

Meeting Minutes 10.19.2020

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Pederson. 27 members were present with 4 being excused by Chief Roger Bissen.

Lori from Public Health gave a presentation via zoom about information regarding Rabies and how-to response to a call pertaining to animals that might have rabies.

Minutes were read by Secretary Connie Miller from the 9.21.20 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was given by Kyle Miller and 2nd by Allison Taylor. All were in favor on motion, motion was carried.

Applications and Resignations:

Application for Jackie Weisenborn needed to be voted on. There was a secret ballot and the department voted yes.

Chief Roger Bissen:

Fire Fighter 1 class is starting again – November 3rd. The classes will be held in both Harlan and Walnut and will go back and forth.

Received a message from Iowa Community Kitchen about wanting a truck on October 27th between 4:30 and 6:30pm. Waiting to hear back on if they still want it. If they do who can help with the truck? Richard, Matt, and Shawn said that they will be able to help.

Will pickup posters from the school to be judged – Allison and Kristi will help and judge the posters.

Wintertime operations/instructions will be on the board for maintaining pumps

Purchase of the new truck (replacement 32) is being voted on, on October 20th by the City Council.

1st Assistant Chief Tom Butler:

Thanked everyone for shaving and coming for the fit test. Everyone that couldn't make it, we will reschedule for another time

2nd Assistant Chief Bruce Blum:

Reminder; when driving to a fire scene you need to drive careful

1st Captain Chad Butler:

Paratech training will be moved to November; will let you know when it will be.

There was confusion on a call between whether to take 32 or 33 on a CO call. You must understand the primary hazard when deciding on what truck – for that call the primary hazard was fire so 32 would be the better truck to take.

2nd Captain Chad Kroger:

A lady gave the fire department a Yoda while delivering food during our open house. The story behind it was a kid got the Yoda for some firefighters out in California during the wildfires to lift their spirits up and the lady gave it to our fire department for him to go on a new adventure. A new mascot.

Races are done – it all went well this year.

The jaws that were on 29 are back on 34

Good job to everyone on calls

1st Lieutenant Ryne Nelsen:

Rope Rescue Training will be October 24th and 25th

Big Rig Rescue Training will be November 28th

Winter Fire School is February 27th

2nd Lieutenant Russ Lacy:

EMA is interested in having an EMR class – if there anyone that is interested please let Russ know. So far Justin, Madi, Ryne, and Kristi are interested.

For Image Trend reporting there is a new form for EMT's to fill out

Trauma bag on 33 is now orange to match the trauma bag on 26

3rd Lieutenant Justin Schechinger:

If there is missing equipment or broken please keep track on the board and let Justin know

Fuel for the small tanks – will start to tag to keep track on how old the fuel is

Future Tool – portable tool saw, battery operated. We can demo it and see if it works, if it does work for what we need it for then we can have the tool donated.

Other Business:

Fire calls were read from 9.24.20 to 10.19.20

Good for the Department:

Richard Petersen mention that the Bucksnot is doing a bonfire on October 24th and wanted to see if anyone could bring a truck to it @3:00pm. If you can please let Richard know

We responded to a call where we had to search for a woman along the river - the status on the woman is, she is alive

Patrick Gaul brought up about the gator trailer and how the axel might be bending

Allison Taylor mention if there can be better reminders about training and when it will be

Submitted By,

Connie Miller – Secretary

These minutes are as recorded by the Secretary and are subject to Department approval at the next regular meeting.