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Board of Fire Engineers Board, Committee, Office, Etc.

Date: May 22, 2017 Time: 7:00 P.M.
Present: Chief Hamilton, Deputy Chief Rudge, Asst. Chief Gasco,
Asst. Chief Piscitelli, Asst. Chief Silver
Absent: None

Minutes from May 15, 2017 were approved. Invoices were signed. Mail was read. Account balances were reviewed.

REPLACEMENT OF FORESTRY 1

Board members discussed purchasing a replacement for Forestry 1. Through a random phone call, the Board was made aware of a 2001 Ford F350 that is available. It was previously used as a brush truck, and is in "showroom condition" with 26,000 miles. The seller is asking \$24,000. It was brought to Station 3 for all members to inspect. Discussion took place. Deputy Chief Rudge said this was a good find and should serve us well. He prefers a new truck but since its main purpose is in the woods, he felt the Board should move forward. Asst. Chief Gasco had some questions and would like to see a brush bar installed on the front at some point. Asst. Chief Silver made a motion to request a transfer of funds from the Salary-All Other account to the Capital Outlay account to purchase the truck contingent upon approval from the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Piscitelli and carried on a 5-0 vote. Chief Hamilton will follow up with the Selectmen and Finance Committee.

POLICY FOR APPOINTMENT OF REGULAR FIREFIGHTERS

The Board discussed the appointments of the two newest firefighters. Their status needs to be clarified. Are they entitled to be paid for responses they make, are they entitled to retroactive pay once they complete other training, are they regulars or still recruits? Asst. Chief Gasco said he was under the impression that they stay as a recruit until driver and pump training are done. Deputy Chief Rudge paying them a half pay until they complete the training. Asst. Chief Piscitelli said a flat rate should be given until the training is done. Further discussion took place. Deputy Chief Rudge made a motion to amend the motion that was made in June, 2015 as follows: to appoint a recruit as a regular firefighter upon successful completion of a recruit training program approved by the Board of Fire Engineers and to pay them a rate of \$10 per response until he/she completes driver training and pump operations training. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote.

PRE INCIDENT PLANS

The map of CareOne needs to be updated before the PIP can be approved.

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OLD & NEW BUSINESS

- Board members looked over a proposed change to the Fire Department's patch. Asst. Chief Silver would like to see the Maltese Cross on it somewhere. Chief Hamilton will make some revisions and present it again.
- The Board discussed the status of recruits and those with low or no attendance.
- Asst. Chief Gasco will make up a list of body work that needs to be done- especially on Engine 2 & Engine 4.
- Deputy Chief Rudge had a quote to replace the generator at Station 2. David Carpenter Electric quoted a cost of \$6,225. Deputy Chief Rudge then made a motion to accept the quote and replace the generator. This was seconded by Asst. Chief Gasco and carried on a 5-0 vote.
- Asst. Chief Gasco will contact Edd Cote to get pictures done for the photo ID's. Discussion took place. It was agreed to arrange department pictures for June 5, 2017 as long as Edd Cote was available.
- Asst. Chief Piscitelli asked about a gear rack for Station 5. He was told to get some prices for the next meeting.

Asst. Chief Piscitelli made a motion to adjourn at 19:45.


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Regina A. Markey, Head Clerk