



Minutes - Fluvanna Fire and Rescue Association April 8, 2024

The meeting was Called to Order at 19:31 hours

In attendance: Chris Aley, Bryan Morris, Jeff Potter, Howard Lagomarsino, Josh Brent, Gary Morris, Richie Constantino, Brian Deane, Debbie Smith, Jim True, John Lye

Guests: Peppy Winchel

Motion to approve minutes of 3/11/24: (motion by Richie Constantino, seconded by Gary Morris) approved

Burn building update: No updates at this time.

CIP Update: The CIP has been changed significantly:

The BoS has moved Engine 52 to FY26

The BoS has moved Engine 11 back to FY27

The BoS has moved Brush 30 back into the FY25 budget.

Dive 5 is out for FY25

Car 50 is in the FY25 budget

Budget Discussion: The BoS had a discussion stating that they are providing money to replace units, not to augment apparatus (apparatus creep, as Mr. Sheridan called it). The BoS will be watching to ensure that once a new unit is placed in service, the old unit will be sold, donated or scrapped and not kept in service.

The operational budgetary numbers are down about approximately 15% for operational funds from the budget requests that the agencies submitted.

Unit reports:

Company 2: The pre-engineering is done on new the Engine last month. They took their UTV to Louisa for the brush fire.

Company 3: The new UTV is at Monty's for final assembly. We assisted Louisa with the brush fire in Attack-30.

Lake Rescue: The Annual Elections were completed, Howard Lagomarsino is the new Rescue Chief 5. They are removing 2 deputy chiefs since they had 5 chiefs previously. They are restructuring their command structure to be able to manage the 14 Lts. They need to get with Tori to get plates for Ambulance 552. Old Ambulance 555 will be kept as a countywide reserve unit, staging location to TBD, but possibly in Kent's Store. Car-5 is still at Clear Communications getting lights, but has not arrived due to supply chain issues. There were 128 calls last month for Lake Rescue.

Palmyra: Tanker-10 is still in Charlottesville, they have equipment coming in for it.

Lake Fire: The FireFighter-1 class is wrapping up. They need to do their written and practical exams on the 20th. They will be doing an APO class for the new truck. The Food Lion water flow alarm is due to

the pool people filling tankers from the hydrant to fill swimming pools and causing a low water flow alarm. Regarding the Troy Rd. call, the homeowner has dementia, it is now flagged in the system.

Chief 1 is working on the Car-1 and Car-30 replacements, no update on them, though. He also mentioned a dam that is backing up water on Richmond Rd.

Water Rescue: They did a training in Pleasant grove for high/low angle rescue. They are looking at a ropes 1 and 2 class, possibly in late summer or early fall. If you see a house that needs a ramp or similar minor repairs, contact John because WE Brown has a community group that is looking to help..

Dispatch: The ECC is putting together a tactical dispatch team to go into the field to relieve dispatchers for things like the SWATTING episode.

FCDEMS: Jim True - Ambulance-47 is now in, and will get plates today. They will get it weighed tomorrow for it's EMS license. Ambulance-49 has a communications glitch between the engine and transmission. Pharmacy is still in progress, but subject to a lot of red tape bureaucracy

Emergency Management Coordinator: Debbie Smith - The County Library would like to do a Fire/EMS day. The dates are all Fridays July 12, 19, 26 or dates in August 2, or 9. We still need to choose dates for this event. The consensus was to just pick a date, and we will see about getting apparatus there.

TJEMS: VFCA is sending out notices about the new pharmacy rule, along with tips and guides. Vizient has options to select and compare suppliers and we can go check them out. TJEMS is hosting a vendor fair on 4/17 from 2-9pm for drug kits/bags. They will have machine demos. On 5/2/24, the board of pharmacy is going to vote on the updated regulations. They plan to push out results quickly.

The FRA bylaws will need to be updated to remove FCRS and add FCDEMS. John will propose a change and send it out.

Adjourned: Motion by Richie Constantino, seconded by Gary Morris, 20:23 hours