

HSFD Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Holiday Shores Volunteer Fire Department was called to order Monday, January 29, 2024 at 1900 hours by President Brian Bagby and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members in attendance: Brian Bagby; Todd Frank; Bobby French; Joshua Harris; Cale Henke; Greg Jennings; Debbie Jennings; Linda Meurer; Darl Opel; Nik Opel; Gary Presswood; Brenda Saye; Dave Wilson; Jessica Henke; Eric Hogan; John Meurer.

A total of 16 members were in attendance (14 at start of meeting): Quorum (9) achieved.

Probationary Candidates present: Kelly Harris; Justin Lindow. The following members were excused: Mark Brewer; Bill Gavin; Patti McDaniel; Jim O'Brien; Doug Saye.

A motion by C. Henke, with a second by Wilson to forego the reading of last month's minutes was passed by a majority vote of the members present. Additions - None; Deletions - None; Corrections - None.

Treasurer's Report by French:

Checking: \$8,926.64

Savings: \$2,571.37

Total: \$11,498.01

Old/Unfinished Business

- Information given by Treasurer French about possibly using a different bank. K. Harris also suggested looking into Carrolton Bank.
- Bingo - There are still signups available for 8 dates in 2024. McDaniel says thank you to K. Harris for covering for her on the last bingo.
- Motion by D. Jennings with second by B. Saye passes to approve the \$200 tip given to the bartender at the Christmas dinner.
- A motion by C. Henke with a second by D. Jennings to approve spending \$41.04 over the previously allotted \$500 for Christmas lights passes.

New Business

- A vote was held to accept K. Harris as a full Auxiliary Member passes by the majority of members present. Congratulations!

Training

- Monday, February 12 is Drivers Safety and Scenario Planning.
- Saturday, February 17 is Cold Water/Ice Rescue with other departments invited.

Resignation of Officers or Members - Michelle Bell is now an Honorary Member.

Accepting of Application/Members - None

Probationary Members - Thomas is starting his 7th month; Lindow is still in his probationary period.

Junior Members - None

Officer's Reports

Safety Officer - None

Chief: Jim O'Brien - None

Assistant Chief: Darl Opel - None

Captains

Mike Hayes - None

Todd Frank - None

Bobby French - None

Lieutenants

Doug Saye - None

Engineers

Dave Wilson - Remotes to the bay doors for 3351, 3310 and 3311 have been installed. They have four buttons and we will mark them so you can see 51's door button easily, and possibly have the big left button on each remote be assigned for each particular bay door.

3310 has a new right mirror again so keep the truck on the left line so we can get into the closet.

Brian Bagby - We still have checkoff deficiencies on trucks. Everyone please help out.

Gary Presswood - None

Medical Training Officer: Greg Jennings - None

Trucks

3310 - Has a new mirror.

3311 - The gate valve has been replaced. There is a broken rear seat cushion which will be ordered and replaced. A bad wiper switch has been replaced. We need to change out the tank level lights on the exterior. Every other light was not working - amber (yellow) and green. The float is not registering properly; maybe it fell off or is corroded. If the truck sits outside temporarily, pay attention to when the truck starts. Does it sound like it's dragging? Batteries probably need to be replaced. The positive battery terminals are right underneath a pipe and it is hard to jumpstart it. We may need to make auxiliary cables.

3351 - Has two new LED rotator lights in the back.

3360 - We have to take the truck apart to get to the software.

3370 - We are waiting on parts from Banner. They will call C. Henke when each piece comes in.

Trailer - Picked up a new drop hitch and it works well. Looking for a spare tire for it. There is a new hitch for 70 to tow the trailer.

Standing Committees

Building and Grounds - Three new openers with sensors have been installed and the doors open and close fast. We still have more work to be done on the sensors. Unsure when the downstairs remotes will be replaced. We will try these out first and see. The new remotes may auto close after 10 minutes, we are looking to see if this is true.

Please keep the bay doors shut.

Computer - Nothing

Executive Board - Next meeting is Thursday, February 8.

ISO - Nothing

Media Coordinator: Nik Opel - See Good & Welfare below.

Public Relations: Linda Meurer/Debbie Jennings - See Good and Welfare below.

Trucks and Equipment - We have some smoke alarms and CO detectors on 3310 behind the driver's seat to use if we need to swap one out while on a call; please replace whatever you use.

Sign Committee - None

Special Use Committees

Scholarship - Nothing

Budget - Nothing

Fund Raising - Nothing

County Meeting - The next County Meeting is Thursday, February 15 in Marine.

Fish Fry - Nothing

Other Committees

Madison County - If you are interested in the board, letters of intent are due in March. The Fireman's Hall is looking for a concrete finisher for the kitchen and storage.

Department Good and Welfare -

Bagby - Some members went to the Holishor Association meeting in April to see if we could get dues waived. They said we had to wait, then we went back in September, and again in December. The Association said a survey would go out to see how the community feels about it but they have not done it yet. There are metrics for HS member and non-members. It is in a holding pattern now. Some folks are against it and the board is mixed. A survey will go out electronically and by mail with a decision to be made after. There is concern about the language - we will be reimbursed, not have our dues waived. We could maybe ask Wiggler's or other businesses about hanging department info such as a QR code for a survey through HSF. We can put something in the HS Times, or by mail to the residents. We should do more community involvement to make our presence known, maybe something each quarter. All of us need to help - possibly CPR training, fire extinguisher review, boat safety, fishing tournaments, stop-the-bleed, blood drives, etc. We need a committee to come up with ideas - L. Meurer, J. Meurer, Bagby, D. Jennings and G. Jennings volunteered.

French - Are we interested in everyone being part of the death benefit? Does our department want to pay for it and have it come from the bingo money? The death benefit and bingo are both ran by the Madison County Fireman's Association. You pay \$1.50 each with a payout of \$2500. For example - \$39 paid for 26 members. The wording for what and when members get the benefit is being worked on. D. Jennings made a motion for the department to pay the death membership out of the bingo fund, with J. Harris as second. Discussion - retired members pay in also. Motion passes unanimously.

Correspondence - A thank you letter and brownies were sent by the Dodd's for helping them out Christmas night at 4am.

The meeting was adjourned at 1959 with a motion by D. Opel and second by Frank, with all members in agreement. The next business meeting will be held a week early on Monday, February 19, as President Bagby will be unable to attend February 26.

