

HSFD Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 27, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Holiday Shores Volunteer Fire Department was called to order Monday, November 27, 2023 at 1900 hours by President Brian Bagby and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members in attendance: Brian Bagby; Bobby French; Bill Gavin; Joshua Harris; Mike Hayes; Cale Henke; Jessica Henke; Eric Hogan; Bob Jennings; Debbie Jennings; Greg Jennings; Patti McDaniel; John Meurer; Linda Meurer; Jim O'Brien; Darl Opel; Nik Opel; Brenda Saye; Doug Saye; Dave Wilson.

A total of 20 members were in attendance (19 at start of meeting): Quorum achieved.

Probationary Candidates present: Kelly Harris. The following members were excused: Mark Brewer; Bobby French; Gary Presswood.

A motion by D. Saye with a second by O'Brien 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:

Checking: \$11,073.73

Savings: \$2,571.31

Total: \$13,645.04

Old/Unfinished Business

- Bids for the Fish Fry signs - received one bid for \$300. (\$260 was paid for redoing the old signs.)
- The Trustee Christmas party will be on Tuesday evening, December 19 at the Clubhouse. We have been attempting to talk to the manager Jason about the bar. Invitations have been sent, please respond if you are coming. Doors and bar open at 6, pictures at 6:30 and dinner at 7pm. O'Brien may as Assistant Chief Opel to have a picture taken of all of us around the Christmas tree instead of a formal picture.
- Next month's meeting will be held on Monday, December 18 due to Christmas and New Year's Day falling on Mondays.
- Do we want to have a Christmas party at the department or do Santa in the fire truck? Santa on the truck passes by a majority of the members in attendance. We have a standing motion to buy Christmas presents for Santa. He will deliver them on Saturday December 16 starting at 6pm. Put the names, ages and addresses on the board of any kids who want Santa to come to their house.

- The schedule for Bingo in 2024 will be given to Greg for sign-up Genius. There is one more date left in January but people have signed up already.
- Motion by O'Brien with a second by D. Saye passes to spend up to \$500 for Trustee gifts each year.
- O'Brien sent out a training matrix for what we have done and what needs to be done. New members are not required to do training their first year. After that, Auxiliary members need Sexual Harassment and Privacy training only. OSHA has added Confined Space Awareness and we will add Fire Extinguisher Safety next Monday. Truck familiarization will be scheduled too before the end of the year.

New Business

- Congratulations to B. Saye for passing her EMR! A vote was held to accept her as a full EMS member and passes.
- A proposal was presented by President Bagby to the Holishor Board meeting on Wednesday, November 11 asking for dues to be waived for our members. We should have a final decision by the end of the year.

Training/Schedule -

- Monday, December 11 is Fire Extinguishers, PPE, Confined Space training.
- Saturday, December 16 is Truck Familiarization in the morning and Santa visits in the evening.
- Monday, December 18 is our next monthly meeting.
- Tuesday, December 19 is the Trustees Christmas Dinner at the Clubhouse.
- Saturday, December 23 is Truck Familiarization and make-up training.
- All training should be done by Sunday, December 31.

Resignation of Officers or Members - None

Accepting of Application/Members - None

Probationary Members - K. Harris and Thomas are starting their 5th month.

Junior Members - None

Officer's Reports

Safety Officer - Nothing

Chief: Jim O'Brien -

- Overall call participation is on track for our typical 240 calls per calendar year.
- The extrication equipment is fully in service - thanks to Darl, Dave, Nik and Mike.
- If there is a suspicious fire, call Madison County to get the deputy sheriff to the scene. They or you can call the Madison County arson investigator. Maintain confidentiality.
- We need a volunteer to order a few CO detectors to hand out - Bagby will do this.
- If there is a repeat lift assist, we can talk to the homeowner. We can also report any elder abuse if needed to IDPH and the elder abuse hotline.
- For new radio operators, there are certain protocols we use - Eric Hogan will walk you through the procedures. Remember to give run number first then the times.
- The parking lot was finished with new rock around the outside.
- Sentinel is here and have checked out 11. There are delays getting parts and Sentinel should finish the truck checks before the end of the year.
- At the Christmas party we will do group photos, not individual pictures per the majority of members present.
- The payroll was submitted to the Trustees and are waiting for approval.
- We are getting sloppy about chocking the trucks - please remember to do this on all calls
- It's cold weather time again - open up every drain and leave them open but not on 10 and 11. Only one ball valve could be leaking and we could lose a lot of water so leave their drains shut. When going on a call in cold weather and for extended periods of time, you may leave the valve open, otherwise don't open them. Also, close the garage doors when leaving or while you are here in the building.
- As far as responding directly, O'Brien will have talked to specific people allowing them to do that, otherwise you should go to the department first unless it is for something like a full arrest and it is on your way. Delta calls could be a direct response.
- N. Opel will help Jim with new jackets. New jackets are given when people join and can be replaced every two years at no cost to the member.
- Residents are not allowed to burn fires at night - bonfires are okay. You are supposed to only burn natural materials and repeat offenders can be cited.

Assistant Chief: Darl Opel - Nothing

Captains

Mike Hayes - Nothing

Todd Frank - Nothing

Bobby French - Nothing

Lieutenants

Doug Saye - Nothing

Engineers

Dave Wilson - The price for an electric pressure washer is \$4,300 with running electricity and water to it. A motion was made by Wilson with a second by D. Opel to buy it and passes.

Brian Bagby - Does everyone have the Check-It app on their phone? You need it to do truck checks.

Gary Presswood - Nothing

Medical Training Officer: Greg Jennings -

- We received an email from Rachel that says to go back to adult ambu bags during a cardiac arrest. If you are giving O2 to a patient, start low and titrate up. It's not needed for sats of 90-92%. There is an Alzheimer's course and G. Jennings will see if we need to complete the training. Figure out your assignments on the way to the call so there is no confusion and not a lot of people talking to the patient.

Trucks

3310 - The extrication equipment is mounted. Try fixing/replacing any items if found during truck checks. Make sure you have a laptop and change it since placement of certain items on the trucks have been changed. Please keep 10 away from the wall when parking it.

3311 - The transmission control went out Saturday and are looking into getting the part tomorrow and hopefully it will be installed by the end of the week and then will be back in service. It is not drivable presently.

3351 - It will be serviced this week so you may have to take 10 on medical calls and will need someone here to drive it. The skid load is off 51 and on 70 now. Wilson will get a price for the back rotator light. The winch is still questionable.

3360 - Jim will install new software.

70 - It is heading to Chesterfield Tuesday to have the lift kit installed on Wednesday, then back to Banner to check.

Trailer - None

Standing Committees

Building and Grounds - Garage door openers for the bays have been approved. They will have lights, timers, and can be put on auto close. We are looking for an extended sensor. They will have green or red open and shut indicators for the trucks. The key pad that would go on the doors downstairs are not compatible with the present doors so it won't happen until the Trustees approve. We have filters and pre-filters and switch for the door downstairs. We need to see why the sensors up here aren't talking. We are putting up Christmas lights inside and out.

Computer - Nothing

Executive Board - Nothing

ISO -Nothing

Media Coordinator: Nik Opel - Thanks to Nik for taking care of the Facebook page.

Public Relations: Linda Meurer/Debbie Jennings - Put information about CO detectors in the monthly article again and on our Facebook page too.

Trucks and Equipment - A lot of stations will stay on VHS since there is not enough money for radios.

Sign Committee - Will change it for Christmas.

Special Use Committees

Scholarship - None

Budget - None

Fund Raising - None

County Meeting - Will be held on Thursday, December 21 at the Knights of Columbus on Stamper Ln in Godfrey.

Fish Fry - None

Other Committees

Madison County - This Saturday, December 2 is the Christmas party and the executive meeting will be held on Thursday, December 14.

Department Good and Welfare - Watch our mannerisms on calls - there can be too much joking, and multiple people are asking the same questions. Thanks to the Meurer's for the soda refills. McDaniel has three decorative trucks from Hallmark to be raffled off tonight - B. Jennings, C. Henke and J. Harris won.

Correspondence

The meeting was adjourned at 2017 with a motion by D. Opel and second by Gavin, with all members in agreement. The next business meeting will be held Monday, December 18, 2023.