

COLCHESTER HAYWARD FIRE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY OFFICERS MEETING
November 9, 2015 1900 hours

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chief Cox, 1st AC McKenna, 2nd AC Giudice, Capt Rowland, Capt Jones, Capt. Babineau, Lt. Howard, Eng. Babineau
DC Lee – on vacation
Rosemary Coyle, BOS FD Liaison, Jim McNair – BOF FD Liaison

Called to Order: 1900 hours –

Approval of Minutes: October 5, 2015 Motion to approve by, 2nd AC McKenna. Seconded by 2nd AC Giudice,

Citizen's Comments: . Jim McNair – status of ET 328 – will wait for further discussion

Budget issues: 46390 – last month – was at 50%, now w/ ET 328 (1988) issues – est. repair \$12 - 13,000, complete pump rebuild. Under purchasing policy for emergency purchases – First Selectman approved repair, after consulting BOF-On list of capital improvements for lease purchases. Ambulance -out of service this week. On agenda for 11/18 to discuss budget and need for upcoming purchase of 2 ambulances.
McNair – has it ever been discussed to accelerate the CIP list by a year? – Some discussion needed. Purchased windshield cutters w/ portable battery packs.

Career / Staff Personnel:

Training - condemning flash over simulator. In CIP but will suspend use.

Member in FFI training – dropped from course for lack of attendance. Day time trainings listed on calendar. Confined space course to be investigated. E. Hampton FD personnel may wish to be included.

Franklin Mill drill this Sunday. NFIRS reporting rep will be here Tuesday 11/10.

EMS: Capt Babineau – Chief reviewed modems in each ambulance. Lap tops are slow. Med radios are working sporadically w/ mic. Could be switch issue. Capt Rowland suggested it be disconnected. J. Walsh – arranged for a chest compression unit. Account set up to purchase one. Marlborough 11/15 to be set up as a live dedicated stroke center. Closet under stairs cleaned out. Found old/ moldy / dry rotted things – authorized to throw away. Pulled out mix-matched gear – could go to new EMS members. 15 jump suits – mix-matched. Conversation to outfit EMS crew, like fire crew. Standard outfit? Don Lee researched. USAR style in tan, or EMS in blue (est. \$1500 per set). Cpt. Babineau – for R3 calls, etc – should be kept w/ member. – 2nd AC Giudice said he would work w/ Cpt. Babineau to develop a standard for USAR gear, pricing. Several members need boots. She will get quotes, give to 2nd AC Giudice.
No Gear bags on hand.
Med Control – suggestion : switch from Backus to Middlesex. Middlesex does not currently do PGL.(?) Having a coordinator on staff is a plus also. No pro or con to license R1 vehicles – if EMS grant funding available - \$ could increase.
Narcan skill – only a handful of people who need training. CO meters must be turned on going into homes during winter.
Ambulance crews check list. How can it be enforced?

Captain Reports:

Capt. Papp – Fire – bunker gear to be ordered. Jean will provide Cpt. Papp spread sheet.

A lot of gear needs to be repaired – estimate and PO to be provided.

Capt. Jones –Fire Police – TIMS class done. FP to help w/ Frosty Fair 11/14. Vests to be ordered.

Capt. Rowland – Health & Safety – physicals – overdue letters. Mask fit testing – physicals must be done before mask fit test-Was usually completed by EOM November. Tested new windshield cutters (nippers) – good product-Does not throw a spark. Will use IAM RESPONDING to send physical (medical exam) notifications.

Chief Officers:

2AC Giudice : one member who has not returned equipment will be addressed legally.

1 AC McKenna: will be putting out survey to members re: advancement desires or issues for feedback to stimulate engineers into officers.

DC Lee: on vacation

Chief Cox: Service 328/ corrosion spray/ was out of service this past weekend. Fire Prevention Week - thank you/ went well. Thanks for Jenny Contois wake/funeral attendance

1706 calls by 10/1/15. Wed 11/11 Veterans Day.

RFP – dispatch service opens Thursday 11/12

Strategic plan still on going

Tax Abatement list going to town hall tomorrow.

Dave Barnes – BOS asked them to present issue to BOF (tax abatement for life members)- Needs a time of service list.

Cpt. Jones announced Reverend Dole is home, would appreciate visitors.

President Martin: absent

Motion to adjourn: @ 8:05 pm hrs- Motion to made by: 1st AC McKenna, seconded by 2AC Giudice.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Walsh