

Crete Fire & Rescue Department

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Department Meeting
January 14, 2025

1900 hours

President Steph Yost called the January 2024 department meeting of the Crete Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department to order at 1900 hours with 27 members in attendance.

Response crews for Medic 11 and Engine 31 were established for the duration of the meeting.

President Yost read the open meeting rules: The Fire & Rescue Department has posted a copy of the open meetings ACT. Laws of the State of Nebraska, in the back of the meeting room, additional copies are available to read. If anyone wishes one during this meeting, please make us aware. As each agenda item is considered, if there are any questions concerning the agenda item, please make us aware of these questions.

There was a motion by Mel to recess meeting for dinner, motion seconded by Landon. Motion carried.

There was a motion by Nikki to resume meeting at 1928, motion seconded by Shane. Motion carried.

Public Comment: There were no members of the public present. There were no comments from the public.

Officers Reports

Chief Tod Allen:

- Nestle did not cover bill for grass rig, only gave a 1,000
 - We need to cover rest of bill, take from gun raffle funds, etc.
- Hospital negotiation happening
 - ALS available if absolutely needed per CVFD request

No other questions for Tod at this time.

Assistant Chief James Yost:

- Saline county mutual aid we are President and in charge of meetings this year
- Gear dryer is broken, 20 day back order for part to fix it
- 13 light issues around the outside rig, took to Danko Jan 14, in service now
- 23 mobile radio set up
- Lifepack – pulse ox reminder to take care of it

No other questions for James at this time.

Fire Captain Harrison Gaman:

- New 2025 Training schedule passed out to members
- TIC guy coming to give us a Demo of a new one
 - All officer seats have TICs on them

No other questions for Harrison at this time.

Fire 1st Lieutenant Preston Zvolonek:

- Absent – Work

No other questions for Preston at this time

Fire 2nd Lieutenant Brandon Smejdir:

- Absent – Work

No other questions for Brandon at this time

Rescue Captain Stephanie Yost:

- Ambulance have new phones with cases now
- Training schedule has some changes on them from past year – take a look
- EMS training last year had 15.5 hrs, this year 17-18hours
 - Look ahead to see if you will miss these hours to make them up
- Shane took and passed NREMT!!!
- EMS supply room – restock correct items
- Paperwork finished within 72 hours (per state regulation)
- Monthly rig check – take ownership in rig check
 - Trial taking ownership in a rig for a month?

No other questions for Steph at this time.

Rescue 1st Lieutenant Nikki Wells:

- Set up order with “Hero 247” – coats, sweatshirts, half-zips, jackets, etc. (product can be personalized)
 - Match colors with what the station decides
 - Members are interested in ordering this type of apparel

No other questions for Nikki at this time.

Rescue 2nd Lieutenant Marvin Barlow:

- Nothing at this time

No other questions for Marvin at this time.

Ambulance Administrator Nikki Wells:

- Cody (associated member) will be off of our roster due to work/life changes
- Computer arm GONE, we are getting a custom one that will fit the rig and work more effectively if agreed with members
- There was a motion by James to by the computer arm, motion seconded by Tod. Motion carried.

No other questions for Nikki at this time.

Secretary Tiffany:

- Nothing at this time

No other questions for Tiffany at this time.

Treasurer Courtney Marcelino:

- Memorial donations 2024 – 5,645
- Other donations 2024 – 23,052

No other questions for Courtney at this time.

Vice President William DeHart:

- Nothing at this time.

No other questions for Will at this time.

President Steph Yost:

- Committee list completed and passed to members

No other questions for Steph at this time.

Committee Reports

Executive and Planning Committee:

Investment/Scholarship Committee:

Nominating Committee:

Community Education Committee:

Football Committee:

Buildings and Grounds and Truck Committee:

Memorial Committee:

Auditing/Bylaws Committee:

Kitchen Committee:

Activities Committee:

Annual BBQ/Gun Raffle:

- Jan. 20th meeting with County board to see their decision with our requests

Halloween Activities:

Holiday Party:

Dinner Dance:

- Feb. 22, 2024. Food at 1800
- Sober squad sign-up sheet, let Mel know if you are interested
- Vote for Dinner Dance award nominations – passed out sheet to members, Turn into James
- Sign up sheet for attendance passed out to members

Consent Agenda

Department Meeting Minutes

There was a motion by Donny to accept the December 2024 meeting minutes with no amendment, motion seconded by Shane. Motion carried.

Claims and Receipts

<u>Claim #</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Card	Spectrum	Wifi	\$129.99
Card	Weathertech	Seat Covers	\$311.64
Card	Amazon	Red bags, thermometers, CO detector	\$514.05
Card	Walmart	December Meeting Meal	\$419.66
6292	William Dehart	Sectrary half of 2024	\$75.00
6293	9th St Bar and Grill	Prime Ribs	\$578.62
Card	National Registry	Shane Parker	\$104.00
Total			\$2,132.96

Treasurer Marcelino presented the monthly claims to the membership. There was a motion by Todd to accept the claims with no amendment, motion seconded by Luke. Motion carried.

<u>Receipt #</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4070	Larry and Phyllis Niebuhr	Memorial Donation	\$10.00
4071	Cynthia Wanek	Memorial Donation	\$50.00
4072	Nestle Purina	Donation	\$1,000.00
4074	Interest Income	December Interest	\$4.32
4073	Sarah Brown	Donation	\$100.00
Total			\$1,164.32

Treasurer Marcelino presented the monthly receipts to the membership. There was a motion by Donny to accept the claims with no amendment, motion seconded by Mel. Motion carried.

Communications

- Cindy Wanek, In memory of Shirley Drevo thanking us for our service
- Ken and Sarah Brow & Charlotte and Sawyer, Thanking us for what we do and we are heros

Secretary Carnahan read the following communications received by the department to the body.

After reading of the communications, there was a motion by Shane to place the communications on file, motion seconded by Kaidan. Motion carried.

Old Business

- No old business

New Business

- Projector on its last leg, smart board no one knows how to use
 - Do we want a big flat screen to replace it, will allow for better training, clearer images, user friendly, etc.
 - Members agreed to look at pricing and see what is in the budget

Special Order of Business

22 members allowed to vote

- A. 10% Members allow to explain why they are under 10%
 - a. Courtney – declared she was in school full-time while working full-time as well, no longer in school anymore and passed her RN test, yay. Voting moved to
 - i. There was a motion by Nikki to move to voting, motion seconded by Dalton. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to keep Courtney M to remain as a full-time member
 - b. Luke – Personal reasons
 - i. There was a motion by Tod to move to voting, motion seconded by Mel. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to keep Luke as a full-time member
 - c. Henry – Working out of state, hoping to get EMT this year
 - i. There was a motion by Elayne to move to voting, motion seconded by Mel. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to keep Henry as a full-time member
- B. New 6-month Probationary Vote on
 - a. Elijah Clark
 - i. There was a motion by Nikki to move to voting, motion seconded by Donny. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to extend probation by 3 months for Elijah Clark
 - b. Jeff Downs –
 - i. There was a motion by Donny to move to voting, motion seconded by Brad. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to extend probation by 3 months for Jeff Downs
 - c. Dalton Steelman –
 - i. There was a motion by Shane to move to voting, motion seconded by Brad. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to extend probation by 3 months for Dalton Steelman
 - d. Jordan Kwathowski –
 - i. There was a motion by Kaidan to move to voting, motion seconded by Brad. Motion carried.
 - ii. Voting moved to extend probation by 3 months for Jordan Kwathowski
- C. Charges brought against Karson Cowan
 - a. Karson opportunity to speak
 - b. Marvin Committee report given
 - i. Recommendation to send back to officers for recommendation of disciplinary action with the notion that the committee had a recommendation that was read to members
 - ii. There was a motion by Shane to proceed to ballot, motion seconded by Mel. Motion carried.
 - iii. Voting moved to accept committee recommendation to move disciplinary action to officers meeting for the charges brought against Karson Cowan

After raising the question of any other business, and hearing none, there was a motion by Gordon to adjourn meeting at 2047 hours, motion seconded by Shane. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 2047 hours.

Steph Yost

President Steph Yost

Tiffany Carnahan

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