

TULLY JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held by the Tully Joint Fire District, December 16, 2024 at 7:00 PM at the Tully Fire Station, 1 Railroad Street, Tully, New York at which time the following Commissioners were in attendance:

Commissioners:
Gary Malone, Chairman
Jeffrey Rothery, Deputy Chairman
Edward Wortley
Daniel Cooter
Craig Clemons

Also present: Cheryl Wayne, Frank Speziale, Chief David Battle, Joe Nemier, Ben Bibik, Sue Prince, Dan Graves, Dave Chrisman, Art Rienhardt, Mike Bradley

Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes were reviewed – A motion was made by Commissioner Cooter and seconded by Commissioner Rothery to approve the November 2024 Minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

Vouchers were approved-

A motion was made by Commissioner Cooter and seconded by Commissioner Rothery to approve the December 2024 invoices totaling \$11,448.15. The motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report-

1. The bank reconciliations were signed by Commissioner Cooter.
2. The interest on the reserve accounts for November 2024 totaled \$3,919.55
3. I moved \$10,000 into the checking account from the NY Class Working Capital account to cover invoices for December. That leaves us with about \$8,000 in the checkbook and \$107,599.61 in the reserve account for our remaining 2024 budget money
4. I ordered new checks. The bank sent a double order with the same check numbers and we were billed twice for them. A credit of \$60.50 came through November 13th.

5. We have 3 credits on our Reagan account for \$509.00, \$452.00 and \$466.00. They were issued for a truck removed on our account that was never credited. I received a check for \$1,427 that I deposited today into the checking account.
6. I will need a motion to pay any necessary year end invoices. A motion was made by Commissioner Rothery and seconded by Commissioner Malone to pay these with Commissioner approval. The motion was unanimously approved.
7. I need a motion to transfer any remaining 2024 budget funds into reserves. A motion was made by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Cooter to approve any transfers. I will email all Commissioners first for approval. The motion was unanimously approved.
8. We will meet January 6, 2025 at 5:30 PM for our Organizational meeting. I will put a legal notice in the paper for this meeting.

Chief's report-

- 1) The total calls for November were 14 and for the year is 177.
- 2) I installed the radio chargers in TP-12 to save money.
- 3) We are working on the box alarms
- 4) Fire Gear- There are a couple sets on order. The 10-year expiration date is for interior only. Chief Battle is clarifying the dates for all gear. All gear is annually inspected and d
- 5) There was a question about air bags to lift vehicles. Do they need to be inspected? Can they dry rot? Dave was going to contact the manufacturer to see what they suggest. Chief Battle spoke with other departments that have had their airbags twice as long as ours and theirs are fine.
- 6) Physicals are going well. There was a question is EKG's are needed or required. Commissioner Malone still needs to clarify this answer.

Truck Committee- no report

Training Facility- They were going to have a quick meeting after this meeting tonight.

Presidents Report- The Tully Hose Company voted in Chief David Battle, Car 2 Dan Graves and Car 3 Joe Nemier. A motion was made by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Cooter to approve the 3 Chiefs for 2025. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ambulance Report- no report

Old Business-

1. Commissioner Malone emailed Dave Knapp about funding for an electronic sign. He has not yet replied.
2. There is still an issue with the new copier. Ben Bibik will follow up with Toshiba on this.
3. Richard Shaw came Thanksgiving morning and he and Ed did a repair to a boiler that was leaking. Luckily, Ed had the part needed at his house.

4. Chief Battle wondered if there was any more discussion about getting a side by side in order to access the solar fields. We have not had any conversation regarding this matter.
5. Station 2 door handle is broken and needs to be repaired.

New Business-

1. There was discussion to fill out beneficiary forms for members for our insurance.
2. Dave Chrisman spoke about using our local Fitness Center for training and keeping in good health. The owner has offered a 50% off membership for Tully Hose Company members, Auxiliary and Staff. It was suggested for him to get a better idea of how many members would utilize this offer and bring back more information to us next month.

Policies- nothing at this time

Grants-

1. Commissioner Malone submitted the paperwork necessary for us to get the last grant funds of \$26,000.00
2. A new grant period opened up from November 11-December 22. We submitted 2 separate grants. One for turnout gear and one for hose. The airbags would be considered medium priority and would not be beneficial to us getting other grants so we did not put one in for those.

Legal- We need to submit paperwork to be able to settle the accident with Tyler Memory. It is still under investigation and we need the accident report. It led to questions about beneficiaries for our insurance.

Visitors Questions from the floor-

Commissioner Malone spoke for the Board in thanking Dan Cooter for his service on the board the last 5 years. He did a great job with his knowledge and help with the building.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cooter and seconded by Commissioner Wortley to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Wayne

Meetings are held at the Tully Fire Station, 1 Railroad Street, Tully, NY 13159 beginning at 7:00 PM
