

**New Hartford Village Fire District  
Monthly Meeting  
September 8, 2016**

B.Rieger called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

B. Rieger, K.Parsell, B.Goodskey, Chief Worsman, E.Parsell and K.Carvalho.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

K.Parsell made a motion to accept the August 2016 meeting minutes. Seconded by B.Goodskey.  
Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

B. Goodskey made a motion to accept Treasurer's Report. Seconded by K.Parsell. All in favor.  
Motion passed.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:**

- Tax Collectors report: \$9,319.47 collected in August; (0) Adjustments; (0) Bounced checks; (0) Refunds (0) Lien Released; (0) Liens Put On; (97%) for 2014 Grand List; (91%) for 2015 Grand List.  
B.Goodskey made a motion to accept Tax Collector's Report for August 2016. Seconded by K.Parsell. All in favor. Motion passed.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

- Acting Chairman B.Rieger gives an update on the ISO/fire hydrant liability issue. ISO Information from the town's "risk control specialist" Jeff Grundt from CIRMA: Experience ratios (actual fire losses by zip codes) are used to determine ratings and ISO reports don't carry much weight. The fire department has inadequate GPM #'s and unable to determine which hydrants will have adequate flow/pressure. Information from Dan Jerram: Flow testing the hydrants; there is no liability on the fire department since the town owns the hydrants. The New Hartford WPCA can't fund the test. Steve Surroto of the Torrington Water Co. doesn't do the GPM's and the fire department would be charged more for the testing when they flush the hydrants. B.Goodskey adds, Encore Fire Protection out of Hartford could test the hydrants and Bob will find out specific costs.
- Christine from town hall will post an ad on the town's website for the fire district's vacancies for volunteer commissioners and will read as follows: ***The New Hartford Village Fire District is seeking volunteers to serve as members of the commission. Volunteers must be a tax paying resident of the New Hartford Village Fire District.***

**CHIEF'S REPORT:**

- **Calls:** Calls Y-t-D 182, 22 calls from 8/1/16 – 8/31/16.
- **Significant/Mutual Aid Calls:** 8/10/16 -119 Torrington Ave., Canton, for a building fire  
8/11/16- 111 Riverton Road, Winsted, for a building fire
- **Fuel Usage-**We used approximately 160 gallons this month.
- **Training-**we are continuing to follow our training calendar
- **Membership-**there is nothing new to report at this time
- **Vehicle Maintenance-**please see daytime driver report
- **Daytime Driver-** please see attached report
- **Nepaug/Pine Meadow-**nothing new to report

- **Station 1**-We have Waterways coming on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> to complete the annual hose and ladder testing. The hydrostatic testing of the air bottles is almost complete; there are 10 more bottles to be done.
- **Station 2**-see the daytime driver report
- **Miscellaneous**-House # signs-started a program with Nepaug Fire; over 150 signs have been purchased so far.
  - Future of membership within the fire department will be declining due to many retiring and moving. May want to consider a possible rental program, as brought up last year.
  - The engineer drawings of the new engine are due to come out next week and construction to start in February.

**Motion by K.Parsell to accept Chief's report. Seconded by B.Goodskey. All in favor. Motion Passed.**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Ambulance Committee: K.Parsell will send an email notifying the ambulance company that the Fire District is not interested in selling the ambulance building.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Siren-Deputy Chief is working on its removal.
- Deputy Chief Positions: **K.Parsell made a motion to accept R.Marcus's and J.Wabrek's letters of intent for the positions of Deputy Chief Health and Safety Officer and Deputy Chief. Seconded by B.Rieger. All in favor. Motion Passed.**
- By-laws update – Section 11 D. In the event a vacancy on the commission occurs during an unfinished term, the remaining commissioners may appoint a replacement to finish the term. **All in favor of this addition to the By-laws.**
- B.Goodskey is finalizing the Daytime Driver Job Description and will present it at the next district meeting in October.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- There is a dead tree on the side of Station 1 that needs to be taken down. B.Goodskey will get a price from the previous tree company.
- **Motion by K.Parsell to spend \$150 on a thank you gift for G.Brookes service as a volunteer commissioner. Second by B.Goodskey. All in favor. Motion Passed.**

### **BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- K.Carvalho asks the commission to take an Excel class for \$99.00 through Education Connection to enhance her computer skills. **All in favor.**
- K.Carvalho received a notice from Card Services, for the district credit card, that the disputed charge of \$27.91 from GT Distributors was removed.
- Bills were paid.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. **K.Parsell motioned; B.Goodskey seconded.**

Respectively submitted,

Karen Carvalho

Secretary/Treasurer

**Next Meeting Date:  
Thursday, October 13, 2016  
7:00 p.m. at Station 1**

September 9, 2016

## Daytime driver report for September District meeting

- 8/16/2016 First Due emergency repair to E5, plus other repairs. See Attached report for apparatus.
- \* 8/17/2016 Dropped off 2 chainsaws at Bremar for repair.
- \* 8/17/2016 Dropped off 2 fire extinguishers for repair at FEH.
- 8/23/2016 Shipmans out for annual service of Cascade system and quarterly air check.
- \* 8/23/2016 Fixed E7 air horns installed repair kits.
- \* 8/23/2016 Diag Air loss of E7, air solenoid, requires replacement.
- \* 8/24/2016 Ordered E7 Air solenoid, Levines.
- \* 8/25/2016 Picked up repaired Chainsaw and purchased replacement. Assembled and put into service on E7.
- 8/25/2016 Carlson heating annual service for furnace at St1.
- \* 8/25/2016 Picked up E7 Air Solenoid and installed, tested ok.
- \* 8/26/2016 Replaced GFI plug on Wacker light tower and tested, ok.
- 8/29/2016 Carlson Heating annual service for furnace at St2
- \* 8/30/2016 Ordered 2 New extinguisher for E7.
- 8/30/2016 Tower Generator out for annual service for St1 & St2
- 8/31/2016 MES SCBA bottle swap for hydro testing.
- \* 8/31/2016 Fixed ground lights from R6, E5.
- \* 9/2/2016 Picked up new E7 extinguisher from FEH. Dropped at St2 and put in service.
- \* 9/6/2016 Made new bracket to mount E7 engineer's compartment fire extinguisher.
- **Water usage 8/11/2016-9/8/2016-146 gallons**
- **Note: Hose and ladder testing to be done 9/9/2016.**
  
- \* Denotes tasks or work performed by Daytime Driver

Respectfully submitted by,  
DD FF Sterpka

## Additional items for Apparatus PMs

T10 pump test ports **Installed 8/16/16**  
T10 primer lever sticking  
E7 power steering hose leaking- **Ordering 2 Pw Steering Hoses**  
E7 drivers side cab lift ram-**Maybe pw steering leaking onto**  
E5 pump cooler valve- **Installed 8/16/16**  
E7 pump cooler valve- **Had to reorder**

**PM scheduled for September**

**Pump testing for September with Riverton**

E5 left front hub leaking grease requires repair-**Both hub assemblies changed 8/16/16**

E5 air brake, air dryer unit recommend replacement

7/28/2016 came out to take oil samples for all apparatus-All oil samples came back good

T10 has water leaking from tank to pump plumbing, First Due made list of necessary parts require for repair. Parts for T10 plumbing, tank to pump installed, 8/16/16

E5 During drill on 8/15/16 blew off pump line from cooler causing water leak, 8/16/16 repaired and replaced other 2 fittings with compression fittings.

First Due vacuum test all apparatus for pre pump testing. T10, ok, E7, ok,

E5 system would not hold vacuum, requires new tank to pump valve, and coupling for rear discharge leaking, requires new piece of pipe.

7/29/2016 Found E7 Engine cooler valve, same as pump cooler valve started leaking, called first due advise 8/1/2016.

B2 Oil pan replacement Sept. /Oct. after dry season.

APPROVED