

**Copenhagen Volunteer Fire Department
Main Street
Copenhagen, New York**

APRIL Meeting Minutes

Held on: April 7, 2021

Minutes Taken by: Diana Russell

Copenhagen Volunteer Fire Department (herein after referred to as CVFD)

Members Present (Attendance sheet attached hereto)

James Henry-President Present

Terry Williams-VP Present

Brandy Kuehnle-Treasurer Present

Diana Russell-Secretary Present

**Call to Order by President Jim Henry at 7 p.m.*

**Pledge said by TJ Williams*

**Blessing on Meeting by Jerry Flanders*

**Roll Call taken by the Secretary*

***Correspondence read by Secretary*

(all correspondence included in file with minutes)

-based on a request from the Village attorney, Ms. Randall, we are to no longer have communication with the Village Board. All communication should go to our attorney, Mr. Hannigan, who will then relay it to the Village's attorney, Ms. Randall, and then she will relay it to the Village.

-a letter was sent to the Village requesting a meeting, that meeting was denied by the Village and relayed to us via our attorney.

**Minutes from March Meeting*

-additions, corrections, deletions?

MOTION PROPOSED BY: ROGER BATES

Motion to accept minutes.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

**Minutes from Board of Directors Meeting*

-additions, corrections, deletions?

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to accept minutes.

SECOND: PAUL WHEELER

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

**Treasurer's Report (see Treasurer's report)*

**Bills to be paid read (see Treasurer's report)*

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY

Motion to accept the treasurer's report.

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: LYNN HENRY/BILL HENRY

Motion to pay bills.

SECOND: PAUL WHEELER/ LYNN HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Suburban propane will be putting their bill in the new mailbox on the pole.

**Officers Reports:*

**Chief Report-TJ Williams*

-Thanks for the last 2 years as chief.

-sign in sheet has changed a little bit for calls. Added the contract holders on top.

-if you're on standby, fill out the report to save some time. Sign the back and other sheet.

-thanks to everyone responding to calls lately.

-thanks for wearing turnout gear.

-Interiors, be shaved and clean.

-messages have been going out for LMNS for records. We have everyone in.

Check your emails to update the system.

-HAZMAT-class 2 days or 3 days in May. Days TBD.

-EVOC-April 30th class here. Time will be posted. Thinking 9 am. Jim will contact Kevin for the time. It is roughly 5-6 hours in class.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JIM HENRY/JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to buy pizza, wings and soda from Stefano's for April 30th training up to \$250 from the general fund.

SECOND: BILL HENRY/BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-First Due letter is sent out to test hoses, ladders and hard suction.

-work detail April 18th at 6:30 p.m. to get ready for banquet

-training canceled 4/28.

-SNIRT run is this weekend. Carthage will be at Tuggers with UTV and LCSR

Ambulance. There will be Mercy Flight at Flat Rock. Roads are all preposted. Right side is posted, left side no parking. Dirt roads are very soft.

-Registration for 2004 Ford...what is this for? It's for the Brush Truck

**1st Asst. Chief Report*

Chief Report by Bill Henry

-Thanks for all the calls lately.

-thanks for last 2 years.

**2nd Asst Chief Report*

Chief Report by Shane Henry

-Maiden Lane is very soft.

-don't be on the telephone when trucks are backing in and don't reach in front of people writing in the book

-LCSR is looking at another CPR training date.

**Fire Police-Jerry Flanders*

-April 26th, Fire Police in Constableville at 6:30 p.m. if you can't go that night, the materials will be available.

**President's Report-Jim Henry*

-we have 3 trucks that we have registrations, not titles.

-we will go and get the titles from the DMV.

MOTION PROPOSED BY : JERRY FLANDERS/ BILL HENRY

Motion to get lost titles replaced up to \$350 out of the general account

SECOND:ROGER BATES/ SHANE HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-the '96 was never registered or titled. Diana got ahold of bank and we got the lien release to get it titled. All vehicles will now be CVFD Inc.

**VP Report-Terry Williams*

-thanks to all of the officers for dealing with PESH and Comptroller, the hard work they are doing. It is not going unnoticed. Some people don't see what is going on.

-thanks to the members for putting up with it.

-went to Town of Champion Meeting, issues were discussed.

***Committee Reports:**

-BYLAWS-Diana Russell-had a meeting with the auxiliary, they are more understanding on what is needed. Diana will go to their meeting on the 18th to present the bylaws with their addition. They will vote on the 18th. The completed bylaws will be sent to BOD for vote on 4/21. The bylaws will go to the membership for vote on May 5th.

-AUDIT-Jerry Flanders/Gerald Snyder-they are in need of a key to the file cabinet. We have requested a key and have not received it. The books and everything are in there. Jerry received guidelines from Sandy Peck the other night. Brandy and the audit committee will update everything that needs to be updated.

-NOMINATING-Terry Williams-no one has come to the Nominating Committee.

-MEMBERSHIP/INVESTIGATING-Gerald Snyder

MOTION PROPOSED BY : LYNN HENRY

Motion to transfer Diana Russell from Honorary to Corporate Member in accordance with the bylaws.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-TRUCK-TJ Williams-nothing

-FUNDRAISING-Terry Williams-boot drive Sunday, May 29th at 10 am.

-BANQUET-TJ Williams/Jim Henry-please get cards back to TJ or Jim to get a count for meals to caterer. TJ ordered coasters that say Copenhagen Cubs on them. That will be a gift. Door prizes will be done. DJ will be there. Cocktail hour 5-6, dinner after 6. Town Board of Champion are all coming. It will be a fun night.

-GOOD & WELFARE-Jerry Flanders-April 23rd, people will be going to Albany for State Meetings. April 24th Northern Drill Team Association will be in Deerfield at noon. May 1st to Morristown for NNYVA meeting at 1 pm in person. Golf Tournament will be the last Thursday of August, limited to 18 teams, but giving great prizes, Gerald Snyder has the sign up list, must be listed on a FD roster.

-Card was sent to Kenny Blair on behalf of the Department, as well as Sam Lundy.

-thanks for going to all the training for fire police and standing in the call. Thanks for being out there and helping. There were trips to Barnes Corners.

-RAMS-TJ Williams-he is in class 2 days a week. Grades are still good. He is responding to calls. Good kid.

-BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-Jim Henry-we will re-send out a scope of work for out back.

-BUDGET COMMITTEE-Jim Henry

-50/50-\$8.00 -\$4.00 to Roger Bates-donated back

****Unfinished Business***

-Bleachers, which are we getting rid of? The bent ones. We are going to use the jaws to cut them up as a training.

-Riding mower is TJs so that is why it is here. It will be out of here.

-Snowblower, Jim put a belt on. It will be gone.

-stand up freezer, we will look. We didn't know one was out there.

-a couple of people were asked about buying sections of fence. It's probably not going to happen. We have to maintain the building and keep it mowed and we need to get rid of it. Put a price on them and get rid of it. We will scrap it if no one wants it. \$40.00 a roll. It is heavy.

MOTION PROPOSED BY : SCOTT ALEXANDER

Motion to get rid of the fence and polls at \$40.00 a roll. If not sold, scrap it.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Anything from Harrisburg or Pinckney? No. We should go to their next meeting.

-new rope and flag up. Jim, Alan and Terry put it up. Thank you.

-Treasurer was getting a new laptop. Was it gotten? No. we will leave motion the way it is.

-outside audit? Being our contract states we have to do an audit. If the village does an audit it would be on the general account early. We still need to do it based on our contract. Our lawyer is looking for an auditor for us.

-all of the financial reports have been sent to all contract holders. We will put rentals on the Chief's log going forward.

-need to still purchase the recorder for meetings.

-no info from the Horse Club on rental for their event yet.

ANNUAL MEETING/ LINE ELECTIONS

CHIEF: NOMINATED OFF FLOOR-TJ WILLIAMS-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

1ST ASST CHIEF: BILL HENRY-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: LYNN HENRY

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: SHANE HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

2ND ASST CHIEF: SHANE HENRY-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

CAPTAINS:

1. ROGER BATES-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: LYNN HENRY

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: SHANE HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

2. LUCAS GOUTERMOUT-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: ROGER BATES

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: SHANE HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

3. BRYAN SHEITZ -NOMINATED OFF THE FLOOR-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: TERRY WILLIAMS

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

FIRE POLICE CAPTAIN: JERRY FLANDERS-ACCEPTED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY

Motion to close the polls and have the Secretary cast one ballot for.

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY

Motion to destroy ballots.

SECOND: ROGER BATES

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

****ALL TWO YEAR TERMS.

*** *MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY*

Motion to have our attorney, send the Village's attorney a letter regarding moving elections to January because they have not responded to our letter.

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-we will write a letter to ask our lawyer for a statement or invoice.

**New Business*

-Diana went through and re-did the application so that its in accordance with the law and new bylaws

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY

Motion to accept the new membership application

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-we will take the plow off this weekend, Saturday at noon.

-All of the material from the conference was gone over.

-Gasoline skid tank, for sale? Chief said yes. Scott will put it online for \$600 with the handpump.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: SHANE HENRY

Motion to get quotes to have the van and brush truck to get undercoated.

*SECOND: TERRY WILLIAMS
ALL IN FAVOR
MOTION CARRIED*

-Village isn't doing spring clean up this year.

-Hydrants, we need to get them flow tested. Rich Ross said he will start doing it. We need to know what our flow is, along with mutual aid. Water pressure is pretty good. Scott will bring up Wednesday to get the hydrants flushed.

**Good of the Department*

*MOTION PROPOSED BY : BILL HENRY
Motion to Adjourn Monthly Meeting
SECOND: ROGER BATES
ALL IN FAVOR
MOTION CARRIED*

**Monthly Meeting of the CVFD adjourned by Motion at 8:15 p.m.*

***Minutes of the April 7, 2021 Monthly Meeting taken and transcribed by Diana Russell, Notary Public, in and for the State of New York.*