

Baldwin Fire Department

Business meeting 01-9-2011 approved minutes

Attendance - Boeke, Brinwall, Buell, Case, Fischer, Holland, Kiel, Larsen, Ludwig, Nagle, Nemerov, Oliver, Rademacher, Suckut, Swigart, Taylor, Wagner, Watson, Martin.
Town Board members- Tom Rush

Call to order 1944 hours

Correspondence:

Thank you to Gene and Phil for their time spent getting E2 back in service (batteries/battery tray).

Thank you to Cal for adjusting T1 and T2 clutches.

Thank you to Gary for driving E3 to and from Rosebauer for repairs.

Approval of last month's minutes:

Justin Suckut makes a motion to approve the last month's meeting minutes, Rick Wagner seconds, and the motion carries unanimously.

- I. **Review of Prior Months Calls-16**
 - a. Medicals-12
 - b. P.I.s = -1
 - c. Fire = -2
 - d. Other = 1 mutual aid (Princeton gas leak)

- II. **Apparatus – Jim Buell**
 - A. E-3 pump issue update-Actuator was replaced
 - B. E-2 battery issue- Replaced batteries and slides on tray
 - C. E-2 Water level gauge should now be reading correct-EAM
 - D. E-3- equipment/tool storage. If you have different ideas, get together with Jim and Phil. Hoping to have E3 in service in about one month depending on when all of the equipment comes in and if we have had adequate pump training.
 - E. T1 & T2 check to see if the air brake system (air break release valves) was mortified correctly. Both of these tankers were semi tractors that were modified/changed to straight trucks. When this was done they modified the air brake system which included glad hands on the rear of the semi for tractor trailers. These lines were plugged or spliced together in a loop. We have not had any incidents with these tankers as of yet, but it has been brought to our attention that there is a concern. Jim B will get these looked at and verify that the brake systems have been modified correctly.
 - F. We have ordered an additional fitting for the new deck gun on E3 this will allow the deck gun to be portable. When the deck gun was ordered there was a mix up with the part numbers (due to misleading catalog info).
 - G. T1, need to adjust head lights also need to replace the high low beam switch. – Jim B and Phil
 - H. G1 driver side head light – Jim B and Phil

- III. Training Report – Joe Kiel**
- a. The first training in January (ice rescue) was postponed due to below zero temps. We are planning to attend ice rescue training in March with Princeton FD. The second training in January will be pumping (weather permitting). February trainings will be First Responder refresher, only offered in the evening. All FF's are expected to attend regardless of higher certification.
 - b. First Responder renewals (2 FF'S)
 - c. Robin and Scott are looking to get First Responder Instructor Certification.
 - d. Anyone interested in State fire schools check with Joe K or your captain. You can also look online to see what classes you would like to take. A training request form is required, turn request form into your Captain. Reminder, lodging reimbursement is available up to \$50.00 per night max of two nights. This reimbursement is a maximum of \$100.00 per year per firefighter.
- IV. S.C.B.A – Robin Fischer**
- a. Everyone should have a voice amplifier and a new style mask.
 - b. Those with glasses need to get prescriptions to Robin for mask inserts.
- V. Building/Grounds- Don Larson**
- a. New urinal installed in men's room.
 - b. Pads have been installed on furniture.
 - c. Lights behind station now working.
- VI. Equipment/Medical Equipment- Scott Case**
- a. Scott will inventory equipment and gear including all turnout gear and the contents of the gear locker.
 - b. We have some turnout gear to try on tonight. Will try to get other brands to compare by February's first responder training.
 - c. Tom Rush (Town Board Supervisor) requested that we get an inventory of all fire department equipment turned into the town board.
- VII. Recruiting- Larry Boeke**
- a. One application will, wait for more.
- VIII. Work Detail**
- a. Captain 3's crew will be working in February.
 - b. Detail will be on an as needed basis.
- IX. Communications – Justin Suckut**
- a. 6 bank charger will be ordered and radios assigned
 - b. Township should not be using 800 MHZ. They were purchased with safety grant. We need radios back by Friday January 14, 2011.
 - c. These FF's are having paging issues, Terry Nemerov, Joe Keil, Bill Swigart, Ross Martin, Rick Wagner and Tim Gross, all have minitor 4's. Jim B and Robin F have minitor 5's and are also having problems. We will talk to the county. This may get worse as they are going to a narrower band.
- X. Misc**
- a. The updated chain of command was read.
 - b. Year end call percentages are posted in the day room.
 - c. Reminder, it is allowed to phone into the station to get credit for a cancelled page, but if you leave a message on the answering machine, you will not receive credit unless you leave the date and time of the cancelled call.
 - d. A new contact list will be posted and emailed soon. If your contact info has changed for example home phone, cell phone and email addresses, please email Larry B.

- e. The next business meeting is scheduled to be held on February 6th which is Super Bowl Sunday. Jim B makes a motion to move the meeting to February 13th, Don L seconds. Motion carries with one Ney. (Scott Case)
- f. Chief Rademacher will be on medical leave from January 31st – February 4th, any issues that come up during this time please contact Assistant Chief Boeke.
- g. A concern was raised, that if Captain 3 (Dr. Fischer) cares for a patient up to the level of his license, that North Ambulance would not be able to transfer care of the patient from Dr. Fischer in order to transport the patient. We have confirmed that this is incorrect. Captain 3/Dr. Fischer may practice up to the level of his license on any of our medical/rescue scenes, but is not obligated to do so by law. This is mostly due to not usually having the specialized equipment available in a First Responder setting to practice at the level of a MD. Also in the case where no specialized equipment is necessary to practice as a MD and where he feels it is appropriate to do so he may practice up to the level of his license and North Ambulance can accept the transfer of patient care if they choose. If North Ambulance is uncomfortable with providing care to a patient after Captain 3 has provided care, he will ride with the patient during transport to the hospital.
- h. Harassment of FF's or FF's family members will not be tolerated. We have had complaints that a FF has been harassing other FF's spouses. We are looking into this. If anyone feels that they are being harassed please contact the Chief ASAP.
- i. Good job to FF's for putting in a lot of time and for your continued commitment to the FD. We appreciate all that you do, this department would not be able to function without your hard work behind the scenes. Keep up the good work.

Rick Wagner makes a motion to close, Jim Oliver seconds. The motion carries unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 2050