

Waterloo Fire Department Meeting Minutes

May 27th, 2025 at 1900

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm

Roll Call: sign in sheet was passed around.

Minutes from the last meeting were read by Kaitlin. Motion to approve as read by Garry, second by Wes. Motion approved.

Public Comments: Please remember the importance of attending the wake or funeral of past members. It is important to remember them, honor their sacrifices, and show support to their families.

Old Business:

1. EMS Scheduling: Please see where you can help out. Current need for 3rd shifts during the week.
2. Training Log: Written excuses needed for missed fire and EMS training need to be turned into the respected training officer.
3. Ambulance Update: Jason will be speaking with Ray tomorrow. The final spec is in review with the ambulance committee. Should be going into production soon. Delivery date of Sept/October. We will then have three ambulances.
4. Policies: no update. Nothing is moving forward until negotiations are completed with the union.
5. Bylaws: tabled until new business.
6. Trek Race: Thanks again to those who helped out.
7. Hose Testing: Thank you to those who helped thus far. We still have LDH left to finish up at MPO training.
8. Any other old business? None.

New Business:

1. Critique Past Called if Needed:
 - a. Siding started on fire on Newville Road. Marshall assisted.
 - b. Commercial fire in Watertown. Our crew cut holes to access and extinguish the fire.
 - c. Responded to the fire on Sand Street in Watertown. We put our ladder up.
 - d. 2 vehicle accident on Hwy 89, third vehicle in a field. Our EMS responded with Lake Mills Fire. 59 & 58 responded, one patient was flighted. Crews noted difficulty reaching command on the radio.

- e. Mutual Aid to Columbus for a tender, no water dumped.
- 2. Pancake Breakfast: served 343 adults. Still working with Laurie for the official report. Thank you to the volunteers from Knights of Columbus and F&M Bank. Members said that the advertisement could have been better.
- 3. Training Requests: Tactical training in Horicon coming up. NFA is back open. Dodge Co HazMat team is always looking for people, info posted on the board.
- 4. Jefferson County Chiefs Discussion on Haz-Mat: Dodge Co HazMat team covers us now. Our role at operations level is to decon and provide EMS coverage.
- 5. Marshall EMS: Marshall has a request out for EMS coverage. The budget for that will include hiring people to staff one ambulance over at the Marshall Station. It will not affect us here. This is for Marshall's whole coverage area, Medina, and parts of York.
- 6. Training Next Month:
 - a. EMS: Quarterly with Aurora
 - b. Fire: Extrication and Ladders
 - c. MPO Training: Hose testing LDH.
 - d. 5th Monday Combination Training: Extrication with patients.
- 7. New Members, probationary members, transfers: none.
- 8. Any other new business?
 - a. Thank Yous - 3 read aloud. Thank you to those that showed up for RiverBend's parade. Thank you to those who worked the Trek Race. Thank you to those who volunteered at the pancake breakfast. Thank you to those who showed up to Greg Duckert's funeral. Donation of cooler and snacks from Waterloo Blooms and a couple other downtown businesses.
 - b. Kudos - Kevin, Dan Wilson, Brian and Nathan for finishing classes.
 - c. Bylaws: Suggested changes discussed with the membership. Qualifications for chief officers reviewed. (We follow SPS330) Members discussed possible changes to wording to current bylaws. Special meeting next month.

Truck Starters for Next Month:

EMS: Daniel and Kaitlin

Fire: Saul, Craig, and Carlo

Motion to adjourn meeting by Craig, second by Dan. Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.