

**New Hartford Village Fire District
Monthly Meeting
April 9, 2015**

B. Rieger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: B. Rieger, J.Halnon, D. Casella, G. Brookes, K. Parsell, Chief Worsman, E. Parsell and K. Carvalho.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Motion made by K.Parsell to accept the March 2015 Minutes. Seconded by D.Casella. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- The credit from Waterway to the equipment maintenance category is on page 2. **K. Parsell motioned to accept Treasurer's Report. Seconded by D.Casella. Motion passed.**

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

- Tax Collectors report: \$1,310.09 collected in March; (0) Adjustments; (0) Bounced checks; (0) Refunds (0) Lien Released; (0) Liens Put On; (95%) Current Year; (n/a) All Years. **K.Parsell motioned to accept Tax Collector's Report for March 2015. Seconded by G. Brookes. Motion passed.**

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- B.Rieger received an email from Bud Butler regarding the fire hydrant hold harmless agreement. The agreement will be drawn up soon, as well as report findings on the hydrants.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- **Calls:** 60 Calls Y-t-D, 16 calls from 3/12/-4/9/15.
- **Significant/Mutual Aid Calls:** On 4/6/15 a major MVA at 440 Main St. with extrication into a house.
- **Fuel Usage** – Approximately 160 gallons/monthly
- **Training** –Strategy and tactics training occurred outside in March. Upcoming April training by CT Fire Academy for two nights, "Man and Machinery."
- **Membership** –No new members.
- **Vehicle Maintenance** –Brush 2 repairs next week. The discharge gauge was replaced on Engine 7.
- **Preventive Maintenance**- None.
- **Nepaug/Pine Meadow** – Productive meeting between officers last month, working on joint projects, training and Standard Operating Guidelines (SOGs).
- **Daytime Driver** –One estimate for masonry repair for Station 1 - \$10,500 (waiting for other bids) plus repairs Chris can fix. Station 2 exhaust system - actual cost \$12,063. Brush 2 welding for bed repair completed 3/26/15 and shoreline unit & LED gauge installed 3/13/15. Extrication pump unit required service 4/6/15. The combi unit pump will be sent out for repair when loaner onsite.
- **Station 1** –The kitchen dishwasher electrical was installed.
- **Station 2** – Nothing new to report

- **Miscellaneous** –The new engine bids were sent out to 8 vendors, due date June 1st. **Motion by K. Parsell, second by G. Brookes to accept Chief’s report. Motion Passed.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A finalized draft for the deputy chief and chief job description will be sent to the district committee for review and will be voted on at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- C. Sterpka will sign credit card application and Mark will send copy to K.Carvalho.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Committee discussed the proposed list of electricity suppliers/pricing for the 2015-16 budget year. Motion by K.Parsell, second by D.Casella to go with Public Power for the 18 month term (through 11/30/16) at \$8.99 cents per kwh. This price will go into effect as soon as possible. K.Carvalho will notify the supplier.
- Committee discussed the proposed list of oil suppliers. **Motion made by D.Casella , seconded by K. Parsell to remain with Quinoco Oil at the fixed price of \$2.599/gal, total purchase 4,500 gallons for the 2015-2016 season. Motion Passed.**

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- K.Carvalho received J.Halnon’s letter for consideration of re-election to the NHVFD committee.
- Bills were paid.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Discussion of overtime policy for Daytime Driver. M.Worsman will rephrase and email second draft to the committee for review.
- K.Parsell states that he’s resigning as of June 2016, due to moving out of the district to New Hartford’s Bakerville section. The committee discusses and finds the commission can elect not to exercise their right and has 2 years to review Section 11 of the New Hartford Village Fire District by-laws if someone moves outside the district. The Committee has voted not to replace committee member Parsell based on Section 11 of the NHVFD By-laws paragraph B. (***Section 11 paragraph B states: If Commissioner relocates primary residence outside of District One, the New Hartford Village Fire District may exercise the option to appoint a qualified District member to replace the Commissioner based on a nomination by a remaining Commissioner to be approved by a majority vote.***)
Motion made by B.Rieger, seconded by J. Halnon that the Commission recinds its right to review Commissioner Parsell. “Failure to meet above stated requirements may result in automatic replacement of Commissioner.”

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. **K. Parsell motioned; D.Cassella seconded.**

Respectively submitted,

Karen Carvalho
Secretary/Treasurer

**Next Meeting Date:
THURSDAY, May 14, 2015
7:00 p.m. at Station 1**

APPROVED