



TOWN OF CARROLL

FREWSBURG FIRE DISTRICT

Justin Martin - Chief Nicholas Niles - Chairman

5 Main Street, PO Box #3 Frewsburg, NY 14738

FREWSBURG FIRE DISTRICT

SEPTEMBER 2023

MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Nick Niles opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Board members present:

Chairman Nick Niles

Commissioner Don Mowry

Commissioner Don Sparling

Commissioner Bob Price

Fire department members present: Dan Sission, Cory Lauffenburger, Charlie & Lisa Piazza, Dave & Kelly W.

Motion to accept the secretaries report was made by Commissioner Bob Price and seconded by Commissioner Don Sparling

Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Commissioner Don Sparling and seconded by Commissioner Don Mowry

Motion to pay vouchers 23-88 thru 23-98 was made by Commissioner Bob Price and seconded by Commissioner Don Mowry

There was no public comment.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

37 calls for August

EMS calls 24 BLS 17 ALS 7

The chain for the chainsaw was purchased from Dingesfire Company.

Charlie asked to buy a toolbox for the Kubota to store the helmets in. It was mentioned that there might be one in the tool room. If there is not one, he is allowed to purchase one not to exceed \$500. He also asked to buy a chainsaw box to store the chainsaw in. He is allowed to spend \$100. Motion was made by Chairman Nick Niles to buy both of these items and seconded by Commissioner Don Sparling.

The M-Truck went to Mid Town

The pump test for E341 & E342 was done. Everything was fine with that. Gauges need to be looked at on both engines. Charlie will reach out to Randy Sisson.

Motion to accept chief's report was made by Commissioner Don Mowry and seconded by Don Sparling

The district website has been fixed.

Fire department members for the truck committee are Dan Sisson, Nick Getz, Liz Johnson, Randy Sisson. The board members on the committee are Chairman Nick Niles, Commissioner Don Mowry, Commissioner Bob Price

OLD BUSINESS:

The fire district has allowed fire company members that are exterior, EMS, and fire police to go to their own primary care doctor for their physical. The interior fire fighters will have to go to the district doctor.

We will be using occupational health and the Wellnow Urgent Care. If you are going to occupational health let Charlie know.

The board approved a form that you will need to take to your primary care physician. Forms will be available in the radio room.

Motion to approve the form was made by Commissioner Don Sparling and seconded by Commissioner Bob Price.

Chairman Nick Niles asked Dan Sisson, president of the fire company if his board approved the lease. Dan said that they were meeting this week and will make a decision then.

Chairman Nick Niles asked president Dan Sisson if the rent amount was ok for \$12,500 for the year 2023 and the amount of \$13,500 for the year 2024. Dan said yes that was acceptable. It will be a 2 year contract. A motion was made by Chairman Nick Niles to pay the fire company the \$12,500 for the year 2023. Motion was seconded by commissioner Don Mowry.

Chairman Nick Niles made an amendment to the bills. The rent voucher will be 23-99 for the rent payment to the fire company. The vouchers will now be 23-88 thru 23-99 for a total of \$16,823.48. Once the check clears the bank secretary Lorri Munson will give a copy of the cleared check to Lisa Piazza so she can do what she needs to do with the Medicaid application.

The board of commissioners went over the preliminary budget. We had 4 work sessions and went over each line. The fire district stayed under the 2% tax levy this year. A motion was made by Nick Niles to adopt the proposed budget for 2024. Don Sparling seconded the motion and all were in favor. Secretary Lorri Munson will give a copy to Susan Rowley, town clerk. The deadline is September 26th.

October 12th we will put in the paper the information on the budget hearing.

October 17th we will hold the budget hearing at 7:00 pm at the town hall

November 1st adopt the fire district annual budget at 7:00 pm at the town hall

November 4th the final budget is due

EMS-

Lisa Piazza gave a report on the EMS billing. Our system needs to be upgraded to Zoll. That is why the billing company (Professional Ambulance Billing) cannot receive any of the charts we send. We received from Zoll a bill for \$9,122.40 to upgrade our system. Our monthly payment to Zoll would be \$152.04 a month for 60 months. Chairman Nick Niles stated that at know time was the district made aware that they would have to do this upgrade. He will be following up on this.

Chairman Nick Niles tabled the discussion on the Zoll bill until he can get clarification from the district attorney.

All ALS contracts need to be signed

Chairman Nick Niles stated that EMT's can no longer take there charts out of the fire station.

Secretary Lorri Munson asked if she could go to a secretary training on October 21st at Ridge Road Fire District Headquarters in Rochester, NY. The board approved the cost of \$30 for the class and \$200.00 for room and board. A motion was made by commissioner Don Mowry and seconded by commissioner Bob Price.

The board had no comments

The next board meeting is October 9th at 7:00 pm at the town hall

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Don Sparling and seconded by Bob Price