

TULLY JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held by the Tully Joint Fire District, March 24, 2022 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
Edward Wortley
Daniel Cooter

Jeffrey Rothery, Deputy Chairman, absent
Craig Clemons, absent

Also present: Cheryl Wayne, Frank Speziale, Dave Prince, Ben Bibik

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

Minutes were reviewed – A motion was made by Commissioner Wortley and seconded by Commissioner Cooter to approve the February 2022 Minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

Vouchers were approved-

A motion was made by Commissioner Wortley and seconded by Commissioner Cooter to approve the March 2022 invoices totaling \$15,223.31. The motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report-

- 1.The reconciliation report was signed by Commissioner Wortley.
2. Do we want to transfer any reserve funds now? I will email all commissioners before I transfer anything.
3. I wrote 2 checks to the Hose Company for 5 invoices and 2 invoices that were previously approved in January.
4. A check I wrote to Vedad for a training class is voided because the class is full.
5. The audit conducted by Bonadio will start Monday. I need to upload the information. They just emailed me Tuesday
- 6.I filed an extension for the State report. I have not been able to get it to balance.

Chief's report-

March 24, 2022
Tully Joint Fire District
Chief's Report by Frank Speziale

Old Business:

- a) ~~Smoke Alarm and Co2 Detectors Grant... Status Still Pending.~~
- b) ~~Gary mentioned that TenKate applied for a Turn-Out Gear Grant.. Status Still Pending.~~
- c) ~~Discussed buying a used Fit Test Machine in the amount of \$6,500.00 from Jerome. New machine costs \$10,000.00. Much discussion... Tabled for another mtg in the future.~~
- d) We did not burn the Banner barn on Saturday March 19th due to a burn ban in effect.
- e) The 2 Stihl vent saws that were approved back in August have come in. 1 for each Engine. The old saws will be put on TP-12 or Squad-63 for now.
- f) The 2 portable pumps that were approved back in August have been cancelled... Still were on back order. One portable pump with a 275 gpm was ordered in their place and has been received. We still lack the suction hose that was ordered with the pump.
- g) Commissioners: Need to develop a policy on Marijuana use for medical use and now that it's legal in New York State on driving District apparatus. *Gary to update.*
- h) A new Thermal Imaging Camera for Engine-14 has been purchased which has been approved. Unsure on delivery at this point. Approx Cost: \$8,000. *Approved to buy up to \$8,000.*
- i) RP-15: Priority Fire installed the rear ladder and Arrow Light.

New Business:

- Alarms: For the month of February 2022: 23. Total year to date to February 2022: 41. Total amount of calls to date same time last year (February 2021): 20.

Monday Evening Training:

- March 14: Truck / SCBA Checks.
- **Wednesday Daytime Training:**
- Day Drill: Wed March 16th – Fire Protection / Fire Behavior.
- March 21: Brush Fires / Put Skid Unit in Squad-63 and test.
- March 28: Water / Ice Rescue Practices

Purchases:

TV for meeting room. Approx cost \$1599.00 at BJs. Make is Samsung or LG 85" UHD with smart capabilities. *Per Gary, the Board would like 3 prices.*

Building Repairs:

None to my knowledge.

Apparatus / Portable Equipment Repairs:

- TP-11: Hose Bed Cover. Don coming to Tully Wednesday the 30th to measure the hosebed cover and the cover for the Blitz nozzle on TP-12.

General Comments:

- Banner Property: ~~Can we build or add portable structures for training, do land adjustments to level the ground, etc?~~ Also need to seek funding from Government. *Commissioners to meet with Village Board for option to buy. Concerns are grants might not be available if property is leased.*
- ~~Looking to add trailer receivers on RP-15. Will get pricing while truck is at Priority Fire. Beginning first of the year look at purchasing a portable winch. Will get pricing first.~~
- Outside lighting needs adjusting for parking areas (still come on at 4pm), and the display sign needs to be on during the night.
- Career Staff Response for Alarms: Chad has reviewed them and is ok with them. *Per Gary, ok with Board members in attendance.*
 - If Volunteer staff is available to staff Engine-14, the Paramedic should respond as well in the Medic Car along with Engine-14 to the scene. IF Engine-14 lacks a driver, the Paramedic on Duty shall be the driver. The Paramedic should wait approximately 5 minutes before responding in the medic car, to make sure a driver is available to drive the Engine.
 - During the daytime, volunteer members are few. The daytime Career staff (if not on an ambulance call) will respond in Engine-14 to the alarm, advise Fire Control the medic car is out of service. When the alarm is closed and the Engine returns to service, Fire Control shall put the Medic Car back in service.
 - During nights and weekends, there are times volunteer staff is limited, and if the Career Paramedic on duty is not on an ambulance call, he shall commit to Engine-14, either as a driver or firefighter, advise Fire Control the medic car is out of service. When the alarm is closed and the Engine returns to service, Fire Control shall put the Medic Car back in service.
 - Ambulance Alarms in the Tully District and or Mutual Aid to a neighboring District... If the Paramedic is in the Engine, shall respond (within reason) direct to the scene and meet up with Tully Ambulance or a Mutual Aid Ambulance. Volunteer staff can bring the Engine back to Tully if the Paramedic meets with another ambulance. Patient Care should not be delayed due to the Paramedic being in the Engine. It's all about community service; the citizens of the community come first.
 - IF a neighboring Dept calls Tully for an Apparatus to the scene of a fire looking for manpower, the Career Staff can respond to assist with manpower. Another Fire Dept at that point shall be dispatched to cover Tully for alarms.
 - IF a neighboring Dept calls Tully for an Apparatus to Stand-By to cover their Fire District, the Career Staff on duty, whether it be during the day, nights, or weekends, shall not stand-by in another district. They can Stand-By in our District. If volunteer staff is available, they can staff an Engine to cover a requesting dept to stand-by in their District.

Presidents Report-

- 1.The Hose Company Installation Banquet will be held Saturday.
- 2.The Hose Company will hold a raffle for 2 fishing kayaks as a fundraiser for the fishing derby tournament.
- 3.We raised \$4,700 from the Cash Bash drawing.
4. There was discussion about replacing the Smart Board and install a smart TV instead. We will discuss more next month.

Ambulance Report-

1. Number of EMS calls for February Was 45
2. A-1 Got 4 New Rear Tires, A-2 Got 2 New Front Tires
3. Mc-1 Had New Fuel Filter and Exhaust Manifold
4. The New Lucas Device Is Now Inservice
5. Service On the Lifepaks Was Completed. Mc-1 Main Board Was Replaced.

Old Business-

- 1.Commissioner Wortley is looking into replacing the southern property fence. It wont stay snapped together from the snow and settling. We can use the pieces for repair on the other sections if needed. He will research what to do and report back next month.
- 2.Commissioner Cooter has a quote from Syracuse Time and Alarm and Eastern Security(Sonitrol). He will follow up on this month next month.
- 3.The Commissioners are still determining what to do with the carpets. Would it be better to own them and pressure wash occasionally or is it still better to have a company clean them? The Commissioners are checking to see who other local businesses use to possibly get a better rate than we are now.
4. There was discussion about Franks suggestion for the career staff reporting on calls whether it should be an SOP or a Gentleman's Agreement. It was determined that it will be in writing when its complete.
5. Commissioner Wortley is still looking into getting the roof on Station 2 done this year. He will keep everyone informed on this.

New Business- none

Policies- none

Grants-

- 1.Chief Speziale met with the DEC agent to approve our purchase for the grant items. We should be receiving the funds soon.
- 2.The was discussion about grants that might be available if we can purchase the Banner property for training.
3. Commissioner Malone reported that Senator Schumer's office sent a letter of support to FEMA in support of our AFG Grant application.

Legal- none

Visitors Questions from the floor-

1. Discussion continued about the Banner Property and what and where to put a training tower, pushball practice court, possible mobile home and shipping container. There will be more discussion as this develops.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cooter and seconded by Commissioner Wortley to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Wayne

The remaining meeting dates are April 21, May 19, June 23, July 21, August 18, September 22, October 20, November 17 and December 15, 2022.

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