



Valley Fire & Rescue
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Valley Fire & Rescue General Business Meeting December 2, 2024

Call to order/ Roll Call:

John Hesson called the meeting to order with prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Members In Attendance:

- Cody Coleman
- Heather Lang
- Becky Ferrell
- Roger Bennet
- Nathan McQueen
- Danny Luckeydoo
- Alisha Hammond
- Shane Lang
- Davian Dowden
- Brandon Armstrong
- Jonathon Tilton
- John Hesson
- Zach Adkins(**Member Taking Minutes**)

Public In Attendance:

- Bobby Davis

Financial Report:

Misc. Account:

\$ NA

State Account:

\$NA

*An updated balance sheet was not provided for the meeting

Old Business:

Review of New Business from last month's Business Meeting

John Hesson:

- LED sign discussion
- Discussed chili cook-off

Nathan McQueen: Motion to accept old business

Brandon Armstrong: 2nd

Passed

New Business:

Nathan McQueen:

- Work on getting gear on and getting on the truck effectively
- If you need assistance let us know, we're always around
- Ensure you don't lay items on the trucks to get lost

Shane Lang: Will be Working Tuesday and Thursday on shipping container

John Tilton:

- Breakfast with Santa on Saturday at 9
- Need assistance with making it happen
- Need everyone possible here to show support for the event

Brandon Armstrong:

Keep track of your own times when running out of county calls 911 isn't tracking it well

- Ordered 2 Oculus VR headsets for training and PR

Zach Adkins:

-SAFER Grant

- 6 have met training requirements.
- TIM is online and a major hold-up for members currently
- If you don't meet the requirements, we can't give you stipends
- 30 stipends worth \$600 have been earned by 4 members so far.

-Ensure you are checking your email weekly at a minimum, get with Luke Tilka if you need assistance with email or ESO

-We need to establish a 90 second turnout time from Station arrival to truck enroute.

- You have 24/7 access if you need to work on getting your gear on.
- Don't leave your gear laying on the bumper of a truck
- We should be on scene with a crew of 6 within 14 minutes of alarm as long as the call is within 8 miles of the station
- We should be on scene with a crew of 4 within drive time if farther

-February 15th awards banquet

-Active members need to update their information with us in ESO by January 31.

-Inactive members, honorary members, and auxiliary members need to update their information with us by January 31

-Tax incentives

- 8 of 25 eligible this year
- It's too late to get eligible if you're not, but it's not too late to fall out
- Lets double that number for next year

-Maintenance

- Fix issues as you find them
- if cylinders need filled, fill them and leave a note stating you filled it
- Ensure straps are loose when checking air packs

-Department Christmas Dinner December 14 @ 1800

-If anyone is or knows someone interested in joining the board, we have 2 seats needing filled Vice President and Community Member

-T-shirt order – see Shane for order form

Training –

- We need to ensure we are attending as much as possible.
- We try to schedule it from 1900 to 2100 but occasionally run over with so much to do in such a short amount of time.
- Feel free to come early and stay late, especially if you need improvement.
- You have 24/7 access if you need to work on putting on your gear.
- IFSAC Firefighter 1 begins on January 7th

-Moore's Chapel can use the building for Christmas Dinner in exchange for a donation

New Membership:

Firefighter

Bobby Davis – Former member of Racine VFD – Boone County

Ballot Vote:

Passed for 90-day probation

90 Day Probationary Vote:

Davian Dowden: PASSED

Bindi Kirk: Removed by membership vote

Andrew Parker: Removed by membership vote

Brandon Armstrong: Made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Shane Lang: 2nd

PASS

Meeting Adjourned