

Foster Center Volunteer Fire Company

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The July 14, 2014 monthly meeting of the Foster Center Volunteer Fire Company was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Christine Hanson. There were 16 members present.

Prior to the Secretary's report being read, the following officers were sworn in by Chief Bill Ziehl: Chief Aaron Marsland, Deputy Chief Bill Paul, Captain Sal Calisle Sr., Lieutenant Dave Heroux, President Christine Hanson, Vice-President Sue Sprague, Secretary Barbara Canuel, and Treasurer Catherine Bay.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The monthly statistical reports are posted on the kitchen bulletin board. There were a total of 13 calls for the month of June.

The Chief's report was read and accepted. We received donations from the Couillard family which will be used at our fire station totaling approximately \$4,000.00. Congratulations to Deputy Chief Bill Paul, Captain Sal Calisle, Engineer Charles Hanson, Guenter Bay, Sal Calisle Jr., Josh Giglietti, and Keri Vanasse for completing the Driver Training Program.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted showing a grand total cash amount of \$21,078.72.

Committee Reports

Ways & Means : Balance in the checking account is \$316.61. The tickets and letters for the raffle have been printed and ready to go. Help is needed to stuff the envelopes. New ideas for fundraisers include a wine tasting planned for October.

Building : Still here.

Fire Alarm & Communications : Call sign WQAP957 frequency repeater for Jerimoth Hill has been renewed.

Rescue Captain : All equipment in service and operating efficiently.

Training : There will be a Firefighter Level 1 Class starting September 3rd on Monday and Wednesday nights. If interested, let Chief Marsland know tonight as sign up is due by July 14th. Sal would like to thank all those who attended the Driver Training Program on June 21st and 22nd.

Engineering Board : Evacuation drill held on June 3, 2014 went well. We won't hear anything until September concerning the hose testing. Cost is approximately \$3,000.00.

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Equipment : New turnout gear has been ordered for Guenter Bay and Mikayla Kellsell and will be reimbursed by the Safer Grant Program. Also, boots have been purchased for Lt. Dave Heroux.

Chief Engineer : Annual maintenance required for inspections due next month. Engine 4 needs a power steering piston because it is leaking.

New Business : Chief Marsland would like to form a membership committee to review all future applications to see if the applicants are committed and to see what their plans are for the department. They would be reviewed on Monday before the meeting. Chief Marsland suggested checking the bi-laws to see if this is feasible. Also, a reminder that the banquet will be held July 19th at 6:00PM at the Bishop Hill Tavern. Sign up sheet available.

List of Candidates : We have received an application for Probationary Member from Karen Lemire. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to put this application through the normal channels. Congratulations to Christopher Connors, Melody Lawrence, Elda Carrigan, and Shelby Sprague on becoming the newest members of the Foster Center Volunteer Fire Company.

Bills & Communications : A motion was made, seconded, and passed to pay the bills which totaled \$7,516.94.

Good of the Order : Chief Marsland is hoping this year is going to be a good year. Deputy Chief Paul would like to thank Guenter Bay for helping us get new supplies and saving our department money.

Adjournment : A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the July 14, 2014 meeting at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Canuel
Recording Secretary