

UNION CENTER FIRE COMPANY
COMPANY MEETING

March 7, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE: W. Miga, K. Miga, B. Dieffenbacher, A. Green, R. Serowik, J. VanKuren, J. Drotar, F. Trzcinski, B. Gazdik, J. Mann, B. Bealo, J. Hardik, M. Belensky, C. Hoyt

TREASURER'S REPORT

Activity checking: \$13,230.50
General checking: \$11,787.48

Activity: \$8,031.83
2% Money: \$5,198.67
Savings: 163,623.42

Total checking: \$25,017.98

Motion to accept: VanKuren, seconded by B.Bealo

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- UHS Trauma Teaching Day registration fee being paid for by the company for qualified EMS personnel is under consideration by the Board.
- We received a \$25 donation from Mrs. Rosemary Rinde for installation of smoke detectors.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

- Adrian agreed to be the contact person for both Station 1 and Station 2. Any issues involving the stations can be brought to Adrian, who will pass the information on to the Board. The electronic form can still be used, but you can speak to Adrian if you prefer.
- Adrian will be handling the vending machines and members can tell him if they have any preferences.
- Discussion regarding ordering and pickup of food for monthly meeting on a rotating basis.
- We will put a list of board member responsibilities for each position on the web site.
- Currently updating roster and it will go out on the web site when it is done, minus birthdates.

OFFICER REPORTS

CHIEF: None.

FIRST ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- ID cards are underway. Once the chief gets back we will set a date for when this needs to be completed.
- Smoke detector installation is going well. If anyone wants to help out, please let us know. One of the chiefs has to be there. We are at 180 detectors installed so far; the highest in the county. Let your friends and family know about the program. No cutoff date yet.
- On the East Maine call, crew integrity was very good. There was a lot of freelancing, but not by us. Stick with your crew.

SECOND ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- At the officer's meeting we talked about decreasing our monthly apparatus inspection schedule, but the East Maine fire showcased critical equipment failures for other companies. I am going to be taking a very close look at what we should be doing. (Discussion about how we usually check everything both monthly and weekly and how we will not be eliminating anything, but will be adjusting the schedule for monthly checks).
- We have been doing very well on our MVA and other miscellaneous calls.

DAY CAPTAIN: None.

NIGHT CAPTAIN: None.

FIRST LIEUTENANT: Vacant.

SECOND LIEUTENANT: Vacant.

FIRE POLICE CAPTAIN: None.

MAINTENANCE:

- Electronic reporting of maintenance issues is working great so keep it up. On Sunday the 27th Har-Rob is going to pick up a rig from Station 1. It should take one to two days unless it is something major or we have to wait for parts. I will send out e-mails when trucks leave. I have lists started for all rigs, so please keep reporting any issues to me. I think that even if we don't find anything, Har-Rob will find it because it is a very thorough examination. This will give us a good idea of how well our apparatus is holding up. It does not matter how minor, please let me know. (Ray says that at the parade on Saturday Engine 1 worked perfectly. Discussion about a leak in Engine 1).
- EMS needed big repairs, but it looks like it will be okay. If anything is not running correctly, like starting problems, please let us know. It should not go into high idle when it is put in park; please let us know if this happens. Rear door latch is still broken.
- Small apparatus will be staying local and will be serviced at Gault.

- Utility has two brand new batteries and extensive electrical tests were done on it.
- Don't hesitate to call me with any big problems.

AIR/CASCADE:

- Three Cascade bottles were hydroed this week. Thanks to Tom and Bill D. for taking care of that.
- Two small SCBA are going for hydro next week.
- I believe that everyone has been fit-tested who needed to be.
- All air packs are in service.
- New spray bottles of Culligan water, not tap water, are now located at both stations. When cleaning regulators do not use tap water anymore. Spray with disinfectant and let sit for 5 minutes to 10 minutes and then rinse with the spray bottle water. Can still use tap water for masks. If spray bottles are empty, fill them with Culligan water.

EMS:

- Jean has agreed to be the new EMS lieutenant pending proposed bylaw change vote. She has already run her first training.
- UHS training day will be on April 16th at the Binghamton Regency. I have asked the board to pay the fee for qualified EMS personnel. If you are interested, please let me know. It is a very good program and very worthwhile.
- Two mutual aid members from Maine will be running calls. All they need to do is get checked out driving the vehicles. Both are qualified on Maine's apparatus but need to be qualified on ours. They have a lot of experience.
- The third Thursday of every month will consist of scenario-based training for our new EMS people. It will be held at Station 2. Anybody is welcome.
- We are trying to get more med team members both inside and outside the company. If there is enough interest I may be able to run a CFR class this year. This is the logical place to have it. We can either run it one or two nights a week. This will also be for recertification.
- The new EMS link on the website has great information.

TRAINING:

- New spring list for state classes for Broome County has been published on their website. If you want to take any of them, sign up!
- CentreLearn classes are due at the end of March.
- A lot of incentive stuff is in and I will get it split up. I will send an e-mail when it's in and will probably leave it on your rack. Some is backordered.
- Bill D. and Tom made new pump lists and updated them. They are located on the rigs and also on the website. The lists received compliments at the East Maine fire. Thank you to Bill and Tom for a job well-done.
- We did some odd off-base training this month and everything went well.

SAFETY:

- Letters went out last month for physicals. A few more may be going out in the near future.

FIRE MARSHAL: None.

AUDIT: None.

PARADE:

- We have been invited to the Deposit parade in August and the date will follow.

SOCIAL:

- If anyone has any ideas for getting together as a company before Christmas, like a picnic in the summer, please think about it and we can bring it up next month. Maybe we can incorporate it into the Broome County Clam Bake. We used to have picnics at Station 1.

BYLAW:

- We have a bylaw proposal to be voted on that the EMS captain may appoint an EMS lieutenant with the approval of the chief.

Approved: Unanimous PASSED (Congratulations to Jean)

- We talked in the board meeting about the bylaw about taking a leave of absence. You must be a member in good standing to take a leave of absence. We have two members who took a leave and were not in good standing. The committee needs to take look at this bylaw.

B. C. FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION: None.

WEB SITE:

- Some new things are going to be put on the web site and the committee will be doing some cleaning up. The format will generally stay the same. Let us know if there is anything on the member side that you would like to have. (Discussion about how the EMS training BOG and SOG for EMS should be on the web site).
- We had a review by the person who runs the web site and he made some suggestions which we will look into.

RETENTION/ RECRUITING/ MEMBERSHIP:

- Jesse Warner has already taken FF 1 and is interested in joining. He will be coming in during training on Saturday to fill out an application.
- Social Security numbers have been removed from the application form.
- The board had a brief discussion today about going through the roster and focusing on the people who have not been coming around very much. We need to reach out to them and find out what is going on. We need to keep in closer contact with the people who are drifting away, but this is a work in progress. If you have any ideas on how this can be accomplished, please let us know.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

- Michael Wiley is in the country for 3 weeks and then is out of country for 3 weeks for his job. He is interested in everything except EMS. His references checked out and he looks like a good candidate.

Approve: Unanimous

- Daniel Hoeflein wants to do all types of firefighting. His references checked out and he is recommended for the company.

Approve: Unanimous

SUNSHINE:

- Jim Pandich's mother passed away and we will send a card.
- We are looking into getting Union Center personalized greeting cards instead of purchasing cards from a store. These will be purchased in bulk and will therefore be much cheaper.

OLD BUSINESS

- We will no longer read OLD BUSINESS due to repetition and general boredom.

NEW BUSINESS

- Station 2 roof is leaking and the board is aware of the problem. We will have to figure out if it can be repaired or needs to be replaced.
- BREAKING NEWS: It was just reported that the Station 2 front door will not open.

REFRESHMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING: J. Hardik

NUMBER ATTENDING: 14

VOTING: 13

MINUTES ACCEPTED BY: B.Bealo, seconded by Belensky

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 21:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Karen S. Miga



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Union Center Fire Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {02/01/2011} And {02/28/2011}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
111 Building fire	1	2.17%	\$0	0.00%
	1	2.17%	\$0	0.00%
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
321 EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with	5	10.86%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	3	6.52%	\$0	0.00%
	8	17.39%	\$0	0.00%
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	2	4.34%	\$0	0.00%
424 Carbon monoxide incident	2	4.34%	\$0	0.00%
444 Power line down	3	6.52%	\$0	0.00%
	7	15.21%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
5501 Install Smoke Dectictor NYS Safer Program	18	39.13%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	3	6.52%	\$0	0.00%
	21	45.65%	\$0	0.00%
6 Good Intent Call				
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	7	15.21%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	2.17%	\$0	0.00%
	8	17.39%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
733 Smoke detector activation due to	1	2.17%	\$0	0.00%
	1	2.17%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 46

Total Est Loss: \$0



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Union Center Fire Responses by Department (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {02/01/2011} And {02/28/2011}

Type of Aid	Count
0001 New York State Police	
Mutual aid received	2
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0002 Broome County Sheriff	
Mutual aid received	2
	<hr/> 2
0009 NYSEG	
Mutual aid received	3
Automatic aid received	1
	<hr/> 4
0300 Town of Union HWY	
Mutual aid received	1
	<hr/> 1
0331 Union Ambulance	
Mutual aid received	3
Automatic aid received of Ambulance	4
Automatic aid given	1
	<hr/> 8
04012 Endwell	
Mutual aid given	1
Automatic aid given	2
	<hr/> 3
04012-98 Endwell	
Mutual aid received	1
	<hr/> 1
04022-98 Maine	
Mutual aid received	1
	<hr/> 1
54003 Campville	
Mutual aid given	1
	<hr/> 1

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Incidents by Day of Week/Shift

Alarm Date Between {02/01/2011} And {02/28/2011}

Day/Shift	Count	Pct
Sunday		
* < No Shift Specified >	7	15.21 %
	<hr/> 7	<hr/> 15.21 %
Monday		
* < No Shift Specified >	6	13.04 %
	<hr/> 6	<hr/> 13.04 %
Tuesday		
* < No Shift Specified >	2	4.34 %
	<hr/> 2	<hr/> 4.34 %
Wednesday		
* < No Shift Specified >	18	39.13 %
	<hr/> 18	<hr/> 39.13 %
Thursday		
* < No Shift Specified >	8	17.39 %
	<hr/> 8	<hr/> 17.39 %
Friday		
* < No Shift Specified >	5	10.86 %
	<hr/> 5	<hr/> 10.86 %

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Alarm Time Analysis

Alarm Date Between {02/01/2011} And {02/28/2011}

Alarm Hour	Count	Percent
00:00	2	4.34%
01:00	1	2.17%
02:00	1	2.17%
03:00	1	2.17%
04:00	1	2.17%
05:00	2	4.34%
07:00	1	2.17%
08:00	1	2.17%
09:00	1	2.17%
10:00	2	4.34%
11:00	1	2.17%
14:00	2	4.34%
15:00	8	17.39%
16:00	1	2.17%
17:00	2	4.34%
18:00	1	2.17%
19:00	14	30.43%
20:00	1	2.17%
23:00	3	6.52%



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Union Center Fire Activity & Training Hours/Points Activity/Training Date Between {02/01/2011} And {02/28/2011}

Staff Member	Alt ID	Hours
53-123	Bealo, Bob	5.15
53-101	Belensky, Mark Thomas	24.35
DEIF01	Deiffenbacher, William	3.18
53-243	Drotar, Joe	1.73
GAZD01	Gazdik, Bill	3.62
53-228	Green, Adrian K	2.66
GREE01	Greenlee, Gordan	0.80
53-208	Haight, Chris	0.27
HARD01	Hardik, Jean	4.86
53-249	Henry, Mark Eugene	25.10
53-112	Hoyt, Chris	30.20
MANN01	Mann, Jack	5.73
53-244	Mason, Tom	27.51
MIGA01	Miga, Karen	4.71
MIGA02	Miga, Wesley	9.18
53-215	Serowik, Ray	2.13
53-902	Silvestri, Tony	9.86
53-122	Trzcinski, Frank	27.07
53-229	VanKuren, John	5.30