim O'Brien - Nothing

Lieutenants

Mike Hayes - Nothing

Todd Frank - Needs to order batteries.

Engineers

Bobby French - Nothing

Trucks

3310 - The back driver rotating light is out. The service engine light is still out.

3311 - None

3351 - None

3360 - None

3361 - None

3391 - None

Trailer - The new hose is in place; we are only filling two bottles at a time.

Standing Committees

Building and Grounds - We are getting bids for repairs around doors.

Computer - O'Brien is going to buy a new computer.

Executive Board - Will meet Tuesday October 15.

ISO - They will ask for our water documentation soon so please refill our tanks from different hydrants with the pitot tube and be sure to document it.

Public Relations - Meurer writes a monthly article for the HS Times. Let her know if there's anything you want to include.

Trucks and Equipment - Nothing

Sign Committee - Will show something about leaf burning and Halloween. We will get a new sign soon.

Special Use Committees

Scholarship - Nothing

Budget - Nothing

Fund Raising - Nothing

County Meeting - Nothing

Fish Fry - Nothing

Other Committees

Madison County -

- Their Memorial Service will be held Sunday October 6 in Marine at the Church of Christ. You can meet up at the fire department first.

- The Illinois Fire Alliance along with the Fire Marshall's office will hold a conference on October 24-26 with active shooter training.
- The next meeting will be on Thursday October 17 at the AmVets Hall.

Department Good and Welfare -

- We raised \$900 for the MD Shake-the-Boot on Sunday September 1 with good attendance.
- We will have our Family Movie and Bonfire Night here on Saturday October 12 starting around 5pm with games and a BBQ. O'Brien has a PA system for the outdoor projection. All members and families are welcome.
- Quality reporting and documentation should be done on all runs.

Correspondence - None

The meeting was adjourned at 2005 with a motion by D. Opel and second by Bricker, with all members in agreement. The next business meeting will be held Monday October 28, 2019.