

Lower St. Croix Valley Fire Department
General Membership Meeting

February 9, 2021

Called to Order – 1830 hrs by Chief Jim Stanley

Attendance – Armstrong, Barcus, Campbell, Corey, Cruz, Fogarty, Hannigan, Johnson, Jurek, K. Kirby, S. Kirby, Kleinschmidt, Malecek, McKenzie, Michel, Muenchow, Nelson, O'Brien, Parker, Piscitello, Schneider, Seeberger, Stanley, Talcott, Wall, Wandschneider, Wirth
Review of Minutes from previous Officer's and General Membership Meetings – Read.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer minutes read by Kevin Johnson.
- Mike Cruz made supplied Kevin Johnson with attendance for board members' meetings; all met required 75% to get paid for their meeting attendance.
- Treasurer's report accepted as read—motion made by Brenda McKenzie, seconded by Greg Michel.

[Meeting closed temporarily for relief meeting and annual presentation.]

Events: Member jackets can be picked up in the conference room. A few are still on backorder.

Education: Requests for CPR classes are being taken.

Website: Relief meeting and district meeting minutes will be posted on the public website.

Officer Reports:

Deputy Chief Kevin Kirby: Nothing reported.

Deputy Chief Rob Corey:

- Drill sheets for MN Fire training are in the radio room.
- Any member doing additional side activities for the department (ie, boat work, painting, etc.) should document time for budgeting purposes.
- Captains will be kept informed of any member falling behind on calls or drills. Those members will be contacted by squad officer to help get caught up.
- Target Solutions is up and running. All members have been registered with email and addresses. Passwords will be set up.

Captain Dave Schneider: Nothing reported.

Captain Steve Fogarty: Nothing reported.

Captain Chip Hannigan: Nothing reported.

Captain Mike Cruz:

- All 4 sets of dive gear are in.
- Pool drill for dive team will be Monday, Feb. 15 at 1930 hrs at Stillwater Jr. High. Notify Mike Cruz if you would like to try diving or the Gumby suits.
- Pool drill for Monday, Mar. 15 will be at 1930 hrs at Oakland Jr. High.

Chief Jim Stanley:

- "Chief 5" is operational with Dispatch now.
- A 3% pay raise will be voted on tomorrow night during finance report at district meeting.
- New engine to be ordered will be a mirror image of Engine 1 but with an interior pump panel and one less seat in the cab. Since the truck committee met there have been a couple of changes including elimination of the 2-½" front speed lay (there is already one off the rear). We are coming in right on budget.
- A boat proposal will be presented to the District. If approved it wouldn't be received till October. Hudson FD is purchasing the same boat.
- Officers are here to help members in any way possible to keep members active, trained and engaged with the fire department. If something happens personally to any member we are here to help, but we can't help if we don't know what's going on so please reach out.
- Jim Stanley will be having knee surgery on Friday, Feb. 19. He will be out of service a couple of weeks before then returning to administrative-only work until doctor approval to return to full service.

Old Business: Nothing reported.

New Business:

- Welcome back to Sherry Kirby.
- Kevin Johnson thanked membership for support during his work restricting him to cab-only duties due to Covid. This restriction was lifted Mar. 2 due to full vaccination.
- Discussed appreciation dinner and thank you cards for recently retired board members.

Meeting adjourned at 2152 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Kleinschmidt
Administrative Assistant