

Waterford Fire Department
12.05.23

Attendance:

Adam Aremburg, Ryan Aremburg, Roy Ash, McKenna Beben, Kevin Colby, Ashton Fischer, Jacob Fucci, Kevin Gillander, Taran Gillander, Colleen Kozlowski, Roger Leroux, Will Rivers, Betty Ann Ryan, Jim Spaulding, Barb Whipple, Colin Fucci

Public Comment: None

Minutes from November 2024: Roy Ash made a motion to approve the minutes and Jim Spaulding seconded this motion. The November 2023 WFD minutes were unanimously approved by members

Treasurer's report:

2023	Budget	YTD 11.30.2023	Remaining Budget	
Insurance	11,500.00	12,512.80	(1,012.80)	
Training	1,500.00	1,004.00	496.00	
Maintenance				
Engine 1	4,875.00	9,517.17	(4,642.17)	
Rescue 1	1,800.00	2,358.17	(558.17)	
Tanker 1	1,000.00	761.06	238.94	
Forestry 1	1,000.00	254.00	746.00	
Equip. Maintenance		7,000.00	5,020.60	1,979.40
PPE	12,000.00	12,000.00		
Communications	4,100.00		4,100.00	
Building Maintenance		2,500.00	1,698.19	801.81
Hydrant Maint of 4,572	850	7,154.29	(1,732.29)	check received in amount
Utilities				
Electric	1,400.00	2,390.23	(990.23)	
Telephone	1,400.00	524.32	875.68	
Internet	470	902.38	(432.38)	
Gas, Oil, Diesel	8,330.00		4,243.28	4,086.72
Supplies	500	381.29	118.71	
Misc		6,958.59	(6,958.59)	
Sub-Total Budget	60,225.00	55,680.37	4,544.63	
Truck Payments		46,581.00	24,523.00	22,058.00
Total	106,806.00	80,203.37	26,602.63	
Transfer to Purchasing Credit			15,536.61	
	1,378.78			

There were further expenditures discussed and voted upon.

*Jim Spaulding made a motion to purchase 8 pair of gloves and Roy Ash seconded the idea. It was unanimously approved by our crew to spend \$880.00 on gloves.

*A motion to spend up to \$1,000.00 for a computer was presented by Roy Ash and Ryan Aremburg seconded the motion. WFD members unanimously approved the motion to purchase a computer.

*The purchase a Blitzfire Master Stream Device for \$2,250 was proposed by Ryan Aremburg and Roger Leroux seconded this proposal. Members voted to approve.

* Barb Whipple made a motion to purchase a Portable Pump for the Forestry truck which will cost \$1,871.00. Betty Ann Ryan seconded the motion and members unanimously approved.

*Purchasing individual SCBA masks and bags for all interior certified firefighters at a cost of \$2760.00 was an idea put forth by Jim Spaulding. Barb Whipple seconded this idea. All qualifying members will be fit tested. This idea was unanimously approved.

\$250.00 being spent on seat belt cutters/windshield punchers was presented by Jim Spaulding and seconded by Will Rivers. Members unanimously approved.

*Ryan Aremburg proposed the purchase of a radio communicator and six new chargers at a cost of \$860.00. Roy Ash seconded the proposal and members voted unanimously to approve.

Grants: Two upcoming in January 2024. More information to come.

New members:

No new members.

EMS training: None

District Training on Feb 19, 2024 and Sept 16, 2024 at Waterford. Feb 17and18, 2024 are the tentative dates for a 16 hour course Vermont Emergency First Responder (VEFR). Ryan Aremburg is working to create an EMR class for the fall, 2024.

Fire training:

Dec 12 TBD and on Dec. 19 we will hold our annual Airpack Consumption training.

Fundraising:

Ideas needed.

Hydrants:

Volunteers needed to test hydrant at Rabbit Hill Inn on Sat. (9th) at 10:00 am. Gravel needed. Will Rivers moved to make a request to the Select Board to plow out hydrants and access. Jim Spaulding seconded this motion and those present unanimously approved.

Building:

Alpha Co. will do the cleaning of the station! This month.

A camera to check furnace levels has been installed in the back furnace room.

A water pipe in attic froze last year. It was put on our agenda to check this weekend in warmer weather.

The satellite dish needs to come down.

General:

Truck maintenance:

The portable pump is hard to start.

Tanker inspected last year, but it can't be inspected because it's at Lakes Region. Pump is estimated to cost \$3000.00 for repair. With an additional \$4-\$5,000.00 for springs.

The Engine is running well-\$11,000.00 repair completed.
 The Rescue Truck had an \$8,000.00 repair and it is working beautifully.

Critique:

DATE	INCIDENT #	ADDRESS	INCIDENT TYPE	ZONE
11/07/2023	2023-140	1989 Shadow Lake RD	Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	Area 3
11/13/2023	2023-141	4002 Duck Pond RD	EMS call	Area 3
11/19/2023	2023-142	Duck Pond RD	Motor vehicle accident with injuries	Area 3
11/22/2023	2023-143	48 Lower Waterford RD	Medical assist, assist EMS crew	Area 3
11/23/2023	2023-144	193 N mm 9/4 EXPY N	Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be smoke	Area 3
11/27/2023	2023-145	165 Stonybrook RD	Good intent call, other	Area 3
11/29/2023	2023-146	917 US Rte 2 HWY	Good intent call, other	Kirby, VT
11/30/2023	2023-147	495 Lawrence RD	EMS call	Area 3

Chief Notes:

The Chief position is open in January 2024, Captain and Treasurer positions are open.
 Annual Firefighter dinner is planned for January 27, 2024. Looking for donations.
 Firefighter evaluations will be done in January and February 2024.
 Feedback is requested concerning how we members feel about the department as a whole. Please see Colin Fucci and/or Will Rivers.
 Focus will continue to be on truck driving and pump instruction.

Unfinished business

None

New Business:

None

Where is that?

None

Betty Ann Ryan moved to end our monthly business meeting and Barb Whipple seconded this motion. Our December business meeting concluded at 20:36 hour.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Colleen Cook Kozlowski

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