Town of Algoma Fire Department
Monthly Business Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2023

- Chief Sawicki called the Town of Algoma Fire Department Monthly Business Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- Roll call was taken with 14 members present.
- Sheriff's Deputies not present.
- Fire department secretary's report dated April 12, 2023, approved.
- Fire department treasurer's report was read and approved.
- Training Officer Report
  - The May 1, 2023, drill will be Theda Star training – classroom and hands-on.
- Truck Report
  - The Stihl saw is off the engine because it is not running correctly.
  - The gauges on the squad (in the compartment) are replaced.
  - The PS telescoping light in the pump house on the Engine will be replaced.
  - The pump panel lights on E21 are not working.
  - S21 has an engine light on in the dash. Chris is aware.
- Safety Committee Report
  - Weight and exercise challenge will start at the next drill. Weigh in will be at the drill May 15, 2023, and weigh out will be at drill June 19, 2023. There will also be sheets to record your exercise. These are two separate challenges with prizes.
- First Responder Report
  - Nothing to report.
- Chief's Report
  - The town approved using the EMS grant money for a new pick-up. It is on order and will be here in a few months.
  - Chief Sawicki is starting to talk to the town about truck replacement again.
  - Once the town is done remodeling what was the fire room, we will probably move the meetings back there.
  - Don't be afraid to ask for mutual aid if we are short people, even if not for a structure fire.
  - Be sure to send the tender on structure fire (probably second truck out).
  - Two hydrants were put in on Oakwood Ln. There is a map on the whiteboard with locations.
- Old Business
  - Firehouse Subs Grant
    - Have not heard anything on Firehouse Subs Grant.
  - EMS Grant
    - New handheld radios are on order.
    - The pick-up truck is on order.
  - 2023 Fundraising.
    - Raffle tickets are printed. Tickets are $20 each; there are 500 tickets. The goal is to sell 75% of the tickets before the car show. Sign them out when taking them to sell.
  - Equipment Purchases
    - Chief Sawicki brought up the possibility of buying headsets that plug into the radios for the drivers when at the pump panel. Based on initial investigation into pricing, they are almost $700 each.
    - Motion by Mark Thompson to spend up to $1400 on two headsets for radios, second by Tyler Downs; motion passed.
- New Business
  - Open House
    - Open house is May 20, 2023, 10am – 2pm. Set-up starts at 8am. We need as many people as possible. If you will not be there, let your captain know.

    - Cleaning/organizing the station is on Saturday, May 13, 2023, 8-11am.
    - Trucks will be washed either at drill on Monday or an evening during the week.
  - Air Trailer
    - There is a fire department in Aurora, IL that is interested in buying the air trailer.
    - The Fire House subs grant is for a station air compressor. It will be awarded by July 6, 2023.
    - If we sell the air trailer, the town would like the check payable to the fire department. The money can then be used toward the station air compress installation.
    - If we sell the trailer before we find out about the station compressor, we will fill the cascade and all air bottles before the trailer leaves.
    - Motion by Mark Thompson to sell the air trailer, second by Ron Patt; motion passed.
- Membership Forum
  - Glenn Demler said we need to notify Fleet Farm if we will participate at the touch-a-truck event June 25, 2023. We agreed to participate.
  - Chief Harbison from Fox Crossing is retiring.
  - Per Chief Sawicki, plowing and yard maintenance will be outsourced to a contractor. Station cleaning will no longer be done by Glenn. Everyone is expected to pitch in with cleaning.
  - Tanner Harrington said fire inspections will be done in the next month.
- Membership Update
  - Stephan Sebastiani passed his FF1 test.
  - James Brockman resigned and moved to Wausau to be on the Wausau fire department.
  - Jackson Merrill and Griffin Kintopf were hired at Appleton.
- Correspondence
  - None.
- The next drill is Monday, May 15, 2023, at 6:30pm.
- Motion by Keith Breu to adjourn, second by Mark Thompson; motion passed unanimously.

End of Meeting at 7:42 pm.

Submitted by Secretary Lisa Breu