

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

MAY Meeting Minutes

Held on: May 5, 2022

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 Absent

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)

June 18th, Flag Day parade-participation

Fire Police for May 25th for walking to Riverside Cemetery for Veterans flags

Fire Police for May 30th Memorial Day Parade

**Minutes from April 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: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

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

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

MOTION PROPOSED BY: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

Motion to accept the treasurer's report.

SECOND: BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS/JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to pay bills.

SECOND: BILL HENRY/BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

***AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEWED THE BILLS AND THEY ARE IN ORDER.
WAITING ON FASNY STATEMENT TO CHECK THE BALANCE AND SAVINGS
ACCOUNT, BRANDY IS WORKING ON ACCESS TO THE ACCOUNTS.**

-WE HAVE THE KEY FOR THE FILING CABINET

***Officers Reports:**

***Chief Report-TJ Williams**

-thanks to everyone for going to the calls lately. 7 calls this month.

-remember to wear your PPE please.

-training for the last couple of weeks are all listed. Some that need to finish training. Casimir and Tim, Bryan, Shane, Lucas, Jordan and Alex need to complete the OSHA training. Emails were sent out.

-HASMAT is May 17th, 19th, 24th, 26th. Some need it. It is at 3G 6 pm. Only 4 nights.

-Driving training was done Saturday. Current drivers list: Scott, Roger, Jerry (nothing to drive) Jim, Lynn, Shane, Terry, Lucas, TJ, Roger.

-Thanks for keeping the truck bay clean, looks good.

-please wash the trucks, take 5 mins after the call to make sure they are washed and full of fuel. Get with TJ or Jim for a card to get fuel if we run out.

-Had a meeting with Adams Center and Rodman. They are mutual aid with us for entrapment and structure fires in Town of Pinckney. Rodman and Rutland first alarm, Adams Center second alarm.

***1st Asst. Chief Report**

Chief Report by Bill Henry

-thanks for going to the calls lately.

-when you call back in service, use the radio instead of calling dispatch. We need

everyone to know we are back in service through the radio to have it go out.

**2nd Asst Chief Report*

Chief Report by Shane Henry-nothing

**Fire Police-Jerry Flanders*

Lewis County is May 31st at CVFD-need refreshments.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS /ROGER BATES

Motion to allow Jerry use the card for refreshments for May and June meeting up to \$50 from the general fund for each meeting.

SECOND: BILL HENRY/BILL HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

Jefferson County is May 18th in Rodman

-2 requests for fire police. Scott will be on his lunch hour, and possibly Gerald.

-Memorial Day will be the same as always. Going to St. Mary's this year.

-Thanks to Lucas who assisted FP times. He has things set up in Barnes Corners, flares and everything else when we have calls up there. It is really appreciated. Gave Lucas a booklet for fire police, and gave one to Terry Williams, who were unable to go to Constableville due to classes.

-We had 7 members at Constableville on the training night. It was very good training and for a change it was new material. Some overlapped with the EVOC course that we took. It is important for fire police to take the EVOC course.

-We are getting low on flares also. There used to be 2 or 3 boxes here and have disappeared. They were in the truck bay, maybe got thrown out, but TJ hasn't seen them. If you see a state policeman, ask for flares. Bill indicated there are flares in every truck. Jerry said the brush truck ones are gone. Check the trucks.

**President's Report-Jim Henry*

-Terry Murrock called about doing the ditch. He wants to come up and look at it. We will send the scope of work back out because it's over \$5,000. That will get sent back out.

-approached by Copenhagen Cares Committee, want us to do the barbecue because church is not on Memorial Day. We will do them. We will do chicken and pork, 75/75 a total of 150.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY /BILL HENRY

Motion to use \$800 for supplies for the chicken barbecue out of the General Fund

SECOND: ROGER BATES/ ROGER BATES

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-June 5th, doing refreshments for horse club out back.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: ROGER BATES/BILL HENRY

Motion to purchase the food and spend up to \$500 for materials out of General Account for horse club.

SECOND: BILL HENRY/ JERRY FLANDERS

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Kevin Townsend said he will get books and tests for \$15-\$20 a piece for EVOC.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JIM HENRY/JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to spend up to \$75 for EVOC books to get everyone in compliance out of General Fund .

SECOND: BILL HENRY/PAUL WHEELER

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Need to have a budget committee meeting May 9th, Monday @ 7pm. Terry has class.

***VP Report-Terry Williams**

-Went to Town of Champion meeting Monday-all good, no complaints. Those that came to the banquet thanked us. Meal and Facility were excellent. Tour we gave was excellent. Brian Peck said they do certificates for years of service and will get those. They are happy someone attends the meeting and more than happy they get the minutes and financial reports. We have to start making sure people get to the meetings.

***Committee Reports:**

-BYLAWS-Diana Russell-

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY

Motion to accept the Bylaws to go in effect June 1st..

SECOND: ROGER BATES

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-AUDIT-Jerry Flanders/Gerald Snyder- see above

-NOMINATING-Terry Williams-nothing

-MEMBERSHIP/INVESTIGATING-Gerald Snyder-nothing

-TRUCK-TJ Williams-Joe called today for the tankers. A couple are coming up. He will send an email in the next couple of days. Truck committee will meet and make a

decision.

-Lights on the back of the brush truck, the single stream glass bulb ones, NAPA said they are a discontinued bulb. We need to upgrade to LED lights. Bill will donate two.

-bulbs in the telescopic lights need to be replaced.

-thanks to Scott, he took a strainer home for Lucas and fixed it so when we pump out cellars it is easier. It's in the brush truck.

-FUNDRAISING-Terry Williams-boot drive Sunday, May 29th 10 am. Barbecue on Monday.

-BANQUET-TJ Williams/Jim Henry-banquet went well. Thanks to all that came. Only have 5 slates left. If you want one, there they are. Food was good. Banquet went well and everything got cleaned. Planning for next year. Apologize to those that needed pins, they are back ordered. There is a 40 year pin for Scott and one for Ed for 25 years from 2020.

-GOOD & WELFARE-Jerry Flanders-Sent a card on behalf of the department to Janet McCormick. She is doing better now. She lost her voice and is having a hard time getting it back.

-Sunday, Roger and Jerry and Paul Wheeler and Randy and Sandy went to the meeting in Morristown. Convention will be last weekend in August. Gave TJ the information. Parade is Saturday morning. Need 8 people to count. All will drive back and forth, an hour drive. Rooms are limited. We have one or two for Memorial Service Friday afternoon. Last meeting is October in Champion Fire Hall, West Carthage is Hosting. Can we send letter to Northern NY to host the January Meeting? We will lucky to have 50 people here. Eating is at noon and committee meetings in the morning.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to host the January Northern NY meeting. Letter will be sent to Dennis Eikoff

SECOND: PAUL WHEELER

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-RAMS-TJ Williams-doing well in school. Dropped out of BEFO due to work, under advisement of the Chief. He graduates this year. He will get into another class once he graduates.

-BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-Jim Henry- going to send out the ditch scope of work for more.

-BUDGET COMMITTEE-Jim Henry-meeting Monday at 7, May 9th

-50/50-\$8.00-Jim Henry donated \$4.00 back

****Unfinished Business***

-discussion was had about conversations with our lawyer.

-did we hear anything from Harrisburg? No, we can go online to get their budget lines.

-Check from Champion? It is in a reserve fund at the Village.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: GERALD SNYDER

Motion to give the lawyer 2 weeks to make some decisions with the village or look for new lawyer.

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-fire contract with the Village? do we have to provide fire service with no contract? Asking lawyer.

-anything with the poles and fence? Nothing yet.

****New Business***

-blind spot mirrors for the trucks? We will get some.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: SCOTT ALEXANDER/BILL HENRY

Motion to get blind spot mirrors for all trucks up to \$30 a piece out of operational maintenance budget.

SECOND: BILL HENRY/ROGER BATES

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Bill went to Fire Advisory Board meeting. We can use Fort Drum if Mercy Flight and LifeNet won't fly. Landing zones are now 200x200. They are having issues landing the new flight due to size. Working on contracts. Army will be liable if Fort Drum is used.

-Program with the sheriff's for dementia patients or anyone in general. Contact the sheriff's office. It is all FREE right now.

-TJ indicated general fire department training will be May 16th, 7 pm here.

-when we go to fires or training driving, document it. We have to legit have 10 hours of driving a year to be in compliance.

-TJ purchased a plaque for Ladies Auxiliary, similar to the one with the chiefs. They will give it back to get names on it.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: BILL HENRY/BILL HENRY

Motion to have TJ present the bill for names for plaque and we will pay for it.

SECOND: SHANE HENRY/LYNN HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Shane asked about the Homestead training. Can we get that going. We need a key to the box and it will be set up.

-Board meeting is May 19th, 7 p.m.

-People are going to Deerfield on the 21st of May for Official training, rules committee and inspection. On May 29th, there will be some going to Theresa to Judge the Memorial Day parade.

-why are we not doing things for SNIRT run? We should probably start doing something with the department. Shane is now in charge of that.

-AIS is also looking for help. New Breman isn't going to be doing it. There is money to be made. We need to check into the insurance for that. New Breman isn't doing it because they haven't been getting paid. We will look into it further.

-flares and everything we talked about is operations. It has to come through the body? TJ can spend up to \$1,000. May as well make the motion.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: TERRY WILLIAMS

Motion to have operational expenses to go through the Chief to take care of up to \$1,000 before bringing to the body first..

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Collapsible cones for the trucks? Need new ones for the rescue and other trucks. Motion was made prior and now getting taken care of. TJ will take care of it.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: TJ WILLIAMS/JERRY FLANDERS

Motion to have Lynn Henry go to Farneys and get correct piping for the sump pump up to \$100 from Buildings and Grounds line

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT/ROGER BATES

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-did we decide we are having a field day? Auxiliary is doing a barbecue and games. TJ and Bryan are in charge. We are in limbo because we don't know what we will have for money. We talked about not having a drill, but something. It will get discussed with Field Day committee.

-Can the Chief appoint someone to get supplies like mirrors and lights? Yes, now Scott's job.

****Good of the Department***

MOTION PROPOSED BY : TERRY WILLIAMS

Motion to Adjourn Monthly Meeting

SECOND: LUCAS GOUTERMOUT

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

****Monthly Meeting of the CVFD adjourned by Motion at 8:00 p.m.***

*****Minutes of the May 5, 2022 Monthly Meeting taken and transcribed by Diana Russell, Notary Public, in and for the State of New York.***