



Greenfield Fire Department

P.O. Box 146, Greenfield, NH 03047
547-3501

Meeting Minutes July 11, 2016

P	E	A	Member	P	E	A	Member	P	E	A	Member
X			1 Chaz Babb Lieut.	X			10 Eugene Hennessey	X			19 David Simmons
X			2 Doug Batty, Lieut.			X	11 Brian Hesseltine				20 Ariel Temple
X			3 Caleb Black	X			12 Dylan Jones	X			21 Anna Voglino
X			4 Chris Borden	X			13 Jeff LaCourse, Dep.		X		22 Tyler Chilleli
X			5 Michael Borden, Capt.	X			14 Alex Lange, Capt.		X		23 Emily Nichelson
X			6 Dawn Decosta-Gallo			X	15 Moto Maguire				
X			7 Kelsea Dubey	X			16 Dave Martin, EMD				
X			8 Jason Duval, Lieut.		X		17 Ryan Patterson, Capt.				
X			9 David Hall, Chief		X		18 Cameron Robidoux				

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 18:35

2. Due to some reorganization, the last month's minutes weren't ready but Chief Hall will send them out shortly.

3. **ATTENDANCE:** See list above.

4. **VISITORS:** None

5. **NEW APPLICANTS:** None

6. APPARATUS REPORTS:

- **13 Rescue 1: In Service:** Emergency light is out on the driver's side, left front tire down to wear bar.
- **13 Engine 3: In Service:** Indicator light still out
- **13 Tanker 1: In Service:** All good
- **13 Ladder 1:** Not in service yet
- **13 Brush 1: In Service:** All good
- **13 Utility 1: In Service:** All good
- **13 Boat 1: In Service:** All good – Chief Hall said that he would like to get the boat in the water soon since there hasn't been a chance to do so this year.

6. DRILLS, MEETINGS, TRAININGS & OTHER:

- **Rescue Training:** July 12th – all hands recommended to come – Driver safety – the Chief is teaching
- **Fire Training:** Two dates: July 19th – TBA & July 27th – TBA
- **Other Training Opportunities:** There should be an EMT class this fall. Those that are interested are: Dylan Jones, Cpt. Borden, Chris Borden, Lt. Babb, Dave Simmons, Dave Martin

8. OLD BUSINESS:



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- There was a reminder that we do have Sunday Morning Church at GFD 9 am to 11 am. Open to all members who can attend.
- Fire Training Building Committee: Chief Hall is planning to go to Springfield to see that building. He asked the Monadnock Area Fire Chief's Association (MAFCA) what they would like to see incorporated in the building. Area Fire Depts. will help with operating costs and as such should have input on the design of the facility. GFD reserves the right to control the building.
- Grant Writing: Lt. Batty said the next grant round is coming up. He wants to know what to apply for. Chief Hall, Dep. LaCourse, and Lt. Batty will discuss this later this week.
- GAP Insurance: Louise Gryval said that she has most of the applications and is getting Cpt. Lange's tonight.
- Spotted Dog program: The Chief asked members to send Cpt. Patterson their info so that he can start implementing the FREE plan. Cpt. Borden said that he likes it so far. He said that the phone will tone you out. Lt. Babb said that you get three things, phone, text, and tone. Lt. Duval said he likes it a lot. The program is huge with a lot of capabilities.
- 225th Anniversary: The Chief said that we didn't have a color guard to march in the parade because we didn't have enough people. Some residents were concerned about us marching but the Chief told them that we have priorities, we are a lot more concerned with covering calls than marching in parades. The Chief asked if we made any money at the 225th. Chris Borden said not much, just \$139.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:** There is a form sitting in the rescue truck for keeping track of vitals after people have been training in a building. By doing this, we'll have a base line on everyone. Also, the rescue truck has an inventory list which will be checked once a week.

Chief Hall said that now all vehicles have an officer assigned to each one. They are:

Rescue - Cpt. Lange and Lt. Batty

Engine 3 – Cpt. Patterson

Tanker – Cpt. Borden

Ladder – Lt. Babb

Brush – Lt. Duval

Utility – EMD Dave Martin

Boat – Cpt. Borden & Dawn DeCosta Gallo

Dep. LaCourse is now the Quartermaster in charge of issuing and tracking equipment from the Gear Locker. If you need turnout, uniforms, jackets, etc... please see Deputy LaCourse.

The Chief is in charge of everything else.

Cpt. Borden asked for a throwable buoy for the boat. It's never had one and it should.

Dep. LaCourse researched Simple Green and found that it makes the valves on the airpack masks stick. Dawn dish liquid does a better job.

Cpt. Lange says we need to train more on rescue CPR.

The Chief asked if KMA's texts are getting through. If not, then he needs to follow up. Most said that there were.

The Chief said that Al Burtt is moving out of his house and may need some help. Al gave the department 15 years of solid service and the Chief asked if anyone would help if needed. Many hands were raised.



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Dep. LaCourse said that if we are at church and there is something inside that needs to get done versus outside, then inside takes precedence.

The Chief said that the wood sales are doing well. The 4th of July weekend netted \$507+ and last weekend about \$190.

Karen asked if the Chief would be doing an in-house training tonight. The Chief said that he's had too much to do of late but will continue with the "20 minute fire trainings" in the fall.

Chief Hall asked Karen Day and Louise Gryval to step out of the meeting for a few minutes. The Chief explained that Karen and Louise were doing a tremendous amount of administrative work for the department, freeing up valuable time for the members to focus on training and calls. The Chief made a motion to vote Karen & Louise onto the department as full members, not as line providers but in staff positions. A brief discussion followed as to what a good idea this was to recognize their effort. Dep. LaCourse seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor. Welcome and thank you Karen and Louise!

At this time, the Chief gave out paychecks to those that hadn't gotten them.

Dave Simmons showed a small bottle of saline (30 ml) that he got from Dawn. These can be used to clean out small wounds rather than open a large bottle that will only have to be thrown away because it has been opened. He asked if we could get a number of small bottles to put on the rescue truck. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea.

Chief Hall showed a FLIR thermal imaging camera that he had ordered. If he had had one at the Lake View Circle fire, it would have been much better. He would have been able to identify the source of the fire through the dense smoke much quicker than he did and possibly locate the dog that perished. He wants to begin training with this and if we like it, we'll try to get another. The price has fallen in recent years making them much more affordable. Lt. Batty knows people at FLIR. He thinks he might be able to get another one for free.

Dave Martin suggested that this might be good to put into our grant application. Lt. Batty will look into this. The Chief would like to have a half dozen of these for everyone's use. Dep. LaCourse likes that they attach easily with a carabineer and only weigh 1.5 lbs.

There was a motion to adjourn that was seconded at 19:38.

10. Dinner volunteers for AUGUST:

Next Business Meeting: Monday, August 1st, 18:30 at GFD.

11. MEETING ADJOURNED:

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Day, Administrative Assistant