



**FRIENDS OF TOWNSEND FIRE  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024  
9:30 a.m.**

**Location:** Townsend Fire Department Meeting Room

**Attendees:** Duane Bann                      Dacon Franzen                      Deb Franzen                      Joe Heyrman  
Terri Heyrman                      Chuck DeMoulin                      Pam DeMoulin                      Michelle Grobe  
Dee Johnson                      Roberta Glisczinski                      Dean Vander Heiden                      Linda Adamczyk  
Ray Schiefen

Vice Chairperson Joe Heyrman called the meeting of the Friends of Townsend Fire Membership to order at 9:30 a.m.

Some members didn't receive the minutes from last meeting, so the approval of the August 17, 2024 meeting will need to be approved at the October 19, 2024 meeting

**New Member**

Pam DeMoulin

**Fire Department Open House/Chili cook off**

- 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Many great events (fire fighter meet & greet, fire extinguisher training, smoke house, K-9 demonstration, and much more)
- Cookies and water will be served
- Don't want to compete with Chili Cook-off they are raising funds for Food Pantry.
- Long Branch having an event for the Humane Society on that day

**Update on Sparky Costume**

- October delivery
- NFC Credits helped pay for costume, FOTF paid remaining amount \$250

**Website**

- Online apparel purchase delivery shipping charges have been resolved for pickups
- Usage stats going up
- Working on getting Signup Genie for events
- Still working on donation button

**Grant Writing – Ray Scheifen**

- October 17<sup>th</sup> 11:00 next meeting, place to be determined
- Develop list of 100 foundations that offer grants to match to Dawn's wish list
- Currently has 12 or 15 potentials
- Most of the foundations we are looking at are private

**Financial Report- Deb Franzen**

- In process of writing budgeting program
- No Fall raffle, sticking to spring & summer (July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration)
- Wives of Townsend Fire is officially done
- Money in CD for final balloon payment for new fire truck



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**Can Recycling**

- \$515 for last run getting \$.50 a pound
- Bins are getting full so will be looking to do a run when Kevin returns from vacation
- Van door has been repaired
- If anyone is interested in being a driver let Deb or Dacon know

**Lighting Contest/Tree Lighting – Chuck DeMoulin**

- Secured 15 Christmas trees for decorating
- Have FOTF sponsor & organize adopt a tree program, Joe will set up meeting
- Local businesses or individuals would adopt a tree and decorate
- Mission of the trees is community togetherness
- Community Events Committee will be responsible for residential/business lighting competition & lighting ceremony
- Lighting event to held December 1<sup>st</sup>

**Fire Department Purchases**

- Turbo Draft
- Halligan Forcible Entry Tool
- Console organizer for new engine
- Roll up door pull strips

**Fire Department Improvements/Town Hall**

- New flooring throughout
- Help with clean out so we can get flooring completed
- Trucks will have to be outside for an extended period

**Firefighter Memorial Plaques**

- Anita will be working with Linda Ziegler to ensure the design will match new town hall

**Other Business**

- Lake Tomahawk Fire Department set up go fund me for member who was involved in head-on collusion on Hwy 32. Deacon would like FOTF to consider a donation.
- Do not forget to check out the FOTF Facebook page, website, and online store.

**Future Meeting Dates:**

All membership meetings will be on the third Saturday of the month at the Townsend Fire Department meeting room at 9:30 a.m.

October 19, 2024	December 21, 2024	September 21, 2024
November 16, 2024	January 18, 2025	

Motion to adjourn meeting by Terri Heyrman seconded by, Deb Franzen, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

The meeting minutes are the interpretation of the writer.

Respectfully Submitted – Terri Heyrman, Member