

UNION CENTER FIRE COMPANY

AUXILARY MEETING

(January 11th, 2017)

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Union Center Fire Company Auxiliary is to **SHARE**.

SUPPORT the Fire Company during times of emergency by providing supplies at the scene of fires or natural disasters, as well as helping the Fire Company personnel and their families during times of loss or need.

HONOR the service and sacrifice of fire fighters and their families.

ASSIST the Fire Company in raising funds for equipment and community awareness by holding events and activities.

REPRESENT the Fire Company at functions and events.

ENCOURAGE Community support of the Union Center Fire Company and its members.

We began the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

PRESENT: Barrilyn Polhamus, Ashley Greenlee, Debbie Dieffenbacher, Ruby McConnell, Christina Buonomo, Kim Greenlee, Donna Glover, Rachel Greenlee, Kelly Hoyt, Sierra Hoyt.

ABSENT: Shelia Bealo, Erin Belensky.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 18:35

MINUTES for: December 14th were approved by Ruby McConnell and Rachel Greenlee.

TREASURER'S REPORT The Budget is now at \$909.00. Budgeted purchases which were planned on, were not finished. Barrilyn and Donna will be attending the budget meeting to discuss next year's budget.

HEALTH/SAFETY- Three members need physicals. There will be a CPR class offered by Ray S. February 11 at 10 am Station 1.

OSHA- We are in a new calendar year for training.

Old Business

New Members check list –Sierra, Ruby and Christina need Broome County badges for fire calls. An attempt to print out forms to take to Chief Chris for his signature, was made tonight. Emergency services, is located at the bottom floor in the Public Safety building on Van Winkle Dr. near SUNY Broome.

Driver Qualifications for Auxiliary. – Glen Roberts offered to take on this task. We await with eager anticipation, is solution to this.

Nominations for Officers of the Auxiliary for 2017- The following have agreed to be nominated for these positions.

President: Barrilyn

Secretary: Debbie

V. President: Kim

Treasurer: Ruby ☺

Leadership lessons- Auxiliary discussed attending this.

This email was sent by: Chris Hoyt (December 14)

"Leadership lessons" training with Lt. Basher from meridian training solutions is scheduled for Tuesday Jan 17th at station 1 @ 6:30. We would like to start as close to 6:30 as possible so come early if available. This class is intended for ALL members, current and upcoming officers urged to attend.

New Business

Live Burn February 25th 9am meet at Station 1 at 8:30. If you have a heater, available. Bring it.

Email from Wes- Noted it talked about and filed.

Situational Awareness- Training, February 21 18:30. Station 1

Bylaw Question- an Email was sent to the Company referring to the Auxiliary on a question of a change of description in the bylaws about the role of the Auxiliary. They removed the word “requirement” and wanted to replace it with function to the company to “enhance health, safety and well-being.”

To: Auxiliary:

Auxiliary members are the same as Active Members, (1.) with the exception of that which is listed under Section 3 D. education requirements.

(2) Auxiliary members serve a supporting function to the **company to enhance health, safety, and well-being. (3)**

They have a right to voice, present and vote on all issues that pertain to the company with the exception of voting on Chiefs and Line Officers. (4.) The president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary of the Auxiliary may be elected by the Auxiliary members themselves, only for organizational purposes; they are not officers of the company. (amended 12/14)

My response to the bylaw committee was

- In enhance health, safety and well being can open up lots of interpretations. This statement needs to be better defined. Debbie

This resulted in a few email exchanges which lead to the discussion by the Auxiliary on the matter. As a result we have approved the response of Bob Bealo who said.....

Just My 2 cents also:

H. Auxiliary:

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This way they server the fire Company in emergency and other times and they as do the firefighter serve at the will of the fire chief.

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Bob Bealo

Fire Marshal

Auxiliary Sunshine

Thank you card sent to Union Center United Methodist

New Members

None

Time agreed to Adjournment: 19:30

NEXT MEETING: February 8th, Station 1, 18:30.

Respectfully Submitted by *Debbie Dieffenbacher Secretary*