

MINUTES OF THE 830th CORPORATION MEETING, January 14, 2013

Vice President Rob Shillington called the meeting to order at 1931 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – Present: 67, Excused: 40, Absent: 17.

Motion made to accept the Minutes of the 829th Corporation Meeting. APPROVED.

Chief Trick appointed Adam Corrado, MD as the department's Medical Officer. Adam was sworn in by Jamie DiPace.

Correspondence – Grace Bianchi for Secretary Ramona Mansfield

- G. Bianchi presented thank you notes, donations and other correspondences.

Highlights from December & January – Vice President Rob Shillington

- Capital Improvement Budget was discussed. The town will not fund the training facility in Farmington. The town will put money in the budget toward a new truck.
- The new Board representatives were chosen and announced via email to the membership. Ramona Mansfield is the Secretary and Jamie DiPace is the Committee Executive.
- Bud Desmond asked the Board to consider changing the years of vesting in the LOSAP program from 15 years to 10 year. The Board approved this and Bud will talk to the Town Manager, Brandon Robertson.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Sue Jansen

- Corporation – No questions. Tax return for Corporate was emailed by the Treasurer
- Operations Budget – There was a question of why so much money was spent on E-9. It was stated that there were repairs that needed to be done and the age of the apparatus. There was a question of why the department was paying for cable TV and DirecTV at Company 1. It was stated that DirecTV is needed in case of a major incident and cable was not available. It was also noted that DirecTV is only carrying all news stations and local channels for a minimum cost to the department.

Town Representative- Dave Bourgard

- Reported all the repairs that were done at all companies for year 2012

Chief's Report – Chief Mike Trick

- Received a thank you letter from Simsbury Fire Department for some of our members going above and beyond by helping to clean up after the meal at the end of the Torchlight Parade.
- Did an inspection of all stations. Not bad, keep up the good work.
- Took the Assistant Town Manager, Steve Bartha, to Companies 3 and 4 to show him everything that was wrong. Company 3 and 4 need to replace boilers. Steve Bartha agreed.
- Need better record keeping. There are some gaps in reporting. Captain Kline when to a seminar for Firehouse software. Any questions please contact him.
- Great job done by the Fire Police at the incident on Lovely St. Did a great job with scene support and logistics.
- Blue Light permits – There are new online training courses through our insurer VFIS. One of the courses is a driving course. All members have to take this course and show a certificate stating that you did before new or renewed Blue Light Permits will be issued.

- The department will receive a Unit Citation for Tanker and hydro support after storm Sandy. This will be awarded at the Simsbury Volunteer Fire Department's main station on Wednesday night January 16th.
- New Medical Officer, Adam Corrado, will be in charge of checking on members who are off line and/or coming back on line. Adam will also be looking into the following:
 - MCA
 - CEU
 - Physicals review
 - Retirement
 - Record Keeping
 - Additional duties as needed
- There will be a meeting with all officers and Pete Buonome on January 31 to go over the Feasibility report.

Assistant Chief's Report – AV2 Bruce Appell

- Officers F1 license class will be held at Company 1 on March 21 and 22 with the test being administered on March 23.
- EAP cards in all stations – Look on website for information on what is available to the members.
- E9 starter and gear broke.
- R8 PTO drive shaft blew apart
- T5 electronics problems
- E11 and E7 charging system not working.

Assistant Chief's Report – AV3 Chris Kunzelmann

- FF2 certificate was awarded to Steve Matters
- FF1 and FF2 class notifications have been going out.

Fire Marshal – Jamie DiPace

- Magnet school on Waterville Rd. has propane heaters in the tents.
- Reflexite is adding to their present location.
- Legislative Information – Connecticut is looking into making fireworks legal.

Company 1 – Captain O'Neil – No Report

Company 2 – Captain Bourgoin

- ID pictures for Accountability tags are being taken tonight.

Company 3 – Captain Speich – No Report

Company 4 – Captain Kline

- Update to Firehouse is done.
- Thank you to Dave Bourgard for new parking spaces and new hydrant at Company 4.

Fire Police – Captain Bourgard

- Thank you to all the Fire Police who were at the Lovely St. incident.

Special Operations – Captain Theriault

No report

Personnel – Director of Headquarters Lynn Sedlak

- 2 New Probationary Members. Devin Yazmer to Co. 2 and Phyllis Wilson to HQ

Committee Reports:

- **Membership Committee** – Will meet later this month.
- **Recruitment & Retention:**
 - Recruitment will meet on Jan. 24 at 7:30 Company 1.
- **Community Outreach:**
 - Fundraising – looking into a new printer for letters. Tax collector will help with returned letters. Need to do a new letter. Will have a meeting at end of the month.
 - Citizens' Fire Academy – Had 15 people that are interested in attending. Will contact them to see if they are still interested. The Academy will run from April 4 thru May 24.
 - Working with the Chief on doing something in the parking lot at Big Y with apparatus and information about the department.
 - Finished with fire safety classes at Roaring Brook and going to Pine Grove.
 - FEMA program – Roaring Brook School
- **Cheer and Welfare:**
 - Joe Diani had heart surgery and is at Apple Rehab.

There was no Old or New Business:

Pot O' Gold – none

Attendance – Tom Longworth

Meeting Adjourned at 2055 (GB)