

**FAYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
8-10-2022**



Meeting called to order at 1905 / Pledge of Allegiance

Motion was made by Tim Sklors to accept the previous month's minutes. Seconded by Lt. Jeremy Widmer. Motion carried.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Steve Shykes, Nick Preiner, Jeremy Widmer, Andy Carlson, Greg Chad, Nick Gianlorenzi, James Heitzman, Chris Sailstad and Tim Sklors

**Absent:** Matt Hoffmann, Cory Christianson, Steve Bottila, William Brokaw and Chris Chrislock

**Guest:** Rick Sather, FD Liaison

**Secretary/Treasurer's Report:**

- Remember that all receipts, bills and rosters should be put in Secretary's folder or bin.

**Chief's Report:**

- REMINDER: Chief needs to know about any purchase made for the Department except for fuel.
- Working on Mutual-Aid Agreements with our neighboring Departments. Even though we have statewide mutual-aid, we still need to have agreements with our mutual-aid partners.
- AFG Grant paperwork has been filled out and submitted for new SCBA.
- At the April Town Board Meeting was informed that they will pay off the radio loan. (It has been paid off.) Also, if the grant for SCBA falls through, they will take out a loan to purchase new SCBA. (MSA G1 total of 23, 13 with TIC's)
- Stokes basket for the UTV is here.
- The Coalition training has been set for October 5. The topic is Smoke Reading.
- Got the registration for the Chief's Congerence in Duluth October 19-21, 2022.
- Received proposal from Nardini for doing our Fire Extinguishers in the amount of \$2,079. That's for replacing 8-20# that are out of date and adding 1-10# upstairs in the Meeting Room.
- State Rural Volunteer Fire Dept. Grant came through for \$2,500. Will be used to purchase 800MHZ Pagers.

**Assistant Chief's Report:**

- Working on Guidelines and Protocol changes. More to come on this.
- Delivery date on the Polaris UTV will be sometime between August 20 - Sept. 12.

**Battalion Chief's Report:**

- Our In-House Training is mandatory and counts toward your 75% participation per year. If you don't reach 75%, you lose a year of your pension. Contact BC Nick Preiner ahead of time if you can't make it. Remember, our In-House Training mirrors the Tri-Department Training, so you have approximately 12 times to make it up earlier in the month at various locations. Tri-Department Training is now optional.
- August 31, 2022 - there will be a training at Dyno Nobel. More to come on this.
- The Coalition Training with Speaker has been scheduled for October 5, 2022.
- Our September or October Tri-Department Training will be a live propane burn.

**Captain's Report:**

- Will get missed pictures done. Cory has set this for our August 17, 2022 Work Night at 6:00 for only an hour.
- TPM installed on E3 and trailer. Cory will order two for E2 & E91. Both are here and will be installed.
- Auto-Eject on E91 to be replaced. New one is here and old one will be sent in to see if there is a warranty.
- E2 will be sent to Mid-States or Boyer Truck to see if they can figure out why it is so slow on take-off.
- Squad 1 will be going to Waschke for starting problem.
- E-91: repaired heater core and new auto-eject will be installed.

**Lieutenant's Report:**

- Please make sure when done using SCBA that all valves are closed and the ocnnctions are tight.

**EMS Report**

- EMS 2022 Plan: Several options were presented and discussed. After much discussion it was decided that the best option will be presented to the Board. We may hear feedback from the Board, but decision should be made soon. We are looking at where this money is going to come from.
- Town Board has approved to hire First Responders from outside the Fire Department. The Township will equip them and pay them \$35 an hour. Before hiring starts, some of the logistics need to be worked out.

**Membership**

- Working on website to improve recruitment. More to come on this.

**Health and Welfare**

- Group discussion. Chief Shykes and Sailstad will take care of any needs.

**Old Business:**

- Lettering in the Station and re-doing the lettering on the overhead doors which was approved by the membership has been put on hold until spring. More to come.
- Keep up on SCBA mask checks for 2022. Check-off Sheet is on side of cabinet by SCBA Fill Station.
- Talked about coming up with a Mission Statement and Purpose for our Department.
- IAR: Need to use this program, especially for who is responding and who is away from the area.
- Look into a grant writer for a future grant.
- Nardini will give a proposal for checking and updating our fire extinguishers.
- Chief has the cost estimate of the new SCBA's and all the accessories for the Town Board. \$266,000.
- AC Matt Hoffman will handle getting the cabinet fabricated for T1-More to come.
- A motion was made by Chief Steve Shykes to get a quote for the slide in unit for the new UTV. Seconded by Capt. Cory Christianson. Motion carried.
- Tim Sklors requested mesh hats to wear in the summer. Have been ordered.
- Matt Hoffmann requested hooded sweatshirts. Have been ordered.
- Third reading of By-Law change: Article VII: Fayal Fire Department Officers will/shall be appointed by the Fayal Town Board. This process will be established by the Fayal Town Board with help from the Fire Department. A motion was made by Chief Steve Shykes to accept the change. Seconded by William Brokaw. Motion carried with two abstentions.
- A motion was made by Chief Steve Shykes to order the Slide-In Unit for the new UTV from Kimtek Corp. at a cost of \$8,345. Seconded by Nick Gianlorenzi. Motion carried.
- AC Matt Hoffmann made a proposal to purchase a new gas chain saw from Grandes for \$997. After discussion, a motion was made by AC Matt Hoffmann to purchase the saw. Seconded by Capt. Cory Christianson. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

- Fire Prevention Week will be October 9-15, 2022. There will be more to come on this as plans develop.

**Review of bills**

- A motion was made by Tim Sklors to pay the bills. Seconded by Lt. Jeremy Widmer. Motion carried.

**Training Minute**

- Heads up that the Fall Wildland Fire Season will be upon us soon.

Motion to adjourn was made at 2009 by Chris Sailstad. Seconded by Tim Sklors. Motion carried.

Submitted by Greg J. Chad - Secretary/Treasurer