

Northern Piatt Fire Protection District
Business Meeting
July 13, 2020

Called the meeting to order at 19:00.

Roll call was taken.

Minutes were reviewed by Cindy Giertz.

Treasurer's Report was read by Chief Jones. Balances include: \$583 – checking account; \$19,007 - memorial fund; \$5,009 - 343 fund; \$3,161 – CPR fund; total of \$27,762.

Committees

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

Committee Reports

- 1) Pancake-Sausage Breakfast was cancelled due to the Governor's Executive order and ongoing pandemic. If the state of Illinois moves to Phase 5 of the Restoring Illinois plan, the department may consider hosting an event such as a biscuit/gravy breakfast or chili dinner in the fall or winter.

Old Business

- 1) The air bag system has arrived and is available for use as needed. New hoses and valves were ordered.
- 2) The pressure washer is here and is working well. It should be used for cleaning hoses as needed.
- 3) The trustees approved a new pay plan at the June 2020 meeting effective July 1, 2020. The new plan includes the following: Calls - \$12 per call; Meetings - \$20 per meeting; EMS reports - \$10 per report; Fire reports - \$5 per report; Extra classes/training - \$20 per session. The Chief has given Cindy the payroll information for the period from November 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. It was noted that special circumstances (e.g., special training, longer than normal time at calls, etc.) can be brought to the attention of the trustees for consideration for additional pay.
- 4) Members were reminded to complete/update training in Target Solutions.
- 5) No information has yet been received on the FEMA grant.
- 6) Members were reminded that if the firefighter running the radio during a call needs to leave the station, they should sign off so everyone is aware they are no longer at the station.
- 7) The Chief will review records to ensure that all members have completed NIMS training.
- 8) The air compressor has been repaired. This year's budget includes funding for purchase of a replacement air compressor.
- 9) Members were reminded that old turnout gear should be washed and kept available for training and for use by new members until their turnout gear is ordered once they've completed their probationary period. Samples of boots are available for members to try on. The Chief reported that

there is a new safety standard for hoods that has not yet been approved so new hoods will be purchased after the approval is received.

- 10) Members were reminded to keep all vehicles at $\frac{3}{4}$ full.
- 11) Ice machine has been replaced.
- 12) The department received a small equipment grant in the amount of \$25,000. The funds were used to purchase new extrication equipment and three portable radios.

New Business

- 1) The Chief reported that a memorial of \$725 was received in honor of Frances Mackey.
- 2) Bryan E. distributed questionnaires for the "member spotlight" to be put on the department's Facebook page. Members should complete their questionnaire and put it in Bryan's mailbox.
- 3) The Chief noted that we will continue to social distancing at meetings.
- 4) The Chief noted that all department vehicles have masks in them.
- 5) The deadline for replacement of cardiac monitors and AEDs has been moved to February 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:30.