

Union Center Fire Company
Annual Business Meeting
February 7th, 2009

Treasurer's Report:

- Attached to printed minutes
 - Motion to accept by C. Haight & B. Bealo

Bills and Communications:

- No Report

Board Communications:

- Anything that has to do with the running of the company, needs to go through the Board of Directors if you would like to change them
- The new Sunoco cards are in. The stipulation to use them is if it is day time, you need to go to the town. If it is night time, it is okay for you to use the card
- We have spoken about the trailer for the rehab tent, we are currently researching it.

Officer Report's

Chief:

- Beginning today, please put your phones on vibrate for meetings and trainings. If they do ring and you need to answer them, please feel free to leave the room to take the call
- We got a letter from Endicott water works letting us know that we are only supposed to use 3 hydrants during the winter months
- If you have a problem with someone in the department, please bring it to me and not to the Board members. I am capable of handling it. If you have a station issue, it is okay to take it right to the Board
- If you miss the rig for a call, you are to stay in the station for stand-by. **DO NOT** leave on your own; you need to get permission from the officer in charge
- Thank you for a good year. We got about \$80,000 total from the government. We have had good calls lately and we have been doing an excellent on them.
- We will be putting voice amplifiers on all the masks
- If anyone needs an updated blue light card, please let me know.

1st Assistant Chief:

- Attached to printed minutes

2nd Assistant Chief:

- Attached to printed minutes

Day Captain:

- No report

Night Captain:

- No report

1st Lieutenant:

- Maine fire – good job to all who attended, Jack did a great job!

2nd Lieutenant:

- Vacant

Fire Police Captain:

- No report

Maintenance:

- Attached to print minutes

Air/Cascade:

- The air pack (#10) that was out of service last month, is back in service. Please keep an eye on it.
- Please let air packs thaw out in the winter months prior to cleaning them. It is not good for them to be cold and try to take them apart.
- **DO NOT** to change the batteries in the air packs. Let either Hoyt or Chief Silvestri know and they will do it.

EMS:

- We are negotiating to put a folding back board on Pumper-Tanker 2 and also on Engine 4.
- A unified command system is being worked on so fire and EMS agencies can work together on incidents
- Rehab is moving ahead. We currently need some way to transport the tent. In mid March we are going to be doing training with

UVES. It is going to be held at their central station on March 12th at 7:00 PM.

Training:

- Attached to printed minutes from Belensky
- Interest in pump operation, Marci is putting class together. About 20 hours and starting from basics and going into complicated stuff later. If you do have an interest, please contact Marci. The class will be held when the weather gets warmer.

Safety:

- Remember to wear your gear and if you are not in full gear please wear a vest.
- Physicals are this year. Go down and make your own appointment. Next month we will get the paper work out to you. They will need to be done by June 30th.

Fire Marshal:

- Attached to printed minutes

Committee Report's

Audit:

- No Report

Parade:

- Attached to printed minutes.

Social:

- No Report

By-Law:

- Article VII Chiefs and Line officers 16 yes 3 no 2 abstaining
- Article IV Membership Rejected

Membership:

- Paul Brischoff
→ Mutual aid letter to be gotten from Chief
- William Dieffenbacher

Election of New Members:

- No Report

B.C. Fire Association:

- Last night Steve Cole received firefighter of year for pulling a 9 year old child from a fire.
- Check out their website. Good video about dangers of I-Joyce in homes.

Website:

- Attached to printed minutes

Retention/Recruiting:

- Thanks to all those who participated in recruitment day. It got real complicated real fast with the fire that we had to leave for. Going forward, if you have any suggestions for getting new people, please let us know.

Business

Old Business:

- Status of the monument move
 - nothing new to report
- The following members have been voted off probation
 - Max Adams
 - Bill Gasdik
 - Neal Haight
 - All voted off probation 17 yes 0 no 0 abstain
- S. Bryant's membership was terminated by the Board.
- Nomination board closed

New Business:

- Cheri Gurley 24 yes 0 no 0 abstain
- Josh Graupman 24 yes 0 no 0 abstain

- Motion made to for Dennis voted off probabtion due to previous service with us 24 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Nomination Board Votes: 1 Vote cast by the secretary for everyone running unopposed

Chief

Silvestri - 1

1st Asst

Belensky - 21
C. Haight - 4
No abstain

2nd Asst

C. Haight 8
Hoyt 15
3 abstain

Day Captain

Vankuren - 1

Night Captain

C. Haight - 1

1st Lieutenant

S. Gurley - 1

EMS Captain

R. Serowik - 1

Fire Police Captain

T. Mason - 1

Board

K. Serowik - 16
Trzcinski - 7
B. Bealo - 2

- All new committees were formed. The will be posted in the stations

- Planning for chicken bbq

→ Planning with the Park Manor garage sale day, it usually falls on the 1st weekend in June. K. Miga is to meet with them regarding a date. It is to be looked at again next month.

Minutes approved by:

- C. Haight and B. Bealo

Attendance:

26 present

24 voting

Minutes by: Sulger