# COLCHESTER HAYWARD FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY OFFICERS MEETING June 8, 2015 1900 hours

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chief Cox, DC Lee, 2AC Giudice, Capt Papp, Capt. Babineau, Capt. Jones, Lt. Howard Eng. Babineau,

Rosemary Coyle, BOS, James McNair - BOF

Called to Order: 1900 hours

Approval of Minutes: error: R.Guidice should be EMS Lt - career staff

DC Lee moved to accept as amended 2<sup>nd</sup> by 2AC Paul Giudice.

## Citizen's Comments: none

**Budget issues:** fiscal yr 2016, passed town side. BOE referendum 6/23 w/ WJMS 6/16 referendum vote. Encourage all to vote. Last week we reviewed remaining budget. Vehicle repair exceeds current budget by \$7500 \*\* mostly ambulances. A- 528 still out of service. DC Lee contacted KX to authorize them to begin other ambulance service (ems response- if needed)

<u>Career / Staff Personnel:</u> want to thank everyone for Memorial Day events: parade, grave side event. Past week 2 significant fires – thank you for participation.

<u>Training</u> - P.Giudice – looking into prerequisites to enter FF1 – with testing site to be moved here. Question – should there be some kind of prerequisite to enter EMS. Open for discussion – Should we also include a cognitive pre-test prior to enrolling in Fire Schools. American Ambulance may have an agility test prior to hiring.

- Lots of training scheduled. Schuster Park booked. Opportunities have been available. M.Pinault should be added to calendar . 6/11 – confined space, metering on

**EMS:** Capt Babineau – local plan processed, signed off by 1<sup>st</sup> selectman & president of company. State contact was presented w/ document. New tough book here.

Renewal application for Heart Safe went in for next 3 yr.

New ambulance committee established. Conversation w/ BOS took place to see if it is possible to get 2 new ambulances due to multiple issues.

Tag Sale on green – cadets to set up? Ems coverage. Volunteer & recruitment info to be present. Flag burning on green after tag sale.

## Captain Reports:

<u>Capt. Papp – Fire</u> – thermal imaging camera – being repaired. Looking into buying one.

Capt. Jones - Fire Police - nothing to report

Capt. Rowland - Health & Safety - On vacation

## **Chief Officers:**

<u>2AC Giudice</u> – Dave Langdon – no cadets for fund raiser on Tag Sale on Green. Rescue 1 – requested piece to go to Chief's show – Friday and Saturday. Building: lights in front and rear. Being worked-on

1 AC McKenna: - not present

<u>DC Lee</u>: antennas on building for door openers due in. NFPA – new concern re: hybrid vehicles. Battery area found to combust. These vehicles are known to take 2700 gallons to put out. Be ready w/hose for rapid extrication. 18 student guides ordered. Buses – hybrid – new buses have batteries in roof system.

## Chief Cox: .

SCBA units in upstairs storage room have been disposed of -10 yrs old, unusable. Need to look at gear room also. ET228 – repairs – everything is fixed. ET128 fixed on road – sensor ripped off. Company 1 – rear paving to be done next week– due to donation.

911 – Consolidation may have ground to a halt. Montville meeting tonight to make it official. Consolidation may not work. Contingency conversations taking place w/ other entities. 1) if KX Dispatch fails to operate – short term response, and long term dispatch solution are being discussed with the 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman.

KX has provided service to us since 1976.

<u>President Martin</u>: Thanks to all who turned out w/ grave side visitation, veterans green ceremony, and parade.

Motion to adjourn: @ 19:30 hrs- Motion to made by: - 2 AC Giudice, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DC Lee.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Walsh