

HAMPTON-VALLEY FORGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



**BUSINESS MEETING FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHIEF CHRIS ISAACS AT 7:00PM**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

**CHIEF CHRIS ISAACS
ASSISTANT CHIEF SCOTTIE WILSON
CAPTAIN JIMMY VINES
TREASURER DONNIE ISAACS
SECRETARY TINA WILSON
AUSTIN CLAWSON
TREY RACHALL
TOWNSEND (E)
ISAAC TOLLEY
(E)
CODY BANKS
ELIJAH SMITH
CURT BOWEN
BEMILLER (E)
MICHAEL CAVALIERI**

ABSENT:

**BRYAN CRUM (E)
AMOS HALAVA (E)
MARTY CABLE (E)
JOSH PIERCE (E)
NICK MONTGOMERY (E)
CALEB ODOM (E)
NATHANIEL
DARECK WOODS
ZACH FORD (E)
LEE BEMILLER (E)
DOMINIQUE
JARED O'HARA (E)**

Motion to accept minutes of last meeting for Thursday, October 14, 2021

- Motion to accept the minutes of last meeting for Thursday, October 14, 2021, made by Trey Rachall. Elijah Smith second that motion.
Vote: Motion Carried

Captain's Report given by Captain Jimmy Vines for October 1, 2021-October 31, 2021

- Accident with injury: 1
- Accident without injury: 1
- Alarms Total: 3
- Cardiac or Respiratory Arrest/Death: 4
- Electrical Hazard: 1
- Outside Fire: 1
- Structure Fire: 5
- Traffic Collision/Transportation incident: 1
- Traffic Hazard: 1
- Vegetation/Wildland/Brush/Grass Fire: 2
- Total Calls: 20

Treasurer Report given by Treasurer Donnie Isaacs Net worth as of November 11, 2021

- Checking: \$16,444.28
- Savings: \$21,893.55
- PayPal: \$217.89
- County Funds: \$72,064.41

Total of \$110,620.13

- Spent \$4,408 for insurance out of county funds
- Out of the \$25,000 county gave us extra for building station 3. We have spent \$9,527.
- Spent \$21,466 out of loan for Station 3 construction. We are using \$25,000 county gave us first.

Old Business

- Station 3 Update: Station 3 exterior painting is completed. Mike Nutter and his father will be putting rock on front of the building similar to station 1 building. The plan is to run the soffits tomorrow if it is not muddy. Jimmy Vines is going to contact the gentlemen who is going to do the guttering to get him scheduled for the guttering work. If we get a weekend where more firemen are off from work, we will paint the inside of the building before Bryan Crum does the electrical work. Jerry Ramsey who will be doing the concrete is out of town hunting. He will be back Thanksgiving. Once we get the flooring in, the garage doors will be installed and then start the electrical process. Everything is currently on hold until the flooring is put in. Plumbing is roughed in, and Chris Isaacs has talked to Lester Rainbolt about scheduling for the septic to be placed. Scottie Wilson and Chris Isaacs are going to work on getting the rest of the grade work completed. Dirt needs to be brought down 6-8 more inches then they will have shell brought in which is close to \$110 a load. After shell has been placed, we will pick a day to

place the flagpole. As soon as we get the electrical finished, Amos Halava is going to contact the guys who did station 1 sheet rock to schedule them to do station 3 sheet rock. As soon as everything is completed, we will work on getting restroom completed. We are hoping by Christmas the building will be completed.

- Trunk or treating went well during Halloween. Curt Bowen did an amazing job on photography. Tracy from church had more church members to come set up but due to illness they could not come. She is hoping next year to get the whole church involved.

New Business

- If anyone still owes on shirt orders, get with Tina Wilson or Donnie Isaacs to get those paid for.
- Christmas Party is December 4, 2021, at 6:00pm. We will have finger foods, exchange his/her gifts \$10 limit on gifts (girls bring girl gift and boys bring boy gifts). Get with Tina Wilson to sign up for food to bring. Party is Grinch themed if you want to dress in Grinch attire.
- December 11, 2021 is Christmas Parade. Meet at station 1. If you are unable to meet at Station 1. Park at Save A lot and walk over and find us in the Parade. We will be going to eat after the Parade at Amigo's for anyone who wants to go. We have extra Christmas lights and may add some to the trucks.
- Brush Fire season is still here. Roan Mountain Fire Department had first Brush Fire of the season.
- We are behind on our annual service for trucks. Our mechanic is going to get them on the schedule. He is getting busy with running two shops with the company's expansion.
- Mailouts have went out. Richard Tester contacted Chris Isaacs and stated he was going to ask his church at Union Baptist Church to donate \$500 to the department and once that is agreed on, he wants to meet us at Station 1 with a check and Elizabethton star to do an article and challenge all churches and business in our district to do the same. He also said he is going to talk to church about doing a spaghetti dinner fundraiser at there church for the department. We will not have to do anything. Once fundraiser is done, they will bring the money to us.
- Getting a lot of feedback from ISO dropping insurance rates. A lot of people thanking us.
- Recent Calls discussion. Scottie Wilson was on standby for Roan Mountain on brush fire. Had a propane leak where we used 8,000 gallons of water. Scottie Wilson suggested teaching a class on reading ERG and teaching more on hazmat. Structure fire in West Carter district went well. West Carter thanked our department for our help. EMS is pleased with our helping them on medical calls. Had a call with a woman in wheelchair in wooded area. She had a verbal argument with son and ended up in the woods.
- Got check from Beck Mountain of \$100 donation. Donnie Isaacs sent them a thank you card.
- We need a CO2 detector for station 2. If they go on scene first, they have to wait for station 1 trucks to get there with the detector. CO2 Detector cost \$800.00. Motion to purchase a \$800.00 CO2 detector for station 2 truck was made by Trey Rachall. Austin Clawson second that motion.

Vote: Motion Carried

- **When we purchase the Jonesborough truck, we will have to buy the equipment to place on truck. When we are testing for ISO, we will place air packs from other trucks on it. Chris Isaacs is going to watch gov deals to find air packs for truck. We must have 4 air packs on trucks for ISO testing.**
- **Keegan resigned today due to moving back to North Carolina.**
- **If you are off during the week, help with calls. Everyone works now and don't have anyone to run calls. Eventually call volume will pick back up.**
- **Need paperwork to file taxes. The state still has our receipts and paperwork so Robin who does our taxes has filed for an extension. We have 6 months to turn our taxes in.**
- **306 Generator having issues.**
- **We will put in for mountain electric grant in January 2022. It was discussed wither to purchase a generator or boots with the grant. Most stated that a generator should me purchased with the grant.**
- **Toy Drive is still active. We have 20 kids on the sign up so far. We will cut off the limit to 50 kids. Bryan Crum asked for a copy of the list so that the motorcycle club could get started on purchasing items for the toy drive.**
- **We are good on heat for the bays for this year.**
- **Monitor for Station 3. Brown's Hardware store has stated shipping is expensive. Scottie Wilson stated he could pick it up Wednesday or Thursday if needed be. Check with Roan Mountain Hardware store to see if they have a monitor in stock.**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm by Chief Chris Isaacs