

Hudson Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.
Regular Business Meeting
February 5th, 2018

Members present: Joe Burton, Michael Clemens, Rachel Elliott, Marcial Foisie, Jeremy Juarez, Travis Kirtley, Cameron Long, Mark Loose, Victor Mills, Jerod Oates, Frankie Ornduff, Jacob Pouland, Dustin Pridgen, Caleb Ramsey, Shawn Ramsey, Brian Smith, Jacob Smith, Mike Stephens, Robert Smith, Mike Stephens, Jerry, Swearingen, Willie Thomas

Explorers present: Troy Gomez, Reagan Dwire, David Timmons

Applicants present: Verne Goodenough

- Meeting Called to order by Vice President Frankie Ornduff @ 7:04 PM
- Pledge to the American and Texas Flags
- Moment of silence for the fallen brothers and sisters
- Motion by Chief Foisie, to accept the January minutes as written, 2nd by VP Ornduff (MPU)
- Motion by VP Ornduff to accept treasures report, 2nd by Cameron Long (MPU)

Apparatus:

1. Chief Foisie – Still in discussion with Ferrara's, He thinks we need to approach the City about getting more money. We can get into a new truck for around \$55k/year.
2. Chief Foisie – We need to flush the foam out of all the trucks.
3. Chief Foisie- We still need to finish mounting the flashlights.
4. Chief Foisie- all trucks are back in service after the funeral.

Equipment:

1. Chief Foisie – The fire hose will be ordered tonight. (11/2 for \$500/month)
2. Chief Foisie – We need to start doing a better job checking all the trucks.
3. Chief Foisie – All the chainsaws are back in working order and all of them are set up the same, with the exception of two, which are set up for ventilation, these two are marked ventilation and there is one on each first out truck.
4. Travis Kirtley – He noticed that there were some used pagers for sale of Facebook in the fire classifieds, for around \$50/each. He is going to do some further research on this and get back with chief.

Station / Grounds:

1. Jacob Smith – Detail equipment needs to be divided among stations.

Financials:

1. Brian Smith – The land behind the Haunted House now belongs to the fire department, payment will be around \$350/month.

Applicants:

1. One new applicant this month. Verne Goodenough has moved back and reapplied for membership. There should only be a one month waiting period on this, pending he meets all criteria.

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SAR:

1. Mike Stephens – The monthly meetings have been moved to the first Tuesday of every month. Additional training on the Saturday after the 3rd Tuesday.
2. Mike Stephens - No call outs to report for the month of January.
3. Mike Stephens – There will be a new member orientation this coming Saturday at City Hall.

Operations:

1. Joe Burton – KTA is May 9 - 11, in Louisville, Texas. The cost is \$80/person, \$364 per 2 for motel, \$300 for food. We are wanting to send 6 for honor guard training. They can ride with Lufkin if they want. A motion by Joe to pay to send 6 and a 2nd by Travis. (MCU)
2. Joe Burton – He would like to start making the 3rd weekend in January for annual training. He would like to start giving out challenge coins to those who attend. The cost is around \$300 for 100 coins. We need to look at buying these in August to have them by January for the 2019 training. Motion by Mark Loose to purchase these coins, 2nd by Brian Smith. (MCU)

Other:

1. Asst. Chief Ramsey- We need to look at upgrading our class A uniforms to “Actual Class a Uniforms”.
2. Jacob Smith – would like to purchase 4 Kenwood batteries for \$33.95 each and 2 Motorola batteries for \$83.00 each. Motion by Asst. Chief Ramsey 2nd by Jacobs Smith. (MCU)
3. Chief Foisie – We need to do a better job of using flashlights and wearing our vest, especially on accident scenes.
4. Chief Foisie – Thanks to all who stepped up and helped with all the funeral arrangements for Gowland Bass.
5. Chief Foisie – Communications training next Monday night.
6. Chief Foisie – Livingston Fire School is February 23rd and 24th. Let chief know if you would like to go.
7. Joe Burton – Would like to donate the ramps from the funeral to the LODD Task force for training. A motion by Joe was made to donate them and a second by Jacob Smith, (MCU)
8. Mike Stephens – We should show Goldie present at the meetings for the rest of the year and then give the check to the Family at the end of the year.
9. Brian Smith – Haunted House Valentine event is coming up, if you would like to help get with him or Clay.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by VP Ornduff, 2nd by Jacob Pouland, meeting adjourned @ 806 PM.

Immediately after adjournment, the donation hat was passed around the room for donations to the flower fund.

Brian Smith – HVFD Secretary

President Robert Smith