The meeting of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department was called to order by Chief Manware at 7:30 p.m.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from January 6, 2020:
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of January 6, 2020 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report:
- A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer’s report as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence:
- Thank you from J. Hull
- Thank you from the Chiaramonte family
- Thank you from the Shea family
- Thank you from the Voss family

Report of Chiefs:
Chief:
- Discussed the budget with the Town Manager twice and will be presenting it to the Town Council
- The statistics for January are as follows:
  135 Total calls
  104 EMS calls
  22 Fire calls
  7 MV/CO
- April 30th is the end of the half year stats
  - Members need a minimum of 40 calls by April 30th

Deputy Chief Administration:
- Reported on the annual drive totals to date

Deputy Chief:
- Discussed the respirators which clip into members’ SCBA masks and suits which are permeable to bodily fluids
- If members need green or red tags sign up after the meeting

Deputy Chief EMS:
- Responded to 135 calls for service, the breakdown as follows:
  104 EMS calls
  7 Rescue calls
  - Went mutual aid 4 times – 2 of those times were for first line ambulance
  - Gave mutual aid 7 times
- Discussed when to use the face masks (one for patient and one for responders)

Assistant Chief:
- Thanked members for attending the training at Sweetwater Farm
- Drills are scheduled for February 10, February 16, February 24 (combined drill for Fire and EMS)
- RIT training on March 23 (skill stations) and March 29 (practicals)
The Juniors drill every Tuesday night and everyone is welcome to drill with them
If you cannot make your drills, see an officer

Report of Line Officers:
Captain Headquarters: No report
Captain Glenwood: No report
Captain Marine:
- The navigation aids have been moved and are not marking the channel at this time
- The Kelsey Point light is out
- Use caution when going out
- People are out goose hunting and shell fishing

Captain EMS:
- Drills include February 5 (infectious diseases), February 19 and February 24 (combined Fire and EMS)
- On February 11, Dr. Cohen (speaking on pediatric EMS) will be at Essex FD

Lt EMS – 946:
- Do not lock the ambulances
- Call in for your ambulance shift, especially the overnight shifts

Lt EMS – 947:
- Fax your PCRs
- Scan the patient’s bracelet at Yale
- Document everything in your run form
- Ensure the headlights are on, not just the running lights
- Need to have the emergency lights on when running with the siren

Lt EMS – 948: No report

Report of Divisions/Appointed Positions:
Communications Coordinator: No report
Engineer: No report
Quartermaster: No report
Junior Company: No report
Fire Police: No report
Auxiliary: No report

Committee Reports:
Membership:
- Patrick McAllister was introduced as a probationary EMS member
- Suggested bringing back mentors for new members to Fire and EMS
  - If anyone is interested in being a mentor, let the Membership Committee know
Seven probationary members were voted into full membership tonight with the results as follows:
  - Chet Crocco – FD/EMS – 39 yes and 2 no
  - Stephen Gannon – FD/EMS – 37 yes and 1 no
  - Michael Markovics – FD – 36 yes and 2 no
  - MacKenzie Miller – FD – 37 yes and 1 no
  - Taylor Miller – EMS – 33 yes and 6 no
  - Zachary Schrempp – FD – 35 yes and 4 no
  - James Wells – FD – 36 yes and 3 no

Finance: No report

Ways and Means:
  - January Bingo was cancelled due to inclement weather
  - February Bingo is scheduled for the 15th
    - If you have any food ideas let J. Strong or J. Lewellyn know

House: No report

Social:
  - The banquet is scheduled for February 8th and tonight is the last chance to sign up

Sick and Welfare: No report

By-Laws: No report

Nominating Committee:

Adjudicating Board:
  - Letters received from Glenn Coffin and Mark Gelven
  - Nominations from the floor were Mike Jenkins, Amy Johnson and Chris Simoni, nominations closed
    - Results of the vote are as follows:
      - Glenn Coffin - 31 votes – full seat
      - Mark Gelven - 26 votes – full seat
      - Amy Johnson - 25 votes – full seat
      - Chris Simoni – 20 votes – alternate seat
      - Mike Jenkins – 18 votes – alternate seat

Finance Board:
  - Letters received from D.E. Burns
  - Nominations from the floor were Jeffrey Heser and Michael Markovics, nominations closed
    - Results of the vote are as follows:
      - Jeffrey Heser and Mike Markovics – 38 yes and 1 no

Old Business:
  - The rescheduled date for the Families Helping Families Gala is Saturday, February 29, 2020
    - Help is needed selling tickets, getting auction items, set up, clean up and assistance during the event
    - This gala benefits both Families Helping Families and the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department
New Business:
- Anyone interested in taking either FF1 or FF2 see Chief Manware:
  - Westfield Fire Department is hosting FF1
  - Old Saybrook Fire Department is hosting FF2 – scheduled for Thursdays and some weekends beginning in March

Good of the Department:
- At a dinner hosted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) citations (certificates of appreciation) were presented to veterans of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department
  - The following members were not at the dinner so were presented their citations tonight:
    - Ronald Manware – Army
    - Robert Kyhn – Army
    - David J. Burns – Marine
    - John Battista – Army
    - Clark Young – Army

- A birthday cake was presented to Alexander and Nicholas Cummings

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy McDermott
Clerk