

**Colebrook Fire Department  
Forge Company  
September 14, 2021 Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance:** Deputy Chief Todd Hiller, Captain Steven Sartirana, Chris Beaulieu, Maureen Bascetta, Bob Bull, Evan Sartirana, and Chief Ben Bartlett.

Deputy Chief Todd Hiller called the regular monthly meeting of the Colebrook Fire Department Forge Company to order at 19:13 hours.

**Reading and approval of minutes:**

Captain Steven Sartirana presented the minutes from the August meeting. With there being no discussion or amendments to the minutes, a motion was made by Steven Sartirana, and seconded by Bob Bull to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed unanimously.

**Report of Treasurer and bills for payment:**

Treasurer Rick Tillotson was not in attendance. A motion was made by Steven Sartirana and seconded by Bob Bull to suspend the treasurer's report until the October meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**Communications, correspondence, and notices:**

There were no communications, correspondence, or notices to discuss.

**Report of Committees:**

The new truck committee will look at New Hartford's Engine/Rescue on September 22, 2021. The committee will then meet on October 10, 2021 at Forge Station at 09:00 to discuss and draft a specification for the potential purchase of an engine/rescue to replace Engine 2.

**Admission of applications for new membership:**

There were no new membership applications received.

**Old Business:**

Camp Jewel fireworks were canceled due to the increase of COVID cases in Litchfield County.

The open house scheduled for October 3, 2021 at Forge Station has been postponed to a tentative date of October 17, 2021, should COVID restrictions allow.

The October 16, 2021 Colebrook Associates fund raiser has been canceled.

The company officers attended a demonstration of the Rover (Spotted Dog) app for responders at the Norfolk Fire Department. Upon completion of the demonstration the department officers determined that this would be beneficial to the department. The Center Company voted on September 13, 2021 to purchase the required equipment and software for the program. A motion was made by Steven Sartirana and seconded by Chris Beaulieu to allow for the purchase of the required equipment and software for the Rover program. The motion passed unanimously. Deputy Chief Hiller and Captain Sartirana will serve on the committee for the purchase.

The Zello app has been activated and is being used by the officers.

Annual hose testing has been scheduled for October 13, 2021. The testing will be done at the Mallory Brook Plaza.

The extrication demonstration conducted at the fair was a success. The department will work on a different demonstration for next year's fair.

#### **New Business:**

The new Hurst rescue tools will have its annual service done on September 24, 2021.

A search and rescue drill will be held on September 21, 2021 at the Forge Station. Riverton will also be attending.

A hydrant and pumping drill will be held on September 28, 2021. The drill will be held in Riverton at 19:00.

#### **Chief's Report:**

Chief Mark Worsman of the New Hartford Fire Department has been elected to serve as the Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association President. His swearing in ceremony will be held on November 23, 2021.

Chief Bartlett thanked all who attended the appreciation dinner. It was a wonderful night of comradery, recognition, laughs, and remembrance. Chief Bartlett also thanked Captain Sartirana for his hard work in preparing the 9/11 tribute presentation.

#### **For the good of the Company:**

No items were brought forth for the good of the company.

Being no further business, a motion was made by Steven Sartirana and seconded by Bob Bull to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 19:50 hours following the pledge of allegiance.

Respectfully submitted,

*Steven J. Sartirana*

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