

## **MINUTES OF THE 835<sup>th</sup> CORPORATION MEETING, November 11, 2013**

President Ken Sedlak called the meeting to order at 1930 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Recognized all Veterans

A moment of silence for the people of the Philippines was observed

**Roll Call** – Present: 77, Excused: 25, Absent: 19.

Motion made to accept the Minutes of the 834<sup>th</sup> Corporation Meeting. APPROVED.

Corey Shagensky, DVM from Progressive Animal Wellness presented the department with oxygen masks for dogs and cats. These were purchased with money raised by having people's pets photographed.

### **Correspondence – Secretary Ramona Mansfield**

- Ramona Mansfield presented thank you notes, donations and other correspondences.

### **Highlights from October & November Board Meetings – President Ken Sedlak**

- John Ryan accepted the position of Committee Executive
- Capital Improvement Budget-The Board is recommending that the department push a new station in this year's budget.
- The Board approved up to \$5,000 for Dave Culler to do an architectural rendering of a new west end station.

### **Officers Promotions – Chief Trick**

- Assistant Chief Kline was pinned by his wife Gina after Oath of Office was taken
- Company 1 Captain Nolan was pinned by his wife Jaci after Oath of Office was taken
- Company 1 Lieutenant John Ryan was pinned by his daughter Maddie after Oath of Office was taken
- Company 2 Lieutenant Ramona Mansfield was pinned by her mother, Ellyn after the Oath of Office was taken
- Company 3 Lieutenant Collin Plourde was pinned by Lieutenant Jean Barton after the Oath of Office was taken

### **Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Sue Jansen**

- Budget – Large expenses for keeping the apparatus operational
- Corporate – Still receiving donations from the fundraising letter. The Board approved to set aside \$75,000 from the fundraising funds for any unexpected capital expenses i.e. replace the Duty Officers' car, Truck 18 or Car 17.

### **Town Representative- Jamie DiPace**

- There was an article in the local papers that the Town was in support of the burn building.
- The Town Council wants to support the department

### **Chief's Report – Chief Mike Trick**

- The informational meeting about the firefighter's competency was very well attended. Made some changes and modifications. Will work with members to pass these objectives.

- VCOS
  - The department is doing very well in being progressive.
  - After attending this conference the Chief has come back with a new outlook.
  - While he was at the conference he heard a lot of compliments about this department.
  - Reevaluated his values of Integrity, Courage and Enthusiasm.
  - Jamie And Janet DiPace did a 5K walk while at the conference
  - Patty Trick did a challenge where she climbed 9 flights of stairs twelve times.
- The Chief would like all officers to get to know all of their company members and for the members to know each other.
- Captain Bourgoin and Lieutenant Mansfield are part of the State of Connecticut Color Guard.

**AV2 Assistant Chief Bruce Appell no report**

**AV3 Assistant Chief Chris Kunzelmann**

- The following certifications were given out.
  - FF 1 and FF2 with Hazmat – Randy Johnson
  - Fire Service Instructor 1 – Lieutenant Aaron Gelber
  - Hazmat – Lieutenant John Ryan
- There will be a building in town for the department to do a live burn. Location would be West Hills. Will get more news out to the Captains.

**AV4 Assistant Chief Tom Kline**

- New locks are not in yet
- Received FCC license for fire police repeater. Need to have vendor come out to install.

**AV20 Fire Marshal Jamie DiPace**

- There were 6 structure fires – great firefighting
- The new magnet school will be occupied right after Christmas break.
- The cause of the Farmington Woods fire was undetermined.
- Burn Building
  - Looking into private funding commitments from Corporations.
  - Looking into “In kind services” to help with the cost of the Burn Building
  - Have to raise \$500,000; hopefully by July 1, 2014
  - Town Council said they would help out.

**Company 1 Captain Nolan – no report**

**Company 2 Captain Bourgoin – no report**

**Company 3 Captain Speich – no report**

**Company 4 Captain O’Neil – Meeting with all members of Co. 4 after meeting**

**Fire Police: Lt. Ken Sedlak – No report**

**Medical Officer – Captain Adam Corrado**

- Flu Vaccines – have 50 doses left. If any member or their family needs a shot Captain Corrado will have 2 more clinics in November.
- Volunteer Fire Departments are considered employers and will be affected by Obama care. Volunteer Fire Departments are trying to get this fixed. Captain Corrado has sent a letter to Congress.

**Personnel – Director of Headquarters Lynn Sedlak**

- The following members were promoted to Regular Membership and took the Oath of Membership:
  - Andrew Bloom
  - Phyllis Wilson
  - Devin Yazmer
- The following members were promoted to Regular Membership and will take the Oath of Membership at the next Corporate meeting they attend:
  - Jeremy Bourget
  - Kevin Kasner

**Committee Reports:**

- **Community Outreach: Dennis Bianchi**
  - Thank you to everyone who helped out at the Halloween Party. The department made a profit of \$190.00
  - So far this year the fundraising letter campaign brought in \$70,313. Last year the total brought in before expenses was \$71,605; so we are not that far off.
  - Thank you to everyone who helped with the Bettucci's fundraising. We raised \$928.00
  - Holiday Party will be December 1 from 1:30 to 3:30

**Truck Committee: Dave Bourgoin**

- We have pricing from Rosenbauer and waiting to see what the town will do.

**Buildings: Bob Theriault**

- New light at the entrance of the upper parking lot.
- Company 3 truck 6 bay area has new light
- Company 2 drainage problem. Working with Bruce William

**Clambake and Annual Dinner: Jean Barton**

- Annual dinner is November 16
- Clambake will be left as is since Jean did not hear from a lot of members. It was decided to do something for the kids separate from the Clambake. Mike Galliher offered to work on getting a committee together to get this going.
- Service Pins for Storm Alfred were given out to all members who were on the department during the storm

**New Board Members Elected:**

- Harvey Reeser
- Rick Solari
- Rich Shillington

**Old Business: None**

**New Business: None**

**Good and Welfare:**

- Bus Desmond is doing well after his surgery and is recovering at McLean

**Pot O' Gold** – \$15.20 Matt Caron

**Attendance** – \$10.00 Steve Gottlieb

**Rescue Me Tool** – Matt Caron

Meeting Adjourned at 2110 (GB)