

**WINTERVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
June 5, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The June Business Meeting was called to order by Chief Carnie Hedgepeth at 20:05 hours with 32 members present.

**INVOCATION**

The devotion and benediction was given by Chaplain Ed Scull.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

Roll call was taken with thirty-two (32) members present.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MAY BUSINESS MEETING**

The May Business Meeting Minutes were posted on the department website. A motion to approve the minutes was made by David Hooks, seconded by Captain Steve Mullaly, and approved by the members.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Chief Hedgepeth reported that the budget for the upcoming fiscal year was almost 100% complete. Included in the new budget are a new equipment truck and new turnout gear.
2. Chief Hedgepeth reported that the department was ordering polo shirts, t-shirts, small equipment, 7 – 1 ¾” nozzles, 3 – 2 ½” nozzles, positive pressure ventilation fans, and hose out of the current budget.
3. Deputy Chief Moore reported that in the upcoming year there would be a volunteer incentive program. There are three levels to the program. To reach level 1, a member must respond to at least 50 alarms, be 1403 qualified, and complete at least 100 training hours, and a \$50 gas card will be rewarded. To reach level 2, a member must respond to at least 100 alarms, be Firefighter 1 certified, and complete at least 150 training hours, and the reward is a membership to Champions gym. To reach level 3, a member must respond to at least 150 calls, be Firefighter 2 certified, and complete at least 200 training hours, and the prize is a leather helmet.
4. Chief Hedgepeth reported that the verbal warnings for not wearing seat belts are over. From now on, disciplinary action will be taken.
5. Deputy Chief Moore reported that the blue helmets had arrived. All members who are not 1403 qualified will wear a blue helmet. This will make it easier to tell them apart from everyone who is qualified. There are 8 total.
6. Chief Hedgepeth reported that four (4) applicants applied for the vacant lieutenant position. He stated he appreciates them for “stepping up.”

7. Captain Mervin Taylor reported that the Ladders class has started. A Rookie School will be starting in Belvoir in July. It will also start at WFD again in September. Red Oak will be holding a live burn on June 21. Triple C Training will be at WFD with their Live Burn Simulator on June 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Salvage and Overhaul will be held on August 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Portable Fire Extinguishers will be starting on July 7<sup>th</sup>. Building Construction will be starting on Oct 7<sup>th</sup>. Ropes will be starting on November 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be a mutual aid training with Greenville Fire-Rescue on June 11<sup>th</sup>. All dates are posted on the website.
8. Chief Hedgepeth reported that all mailing addresses need to be updated in the records. Please contact Secretary Robert Henderson.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Deputy Chief Moore asks that member respond to all calls that they can and to not screen calls.
2. Chief Hedgepeth reported that all training will be reported in a newsletter to the members.
3. Assistant Chief Waters asks that all members that respond get their names on the roster. If they can't make it to the station then please contact someone that is there and can add them to the list.
4. Chief Hedgepeth reminds everyone that there are to be no POV's driven into Greenville when we are dispatched mutual aid.
5. Brandyn Smith reports that the state will no longer be holding certifications for specialty classes. All prerequisites must be completed before the specialty classes are taken in order to receive certification.
6. Captain Steve Mullaly reported that the website has a new design and new features.
7. Assistant Chief Waters reported that membership applications are being misplaced. A membership box will be placed in the common office for applications.
8. David Hooks reported that if the kitchen is not kept clean, then locks will be placed on the doors.
9. Assistant Chief Williams asks that the bays and bedrooms be kept clean also. He also asks that the trucks be kept clean.
10. Lieutenant Raynor advises all members to drink plenty of water due to heat.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

David Cobb made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by David Hooks. The motion passed. The meeting closed at 21:10 hours.

Respectively Submitted:

*Robert Henderson*

Robert Henderson - Secretary