

COLCHESTER HAYWARD FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY OFFICERS MEETING

MONDAY APRIL 11, 2016 1900 HOURS

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Called to order: 7:10 pm (medical call just ending)

Members Present: Chief Cox, DC Lee, 1st AC Guidice, 2nd AC McKenna, Cpt. Jones, Cpt. Babineau, Cpt. Rowland, Eng Fuller, Eng Babineau, President Gordon, VP Miraglia, Eng Albert

TOWN CLERK

Approval of minutes: minutes from 3/7/16. Correction – Dan Rowland retirement should be 6/30/16. Capt. Jones name was omitted in error. He was in attendance.

Motioned to approve as amended 2nd by 2nd AC McKenna. 2nd by DC Lee. Approved.

Citizens Comments: Knox box waiting to get programmed in vehicles. D. Barnes – ambulance shifts and trucks not having full crews after the call. Can something be done to get more volunteers to stick around to put vehicles back together. To be discussed below. Mold – RFP is due to be posted.

Budget Issues: in last qtr of fiscal yr. Big line item in red is vehicle repairs – currently showing (\$6000). ET128 at Greenwood, back at garage for cab work, - ET428 OOS for piping issue – back on line. Engine issue for U128 - back on line

BOF approved proposed budget to go forward. -5/10 budget referendum, vote 4/21 to go forward.

Career / Staff Personnel: Captain Rowland – retirement 6/30/17. Hired 1976. Want to acknowledge the contributions to the town and organization. Royce Knowles on vacation.

FP LT J. Knapp – will be resigning LT position 4/12/16 for vacation of 4+ months. Motion : D Lee, 2nd K McKenna

Bob Russell submitted letter of intent – motion to fill – McKenna / 2nd Guidice. -Will be appointed in as Fire Police LT.

Copies of recap of ambulance service justification that had been submitted to BOF. Conclusion – even w/ need to purchase new ambulance every few yr. privatizing the service still comes w/ a costs to the town. Very cost effective service.

Ex-member vehicle w/ family member driving caused damage, but no one was hurt. CHFVD plate was removed. Police were involved.

How to get people to come to initial tone – not just sign in: AC Guidice suggested the solution be brought forward from the members. D.Barnes suggested the officers enforce the rules. OIC/lead tech has right to deny credit of point to anyone just signing in if the member did not contribute to call or clean up, etc. This rule must be exercised carefully, and documented to be enforced. Chief suggested a narrative be included on run form. M.Miraglia suggested the problem should be discussed w/ a solution not just a punishment for the action. DC Lee – said 3% of members doing 90% of work. Issue to be discussed at monthly meeting.

Training: Thurs - 4/14/16 Live fire training. Building to be welded before 8:00 this Thursday. E. Haddam Cert / S. Killingly insurance certs to come. Per Diem to coverage for day staff. SB 3 hrs.

Changed request sheet for outside training sheet. Inst II pushed to Sept., Fuller Rescue Core – wait listed, incident safety officer class - 3 dy class. Maybe in May \$1300-1800 per course. Officer development courses being offered. Signal 54 class this yr or next yr (\$400)? ISO – training being entered.

Regional schools : E. Ct Fire School – set to be built – Governor holding bond commission from issuing \$. Additional 50% funding cut. Unsure of which schools will still be open. FFI– could go to \$800-\$1500. Could be prudent to hire someone to teach class here. FFI 260 hrs.

EMS: Captain Babineau: 5/7 Salmon River Rd race – will provide gator. R Guidice trying to set up fittings for duty attire. Turn out gear resource has not contacted RG. (which vendor?) new vendors need training.

Chief reported: Lion’s Club – applied for a grant for Narcan, and Narcan will providing a rebate. They also provided a small “emergency bag” for people in need.

Fire: Captain Papp: AC Guidice reported - ?? on old SCBA logs on rigs – not being used. Should that be re-instated? YES – to track potential exposure of members. RED Master log book in SCBA room. Can’t service packs at Comp. 2. Has to come back here. ET4 generator being rebuilt off truck. Fuel tank rotted. Ladder 1 know box. Programming to be done before Knapp goes on vacation. ET1 has electric positive fan, and electric negative fan - does it need to be carried here since it is on ladder and rescue too. Can it be removed to make room for other equipment? CONSENSUS – ventilation IMPORTANT

Police: Captain Jones: nothing to report. Bob Russell is new LT for FP

Health & Safety: Captain Rowland – physicals ok. J Hornish – gone, Glemboski – new, Kupper – new, Lemsin – sr member – may have resigned, Luster – new fire, Lyons – cadet still, Rondinone – resigned, Blackman – unknown. Load of laundry – no soap – to be gotten tomorrow.

Chief Officers:

DC Lee: QV – CEC negotiations still on going. SMART CAD responses have been rebuilt. QV has zone system vs streets. Alarms will go out to 4th alarm responses. Comstock Bridge example – is now zone (different response back ups). RIT / ladder built out to 5, 3 medics , 10 tankers on level 2. Working fires auto 2nd alarm. Automatic task force notification on 2nd alarm w/ county coordinator.

Alpha – numeric – 14 zones in Colchester. New communication policy – very disciplined. Will have classes for plain language. ?? Med patches? Still being worked on. Marlborough is in Hartford County – region 3, going to 4590.

Strategic plan moving forward.

2nd Chief McKenna: Rivereast smoke detector ad? NFIRS ok. Bacon mock car crash is now 5/26/16.

1st AC Guidice: cadet advisors have finalized policy for dept. To be brought forward after member meeting.

Chief Cox: QV road trip Saturday a.m. 4/30 8 -11:00 a.m. Smoke detectors / CO detectors for seniors. Program is in effect w/ Fire Marshal. 2nd floor is neat. Thanks to all who helped.

President Gordon: Are we ready for J.Knapp’s vacation? Yes – Mario – town IT is involved. ?? Yes; Is associate wants to come back as member – must go thru member meeting. Fisherman’s breakfast – went well.

Adjourn: motion by 8:45 pm - DC Lee, 2nd 1st AC Guidice