

MINUTES

The Volunteer Firefighter Relief Fund Committee for the Town of Montville met at 6:00 p.m. in Room 203 at the Montville Town Hall on August 18, 2010.

Members present: Joseph Jaskiewicz, Terry Fafard, John St. Denis (Ron Turner's designee), Steve Socha, Dana McFee, Micah Messer (Gary Murphy's designee) and Keith Truex.

Mayor Joseph Jaskiewicz called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Committee Business

Motion by Micah Messer; seconded by Keith Truex to approve the minutes of August 13, 2009 meeting with one correction. Approval of August 14, 2009 minutes should read "August 14, 2008." Passed unanimously.

The Fire Relief Committee reviewed the Montville, Chesterfield, Oakdale and Mohegan stipend lists.

Chesterfield's stipend list was discussed. Jeremy Truex only made 19.9% of the calls instead of 20% because he is a full-time college student. Keith Truex requested a waiver for him. Motion made by John St. Dennis; seconded by Micah Messer to accept the stipend list as submitted including waiver. Motion passed. The total amount is \$12,800.

Motion made by John St. Denis; seconded by Keith Truex to approve the Mohegan Co. stipend list as presented. Passed unanimously. The total amount is \$13,000.

Motion made by Stephen Socha; seconded by Keith Truex to approve the Montville stipends as presented. Passed unanimously. The total amount is \$11,200.

Oakdale's stipend list was discussed. Kevin Roe, Joseph Danao and Joseph Danao, Jr. made only 14 % of the calls instead of 15% due to being in active duty in the military. Motion made by Keith Truex; seconded by John St. Denis to waive these individuals. Passed unanimously. Motion made by Keith Truex; seconded by Stephen Socha to accept the stipend list as presented. Passed unanimously. The total amount is \$17,100.

There was discussion of the Firefighters physicals and the frequency of TB testing. It was decided that if anyone is concerned that they have come in contact with someone who has TB they should be tested. There was also discussion regarding whether the firefighters could have the option of applying their stipends toward taxes or receive a tax abatement. Terry Fafard will get more information on this.

The Mayor asked if this stipend program was drawing in new volunteers. The Chiefs agreed that it is not, but it is keeping current members. It is also keeping current members compliant.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Motion to adjourn by Keith Truex; seconded by John St. Denis; motion passed unanimously.

The Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Attest: _____
Theresa Fafard, Finance Director