

Regular Meeting: July 6th, 2015

Chief Blanchard presiding

- ❖ City portion opened at 1934.
- *Motion: Suspend the rules to allow Chris Colter, newly elected President of the Norwich Sunrise Rotary, to address the membership. Motion made by T. Quinley, 2nd by T. Lathrop; pass by unanimous vote.*
- ❖ Chris Colter addressed the membership to express his new position and to maintain communications between the 2 organizations.

Minutes of the June meeting posted for review by the membership:

- *Motion: Move to accept the minutes as posted. Made by T. Quinley, 2nd by T. Lathrop; pass by majority vote.*

Old Business:

- ❖ The July public safety meeting will be at OEM in City Hall
- ❖ FHnet update: The program is being reviewed at every city-wide Chiefs meeting. As of right now Yantic is the only volunteer department to be compliant with report completion and has sent information to the State. The City has issued an ultimatum: Fix all issues so we can move forward with using the service or give us our money back and we will move to a different NFIRS reporting system.
- ❖ Department physicals are completed
- ❖ Dispatch and Radios: There was an outage in June and that identified some major concerns with the system at large. The current dispatch console needs to be updated, and that is currently before the Public Safety Committee for debate. It was also noted the EOC does not have the ability to tone the volunteer departments, so in the event of another dispatch center outage EGP can; however their system does not have the wattage the City's dispatch center does and coverage is limited. A more permanent and better back-up system is being investigated.
- ❖ All SCBA's are being replaced city-wide. There will be a sample for inspection at Yantic on 7/8 at 1830. The plan is to bring all departments onto the same technology and replacement cycle. Yantic has also requested new escape packs and replacement cylinders.
- ❖ There is a new system in place to log the usage of each cylinder, where each has a unique number affixed to it near the valve stem. Every time a particular cylinder is filled it needs to be logged into the SCBA log. Also, please complete the log when filling the cylinders for other departments, using whatever ID number they have in place. This is to be more in line with NFPA guidelines and to maintain service records in the event of a malfunction.

City Bills:

❖ Lenihan Lumber	- \$720.52 (shed door)
❖ J. Flaherty	- \$200.00
❖ A. Herz	- \$75.00
❖ Concentra	- \$260.00 (2x physicals)
❖ Comcast	- \$64.59
❖ Sterling Superior	- \$720.00 (6mos service)
❖ Tactical Communications	- \$105.00 (repeater on R3)
❖ Dziengiel's Plumbing	- \$474.67 (downstairs sink repair)
❖ Guardian Pest Control	- \$77.00
❖ Advanced Auto	- \$70.00 (speedy dry)
❖ R. H. O'Connell	- \$975.00 (install of the shed door)

- *Motion: Move to pay the bills as read. Made by T. Quinley, 2nd by W. Hayes; pass by majority vote.*

Committees:

- ❖ Pension: No Report
- ❖ Tax Abatement: Look for the credit on your bills
- ❖ Public Appearances:

- ⊙ Huntington School for "fun night" on June 5th.
- ⊙ Touch a Truck will be on 7/19 from 1200 – 1400 at Dodd Stadium

- ❖ NUSR: Watch the board for training
- ❖ Fire Prevention: No report
- ❖ Tax Abatement: No report

New Business:

- ❖ Taftville has requested the '67 on 8/1 for the 150th anniversary celebration of the Village of Taftville.
 - *Motion: Provide the '67 on 8/1. Motion made by R. O'Connell, 2nd by T. Quinley; pass by majority vote.*
- ❖ Jewett City FD has requested a stand-by assignment on 8/15 for an anniversary celebration of the Jewett City; fireworks are planned for the event. Chief Blanchard has made the decision to provide assistance for coverage.
- ❖ Deputy Chief Herz would like to hold a cookout on 7/25 as a thank you to the fire companies we use as our 1st due tower/ladder assignment, and is asking for \$150.00 in funds.

➤ *Motion: Hold the cookout on 7.25. Motion made by B. Cubanski, 2nd by T. Quinley; pass by majority vote.*

- ❖ Franklin FD has added Yantic to a first alarm assignment for fire responses for all addresses on Rte 32 to the intersection of Brush Hill, and also all addresses on Rte 87.
- ❖ Lebanon FD has added Yantic to a first alarm FAST assignment for all addresses in the South and West sides of their response area.
- ❖ Norwich IT will be in Yantic on 7/7 to upgrade the phones for VOIP service.
- ❖ Chief Scandariato will be coming to Yantic on 7/21 at 1000 to discuss our confined space and rope rescue capabilities.
- ❖ An informational meeting will be held in Yantic on 7/7 at 1900 for the city to discuss reconstruction to the Sunnyside Ln Bridge.
- ❖ The Norwich Chamber of Commerce asked Yantic to provide a smoke house for a car show at Dodd Stadium; we informed them we don't have one.

Correspondence:

- ❖ Concentra sent a notice they are increasing their rates for services.
- ❖ The Town of Griswold is now being covered by American Ambulance for all ambulance responses.
- ❖ KB Ambulance (Killingly) is now a paramedic level service
- ❖ Certificates Received:
 - ⊙ C. Colonair – Optimizing Rescue Skills
 - ⊙ C. Colonair – Trench Rescue Operations
 - ⊙ R. Henry – Confined Space Rescue I/II

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