

**Neffsville Fire Company Minutes  
April 2, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by President, Don Mellott at 19:04 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was done.

The Roll Call of Officers was taken.

The Secretary's minutes were presented and approved.

Financial Secretary's report was given. Treasurer concurred.

**Reports:**

**Chief's Report:** Mike Elliott reported 59 emergency calls for March. He thanked everyone who took the time to meet with Larry Marshall, Myron Vaughn and Cindy Miley for the Advisory Board. If you haven't met with them please do so in the next 2 weeks. They will be presenting to the line officers soon. A report will be given at the May meeting with any changes resulting from the advisory board. Lititz Pike will be closed between Airport Rd and Millport Rd from April 4<sup>th</sup> to April 6<sup>th</sup>. Please remember this when responding to calls in Lititz. Mike thanked everyone who took the NIMS tests (700 & 100). All but 3 people have taken the tests.

**Captain's Report:** William Herskowitz stated that the gas meter is back on Tanker. The chainsaw on squad is not working.

**Chief Engineer's Report:** Scott Weiser reported on maintenance done in the past month. Squad 2-7: Back up alarm has been repaired. Traffic 2-7: GPS still not working – possible power wire problem. Ben will fix. E-2-7-1: Drivers side mirror loose will be fixed this week. E-2-7-2: Air system still has small leak at the pump. The brass fitting and supply hose have been replaced & now have a check valve and condensate bottle on order. T-2-7: Deck gun deployment operations has been repaired. Next the stuck valve will be corrected the week of April 7<sup>th</sup>. Command: state inspection completed. Ford recall item has been completed. Ben is working on white lights. New Drivers: Bill Copeland E-2-7-2 & E-2-7-1 and Mike McLean Squad 2-7 once probation is complete.

**Captain of Fire Police:** Alan Hartman reported that they assisted the fire company on 46 calls.

**Trustee's Report:** Ed Berilla reported on station maintenance & repair for the past month. The trustees decided not to take the trees down. Limbs may be trimmed in the next few weeks.

**County/State Report:** No Report.

**Fire Council:** Mike Elliott reported that the Strategic Planning committee has been officially started. An informal discussion was held regarding fundraising regarding a resident who does capital campaigns. The SOG committee was officially seated and will be shooting for a June Township wide meeting to go over the revised SOGs. They will be voted on by the council prior to nominations this year. Mike reminded everyone that if you are hurt or injured on a call or at the firehouse you must let Mike know immediately. Any time a piece of apparatus is taken out of the county Rick Kane must be notified.

**Auxiliary:** Arlene Overly thanked everyone who helped with the soup sale. The potpie dinner will be on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Desserts are needed.

**Juniors:** Rich Denlinger reported that the juniors went to East Pete to review their apparatus. They also toured County radio. There will be a meeting to go over the next 3 months and the October junior day. Also no juniors should be going on fire police calls.

## **Committee Reports**

**Banquet Committee:** Scott Weiser reported that the banquet went well. Several presentations were made to members who were not at the banquet.

**By-Laws committee:** Beth Templeton reported that the committee met on March 25<sup>th</sup> and the next meeting is April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Dedication Committee:** Troy Slaymaker stated that they had their first meeting and the dedication will be Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm.

**Engine Committee:** Mike Elliott reported that he has been in contact with Sutphin. The body and tank of the engine are in production. The chassis will be going online in a week. The engine should be delivered in June. Mike passed around pictures.

**Fire Prevention:** Kim Herskowitz reported that planning has started for Cadet Camp. Kim has background clearance forms that must be completed to help. Please complete them ASAP and return them to her.

**Fund Drive:** Larry Marshall reported that we have received \$180,532.62 with 2,179 returns.

**Parade:** No Report.

**Township Steering Committee:** Mike Elliott stated that the first member at large has been appointed and is Frank Dogger. Another person, Mike Fecik, will be appointed next week. Two Subcommittees have been formed: Finance which will have Don Mellott & Larry Marshall from Neffsville & Public Relations which will be Kim Herskowitz and another person. The steering committee is looking into reducing our ISO rating.

**Training:** Troy Slaymaker reported on the past months training and the upcoming training schedule. May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> will be the Brethren Village West apartment training. The prior Monday will be an in house Township training here regarding the Brethren Village training. The annual Landis Homes training is May 19<sup>th</sup> @6:30. The First Responders class will start Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and run to October 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will be every Monday & Thursday. The practical will be Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Uniform Committee:** Troy Slaymaker reported that he is working on getting the MTFR patch onto the dress coats. He will be emailing when that will be done.

**Ways & Means Committee:** Jenn Templeton reported that the Easter Bunny Breakfast went well and we made \$1,200.

**Web Site:** Christian Brooks reported that the site is seeing a lot of traffic. Many people outside our station are visiting. The Photo Gallery and the member pages are the two most popular parts.

Correspondence was read.

The bills were presented for payment. A motion was made to pay all bills with the exception of the Chapman Ford bill for \$67.31. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

### **Old Business:**

None.

### **New Business:**

Jenn Templeton made a motion to deposit \$16,500 into the CAP fund. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Mike Elliott made a motion to accept Krista Denlinger & Joan Bohan into administrative membership. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Troy Slaymaker made a motion to replace the back stairwell not to exceed \$15,800. Questions were entertained. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

**For the Good of the Cause:**

Jean Elliott stated that her father, Sam Hess, is having surgery on Tuesday. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

The motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting at 19:35 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Templeton  
Assistant Secretary