Town of Algoma Fire Department
Monthly Business Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2023

- Chief Sawicki called the Town of Algoma Fire Department Monthly Business Meeting to order at 7:01 PM.
- Roll call was taken with 14 members present.
- Sheriff's Deputies not present.
- Fire department secretary's report dated May 10, 2023, approved.
- Fire department treasurer's report was read and approved.
- Training Officer Report
  - The next training is June 19, 2023
  - Safety Stand Down week is June 18-24. The focus this year is Li batteries.
  - During EAA we are on some MABAS cards for Tender and EMR support. This will be discussed more during the next training.
  - Chief Sawicki and Josh Drexler are going to talk to Omro about doing some training together.
  - There may be a Saturday half day training in fall/early winter.
- Truck Report
  - There is a new heavy duty truck repair business, Apex, on Hwy E and Sand Pit Road.
- Safety Committee Report
  - The weigh out and turn in of exercise tracking sheets is at the next drill June 19, 2023.
- First Responder Report
  - All EMR re-certifications are complete.
- Chief's Report
  - Facepiece fit testing will be in the near future.
  - Fire inspections need to be completed this month.
  - There will likely be a day drill to do hose testing.
  - The tracking sheet with your participation is posted on the board by the meeting minutes. Your captain will discuss with you if there is an issue.
  - When paged for a fire call, respond to the station, and use prudence with your speed.
  - The ambulance and first responders are supposed to be paged if we have a structure fire. If they are not, FR contact the officer in charge.
- Old Business
  - Firehouse Subs Grant
    - Have not heard anything on Firehouse Subs Grant.
  - EMS Grant
    - New handheld radios are received.
    - The pick-up truck is on order.
  - 2023 Fundraising.
    - Touch a truck at Fleet Farm is Sunday, June 25, 11am to 1pm. We will take one truck. Looking for people to support.
    - There is a car show at the Brennand Airport on Sunday, June 25. Looking for a few people to hand out fliers.
    - The Blue and White day at Wildwood Baptist Church is also June 25. Gold Cross is interested in having us bring a truck and support Theda Star, if you are interested contact Chief Sawicki.
    - Bartending at the fair is the first week of August. Probably Wednesday, August 2, 2023.
    - 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
  - Craig Downs looked into struts that are easier to use than the ones we have (less assembly). Macqueen has a package from Curtis for $3400 that has two struts and two step chucks. These would be for the Squad.
  - Motion by Keith Breu to spend up to $4000 of fundraising money to purchase the strut kit, second by Tyler Downs; motion passed unanimously.
  - Chief Sawicki is looking into the new extension ladder and how it will fit on the Engine.
  - Mark Thompson is going to order the driver's radio headsets.
- Open House
  - The open house was May 20, 2023, and went well.
- Air Trailer
  - A fire department in Aurora, IL purchased the air trailer. It was picked up May 24, 2023.
- New Business
  - Recruitment/Retention
    - There are five people that have submitted applications recently, four were from the open house.
    - The BOD interviewed and accepted four people tonight.
    - We may start an explorer program.
  - Rescue 21 and Squad 21 Response/Functions
    - Squad 21 is going to be set up for the first out for extrication and CO calls.
    - Rescue 21 is going to be set up for the first out for structure fires.
    - For now, do not change the response order.
  - ISO Audit
    - The ISO Audit is this week.
  - EAA MABAS Card
    - This was covered under Training.
- Membership Forum
  - Keith Breu has Nekimi Mud Run Raffle tickets. Contact him to purchase. The fire fighter who provided them will be selling our raffle tickets.
- Membership Update
  - Three First Responders and a Fire Fighter were approved by the BOD tonight.
  - Don Davis's son passed away, thanks to all who have shown support.
- Correspondence
  - Card from Delores Dary in appreciation of the open house – learned a lot and the grand kids had fun.
  - Thank you and donation from Vernell Theisen for FR responses for her father.
- The next drill is Monday, June 19, 2023, at 6:30pm.
- Motion by Keith Breu to adjourn, second by Mark Thompson; motion passed unanimously.

End of Meeting at 7:50 pm.

Submitted by Secretary Lisa Breu