

Northern Piatt Fire Protection District
Business Meeting
October 14, 2019

Called the meeting to order at 19:55.

Roll call was taken.

Minutes were reviewed by Cindy Giertz.

Treasurer's Report was read by Chief Jones. Balances include: \$558.73 – checking account; \$25,054.27 - memorial fund; \$5,008.11 - 343 fund; \$2,410.39 – CPR fund; total of \$33,031.90.

Committees

- 1) Trailer – Zach, Andy
- 2) Lounge –
- 3) Homecoming – Cody, Zach, Caleb, Todd
- 4) Fire Prevention – Dave, Andy, Brian, Zach, Bryan
- 5) Engine 343 – Andy
- 6) Training – Dave, Zach, Andy, Jason
- 7) Media & Promotion – Mike, Dave, Bryan, Caleb
- 8) Christmas Dinner – Zach, Cody, Brian
- 9) Former Member – Zach, Dave, Mike
- 10) Nominations – Jason, Zach
- 11) Memorial Fund – Brian, Derek, Andy
- 12) Pancake-Sausage Breakfast - Cody, Bryan, Zach

Committee Reports

Old Business

- 1) Members were reminded to wash their turnout gear.
- 2) Members were reminded to keep trucks fueled.
- 3) Members were reminded to make sure TargetSolutions is updated by October 31 in order to ensure that pay is received in November.
- 4) The flagpole will be installed tonight after the business meeting.
- 5) Turnout Gear Committee has not yet met.
- 6) Andy will discuss repair of the old truck with his dad.
- 7) Cindy is providing copies of approved meeting minutes to the trustees in their meeting packets.
- 8) The new generator was installed last week. The entire building is now on back-up power, with automatic transfer to back-up in case of a power outage. The system self-tests once each month.
- 9) The Chief reported that trustees have decided that new toilets can be installed while they are waiting to determine whether other renovations will need to comply with ADA standards.

New Business

- 1) Fire reports are not being completed as required. There was a call on Davis Court on 9/29/19 and the report is not complete and no information is available as to who responded to this call.
- 2) Mansfield Halloween trick-or-treating will take place on October 31, 5-8pm. Several members indicated that they can be at the station to give out candy. The Chief will purchase candy for this event.
- 3) Discussion was held about the lack of participation on calls. At a recent structure fire, only the Chief and Bryan E. showed up. This appears to be a poor response for 9pm on a weeknight. It was noted that only about three members appear to be showing up for many calls.

- 4) The Chief reported that Caleb Woliung has resigned as he has moved out of the district. He is currently living in Farmer City and has apparently joined their fire department. He has indicated that he hopes to move back to the district in the future.
- 5) It appears that no one is interested in participating in the Farmer City Christmas Parade on November 24.
- 6) Discussion was held about hosting a chili dinner. Brian C. and Zach R. will meet to decide on a date for this event (possibly November 21 or December 5). Volunteers will be needed.
- 7) It was decided to purchase new Christmas lights and decorations for the outside of the building.
- 8) Memorial donations have been received for Loren Roth and Gene Bateman.
- 9) The Chief will discuss the Christmas dinner with the trustees at Wednesday's meeting.
- 10) Members were asked to begin considering candidates for Firefighter of the Year.
- 11) Jason noted that the Piatt County Firefighter Meeting will be held on October 19 in Deland. He also reported that the new hybrid training class at IFSI had excellent turnout and two more classes may be held this winter.
- 12) Andy reported that the old power washer is not working and asked about the possibility of buying a new one. The Chief will discuss this at the trustee meeting on Wednesday evening.
- 10) The Chief reminded members that we should think about draining pumps because of the upcoming colder weather.

Meeting adjourned at 20:20.